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ALJ MELLGREN: Good evening, everyone. We're going to go on the record. And just so everyone knows, we are recording this session so that we can prepare a transcript of this and consider it throughout our proceedings.

My name is John Mellgren. I'm an administrative law judge with the Public Utility Commission of Oregon. It is 6:01 p.m., and we are here for the Public Comment Hearing in PCN 8, which is the docket where the Public Utility Commission of Oregon is going to consider PacifiCorp's petition for what's called the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the Lone Pine to Whetstone Transmission Line Project.

As I mentioned, we're recording this session, and we're going to include a transcript of this in the materials for this case.

Before we begin, I'm going to turn it over to Commission Chair Letha Tawney for some introductory remarks.

Chair Tawney.

CHAIR TAWNEY: Thank you so much, John.

Can you -- oh, there it is. (Indiscernible) microphone.

So I'm Chair Tawney of the Oregon Public Utility Commission, and it's lovely to see you all here on a Wednesday evening, a warm Wednesday evening here in beautiful Medford.

So these hearings are really important to the CPCN process, but they can feel a little strange, because we are listening and learning from you, and that means we're not answering questions. Our job is to take in all the information, your concerns, the analysis that our staff does -- our staff has engineers and economists who will dig into the project and produce a set testimony about whether they think it meets the criteria or not. And we will take all that in, and then we will weigh all the evidence and make a decision.

That means tonight we're really in listening mode, and so we're paying close attention to the issues you're raising, the concerns that you have, the questions that you have. But it can feel really unsatisfying because we don't have answers to your questions. The Company is the one putting forward the project. They're the ones with the answers.

And a lot of what happens here is, as you raise concerns and questions, our staff will take note of them and incorporate them into the analysis.

And I know Judge Mellgren will also talk about other ways for you to be involved.

But I just want to acknowledge that this sort of project really impacts folks' lives, that anytime you're talking about rights of way and condemnation of land, that it's really emotional and really touches people's hearts deeply. And we get that, and that's why we're here to listen. That's why we've come down to Medford, to be with you and listen.

And so even though we can't have a conversation about it, I want you to know that we're taking very seriously what you're raising. And we'll look for it and make sure that those questions are in the record and addressed.

And so we're at the beginning of a long process. And I really encourage you to find ways to stay engaged in the process as we go along. And that fact that it's a long process is a blessing and a curse. It's exhausting. And it also is why it is really important given how thorough it needs to be before we come to a decision.

So thanks so much for taking time on a weeknight. I'm sure there are things you'd rather be doing. And we really appreciate you bringing your thoughts to us and ensuring that we have a really

robust examination and question.

And so I'm going to offer the mic to my colleagues.

COMMISSIONER PERKINS: I think you covered everything that was possible to say.

CHAIR TAWNEY: Sorry.

Okay. All right. So, John, I'll hand it back to you, Judge Mellgren.

ALJ MELLGREN: Okay. Thank you, Chair Tawney. And thanks to Commissioners Perkins and Power.

Before I turn things over to Commission Staff for a brief presentation, I wanted to cover a few things about this docket. First, I also did want to note that the Company, PacifiCorp, does have representatives here that are listening to the comments as well. So please know that you're speaking to the Company as well as the Commissioners here this evening.

And so I mentioned earlier I'm an administrative law judge or an ALJ. And my job is to ensure that these proceedings comply with the law, proceed in a fair manner, and that we develop a robust record to inform the Commissioners' deliberations and decisions on the CPCN petition.

Now, my role is different from Commission Staff, who you'll be hearing from in a

little bit. They are parties to this case, just like the utility is and just like any of you could be, or any person or business or other entity could become a party to this case.

But my job is an independent one, and I'm here to ensure the process is fair, that we comply with the law, and that everyone can participate here.

So, now, PacifiCorp filed this petition for a CPCN back in March of this year. And this started what's called a contested case process before the Commission. And it's called PCN 8, as I mentioned earlier.

This is a formal trial-type proceeding where there are parties that file evidence, there's expert testimony, and they make arguments, as you would in court, to inform the Commission's decision on whether to grant the petition.

If the Commission grants the CPCN -- (indiscernible).

PacifiCorp can use it as conclusive evidence in court during condemnation proceedings to show that the transmission line is of public use and necessary for public convenience. Importantly, the Commission's decision here does not condemn land. It does not grant the utility a property right in anyone's

land. And it does not decide compensation related to any land condemnation. The Commission's decision does not even mean that the transmission line will be constructed. It is just one required government agency decision in the process.

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In April 2025, I held what's called a prehearing conference, and we set a procedural schedule for this docket. And on the screen, I have a few highlights of upcoming events.

On July 22nd, we have another public comment hearing by Zoom. The 24th is the requested public comment deadline. And July 31st is the requested petition to intervene deadline. And I'll talk about what those mean in a little bit. Those are some upcoming dates.

And in the packet that was on the table right outside of the door it included the entire procedural schedule and some information on how to participate as well so that you can bring that with you tonight. All this information is also available on the Commission's website.

So if you are a potentially affected landowner, you should have received a letter in the mail from the chief administrative law judge, Alison

Lackey, which is outside on the table if you didn't get one in the mail or you don't have it with you. And it has all this information in it.

If we can go to the next slide, please.

So if you are interested in becoming a party in this proceeding, it does come with responsibilities to participate in the process, to comply with the procedural schedule. You can make discovery requests of the Company, but they can also make discovery requests of you, and you need to respond to those. It's like participating in civil litigation in a sense.

We ask that you submit a petition to intervene -- you have to ask permission to become a party. We ask that you do that by the end of July, July 31st, so that you have full time to participate in the process and all the upcoming deadlines.

I know it sounds intimidating. We do have sample petitions to intervene on our website, and you can also contact this email address here, puc.hearings@puc.oregon.gov, or give them a call, and they can also help direct you to how to find that information and how to participate in our processes.

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If you just wish to submit a written

comment on the proposal, we ask that you submit it by July 24th so that it can be fully used by Staff and other parties in the proceeding for their testimony.

And up on the screen, we have a list of ways to participate or how you can submit those comments, whether by phone, website form, email, or U.S. mail. All that information is in the letter that's out on the table as well, so you don't have to write all that down.

And I also want to mention every filing in this case is going to go on the Commission's website. We have a thing called eDockets on the website, and you can search for "PCN 8." Every single document that's been filed is available there. The original petition from PacifiCorp is on there. Their opening testimony, which describes their justification for the project, that's all there. So you can review it along with detailed maps and other required components of their petition.

And instructions on how to find that on our website is, again, in that letter on the table.

So lastly, next slide, I wanted to note that in June of 2025, Governor Kotek signed House Bill 3681 into law, which changes the standard that the Commission applies to decisions on Certificates for

Public Convenience and Necessity. And this law goes into effect on January 1st, 2026, which is right in the middle of the schedule in this case. And so because the Commission is anticipating making a decision in early 2026, this new law will apply to that decision.

And what this means exactly for this case has not been resolved. This just happened last month, and there is going to be discussion in this case about how that applies and what that might mean for this case. So we can't explain more about that now.

If we go to the next slide, please, Ellie.

This is what the new law says. And so to determine if a proposed transmission line is a public use and necessary for public convenience, the Commission is going to consider whether the proposed transmission line meets a need for increased transmission capacity and reliability in the electric grid.

And so this case is going to be the first time that the Commission interprets this brand-new law from just a few weeks ago.

And so, as I mentioned, there's currently a motion from PacifiCorp requesting to clarify what this might mean in this case. And so that

is something the Commission will be addressing soon.

And now I'm going to turn things over to Eric Shierman with Commission Staff for a brief presentation.

MR. SHIERMAN: Good evening. My name is Eric Shierman. I'm a senior utility analyst in the Energy Resources and Planning Division, and I'm joined by J.P. Batmale, my division administrator, and Yassir Rashid. He's an engineer and a senior utility analyst in the PUC's Utility, Safety, Reliability, and Security Division.

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Yassir will provide an overview of PacifiCorp's proposed transmission line.

MR. RASHID: Hello, everyone. My name is Yassir Rashid. I'm an electrical engineer with the Safety, Reliability, and Security Division of the Commission. And I will be reviewing the engineering aspects of the project and testify on that.

So a brief summary about my description of the project. It is a transmission line rated at (indiscernible). It runs 11 and a half miles between Lone Pine Substation and Whetstone Substation. And it goes through a route that the Company has developed after looking into different options.

So the Company identified the need for this line in 2017. And the Company said that it has run many studies to confirm the extent of the problems that would face reliability (indiscernible) if this line was not built.

So the most recent study was conducted in February 2025. It's a (indiscernible)-flow analysis. And that analysis concluded that the line was necessary based on the Company's assessment.

So the Company, in its assessment, she modeled many scenarios to figure out how that line would go between these two substations. And also, it studied how the line -- the absence of the line can affect the reliability of this region. And basically, the conclusion of the Company that we need this line to ensure reliability for -- for the region. Because if the line is not built, reliability is not (indiscernible).

Also, building this line is required by federal regulations. So the Company made studies to make sure that it would comply with these regulations and also concluded that the line is necessary. If the Company doesn't meet those federal regulations, then penalties would be imposed on the Company.

So the Company also conducted route

analysis, how the line is going to go between the two substations. And it considered five corridors where the line would be built, and narrowed that down to two alternatives. And in the end, the Company -- these are the two alternatives depicted in this map: the one in purple and the one in orange. And between these two alternatives, the Company came up with a proposed route that would ultimately fit the criteria that they need. And it is in the next slide.

The Company is going to do this line into different structures that look similar to the structures that are already -- you see here in this area. And it is depicted in the next slide.

So it's going to be like single (indiscernible) poles with single-circuit, double-circuit, have edge frames. So it's going to look very similar to what you see in -- on the next slide.

I will turn it back to Eric.

MR. SHIERMAN: Thank you.

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So what is our role as PUC Staff?

Ultimately, Staff is a party in this pursuit. We will analyze the Company's filing, request more information as needed, file our own testimony, and review other parties' testimony. This is all in an

effort to make an independent assessment of the need for this transmission line.

We also listen to and review all public comments and use them to inform our investigation. We include public comments in our testimony so they will be a part of the record of this case.

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So in conclusion, the Commission will base its decision on whether the proposed transmission line meets a need for increased transmission capacity and reliability in the electric grid.

We offer several ways as an agency for you to provide your input. PUC Staff is a party in the case, advocating on behalf of the public interest. We will -- we will be available after the public comment hearing to answer any questions you may have for us.

Thank you.

Judge Mellgren.

ALJ MELLGREN: Thank you.

So we're now going to hear public comment on PacifiCorp's CPCN petition. I'm going to read the names off the sign-in sheet that was by the front door, and then when I get through the names, if anyone else would like to speak, or someone else would like to speak again, you're more than welcome to raise

your hand and speak at that point in time.

So this is an opportunity for you to offer comments on PacifiCorp's proposal. As Chair Tawney mentioned, the Commissioners are here to listen carefully, but they are unable to respond to individual comments or answer questions directly tonight. So please keep that in mind. It's just one of the procedural safeguards we have in place as decision-makers to ensure that, you know, everything is above board and complies with the law.

Staff, as Eric mentioned, Staff will be around after the hearing if you have specific questions that they may be able to answer for you.

When you're called to speak, please speak slowly and clearly and state your name for the record.

And just a reminder, your comments are being recorded, and we're going to prepare a transcript after the hearing for use in this case.

We don't need to impose a time limit tonight, because there's only so many people in the room today. But we'll begin now.

We'll start with Jay Clark.

MR. CLARK: Thank you. This is a very scary thing for me. I'm not used to public speaking.

So my biggest concern, I've -- I've asked PacifiCorp twice through emails with a guy named Garrett, I met him once, if they could move these lines to the other side of my property, which I feel would be less impactive. My property is basically set up as a horse property. I have a small riding arena, horse stalls and a barn, and I used to have a round pin, and the lines would go right over it.

In the past, there's been problems with horses, especially breeding mares and embryos, so much so that a property had to be moved. They couldn't -- they can't use it for -- for livestock anymore. I looked at it when it was for sale when I was looking for this place.

So I've asked them to move it a few times, and it just seems like they aren't going to.

I'm also worried about the value of my property. If -- if I walked out to your car and I took a key and I scratched it, well, it definitely matters where I scratch your car as to the impact of the value. And I feel that where they wish to run these lines, it will impact me very badly. So that's -- that's all I basically have to say. Thank you very much.

ALJ MELLGREN: Thank you.

Thomas Rineman?

MR. RINEMAN: Thank you. My name is Thomas Rineman. I live at 6000 Foothill Road.

I think I have my -- I have a couple questions. You said you weren't going to provide the answers, but Oregon State Law for actually running transmission lines of this strength near or over occupied structures or residences, I'm just wondering if -- if that's something you'll be taking into consideration in terms of what Jay was bringing up about impact to humans or animals.

I think there's an established distance. From my little bit of research that I've done to suggest that anything over 50 kilowatts, I think the residence should be within -- not within 200 feet of the lines.

In my property, (indiscernible) it would be a lateral distance that I'm -- I'm looking at. I'm a bit concerned about that.

And, of course, the resale opportunities for my property. I'd like just to throw this out to anybody in the room. You know, if you -- if you have a property with a structure basically out your front window with lines running over it, and it's for sale, and there's one over the hill for sale, the same size property, same aesthetics, you know, whose -- whose

property would be selected first? Would you take the property with the lines and the structures in front of your front window, or would you take the one across a half mile down the road that has no obstruction at all?

I -- I'm very concerned about even having the ability to ever sell my property with those -- with that type of structure. So there's -- there's that concern as well.

And -- and I guess there are other issues that -- that I have that I'd like to just wait and see what -- what the Commission produces, and then maybe I can comment on those before the 25th of July as well. Thank you.

ALJ MELLGREN: Thank you very much.

And I would encourage you to have a conversation with our Staff here tonight at the conclusion as well.

Joe Bergeron (phonetic)?

MR. BERGERON: Yeah.

ALJ MELLGREN: Did I get that right?

MR. BERGERON: (Indiscernible).

Joe Bergeron. (Indiscernible) kind of a member of the property (indiscernible). My main concern is the evaluation of properties. We're looking at selling a parcel of land that's 78 acres, and you're

taking -- the amount that they're offering for -- for 1.8 acres is a third of what the county just paid us for it. It makes no sense. They're devaluating it to where when we go to sell it, it will be developed. You are now taking that away from us too.

The county's already just taken a right-of-way from us, and we -- and we gave that to them. They didn't replace our fences or anything like that. It's all on us to do all that stuff up there. So we're already getting the shitty end of the stick.

Now Pacific comes in, and they want to do the same thing. So now we just got our property line moved, and now you want to sit there and give up more land so you can move the property line. Then you want to put up all the big transmission lines. From what my wife said, or -- or read to me earlier, is it's a 30-meter thing, similar to what you said, 250 feet. 250 feet is the entire length of the cross-section of our property line. So now you have to devalue the entire property. So you're going to pay us for 78 acres of devaluation, or you're going to pay us for 1.8 acres?

(Indiscernible).

ALJ MELLGREN: Thank you.

(Indiscernible).

MS. BERGERON: I was basically going to say exactly what he was saying.

ALJ MELLGREN: Would you like to say anything else?

MS. BERGERON: A little less emotionally. Yeah.

ALJ MELLGREN: Okay.

MS. BERGERON: My name is Sandy Bergeron, and my family does own property in between Vilas and Coker Butte. I kind of mirror what my husband said, concerned about the devaluation of property with these running the length-wise of our property.

Our family has been in discussions of selling this piece of property. We haven't been able to utilize it for some time now, so we're -- we've been in discussion of selling the property. So resale value is the forefront of our concern.

Also wanted to make sure, with all what you said, you know, the 30 meters by a power line, how does that affect structures, crops, livestock, and how does that affect, you know, who is able to purchase our property and who could we market it to in the future.

Wanted to also make sure that any proposals coming in are reflecting on the new property

line, because we just did sell 1.2 acres to the county to widen Foothill, so we just want to make sure that the plans are the new property line or the old property line.

ALJ MELLGREN: Thank you.

Lynn Ogden.

MS. OGDEN: I want to thank you guys for coming down to listen to us because there's a number of us very upset. My name is Lynn Ogden, and I'm here with my husband, John Webb. We live at 6716 Foothill Road, right on Foothill Road, and our property is exactly in the pathway of power lines, and I would actually like -- take that.

Here's a picture of what Pacific Power gave to us, and if that doesn't scare anyone, I don't know what will, but it takes over the entirety of our home. So that's not a good thing for anybody.

My husband also has a pacemaker, so we've tried to do a lot of research regarding that. The main thing that we've come up with is the anomalies, that there's an electromagnetic anomaly in the line that can affect that pacemaker. One way or another, we're not sure which way it would go. He could get a bigger zap or a less zap. So that's quite unsettling and quite scary.

Besides the fact that -- of that is that once the power lines are there, we don't have anywhere to remove ourselves if -- if he is having issues.

Again, the property value is a big deal. We are in the process of trying to sell, and all we've been told by realtors and different things is, see what you can get. You know, nobody knows for sure. We've been there over 30 years. Our whole life is there, so -- and our retirement, we've been wanting to sell to go do other things.

So between the right over our house, which is a biggie, the health issues, and the devaluation, we don't really have any options, and, you know, it's not something that it was our choice. We didn't bring this upon ourselves.

And so we're just here to bring this to your attention, and we understand that your utility commission is here to evaluate the proposed power meets a need. We don't feel that it meets a need. I guess I don't know what their definition is of that, but you guys really need to consider all the facts and how many people really are impacted by this situation.

And in our packets that we got a while back, we have -- just like what you showed up there -- Route 1 and Route 2, but there was also a

Route 3 that literally goes behind everybody's homes, right down the back, where there's already power lines up on the ridge behind everybody, goes straight down to 140, where they can meet in. I don't know why that one wasn't taken on, because -- well, I know down Foothill Road is very much more convenient for Pacific Power, but this route would just make sense for everybody that's here.

So we just urge you guys to -- to take all this into consideration, and there's got to be a better place. There's got to be a better place to put these lines.

So we urge the Commission to stop Pacific Power from going down Foothill Road. We need to protect our public overreach by utilities, and we just ask you to do that and keep us all safe from those power lines. Thank you.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Indiscernible).

ALJ MELLGREN: Sure.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Indiscernible).

ALJ MELLGREN: State your name (indiscernible).

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Indiscernible).

One thing I would like to add when we take a look at the (indiscernible) question on our

property (indiscernible).

That right-of-way, it encompasses all of the living space within our home. The only part of our home that is outside of their driveway is a garage. The bathrooms, the bedrooms, the living room, the kitchen, everything is under the power lines. This doesn't seem reasonable to me.

The other serious question we have is Pacific Power has stated to us that there is absolutely no construction under or within the right-of-way. Suppose there is a catastrophic issue in our health and it burns down. Can we rebuild our home or not within the (indiscernible) according to their rules? No, we can't. What do we do? We're going to have burned-down houses. I don't think that's reasonable for anybody to have to consider.

What do they do when there's a catastrophic (indiscernible)? And you can't do anything about it (indiscernible).

ALJ MELLGREN: Thank you very much.

That is all the names we have on the sign-in sheet. Would someone else like to speak?

Could you state your name?

MR. RIVERA: Hello, my name is Danny Rivera. We own -- my parents own a property on

(indiscernible) 40 and Foothills.

I know I can see -- I don't know who you guys are. Are you guys PacifiCorp? All three of you right there?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: We're PUC Staff over here.

MR. RIVERA: Okay. And then who's the Commission from -- here from Oregon? Is it this?

Well, what I'm trying to get to is that last time I checked in on Pacific Power, you know, it's -- it's a big multi-billion company. It's owned by, I think, Warren Buffett. I'm not sure. And all the money you're trying to get from everybody here, I mean, they're hard-working Americans. It's nothing (phonetic). You know, I bet a lot of these people been -- a lot of these people been working here for a long time.

Another -- another thing is that the money that's given to -- the money that's given to -- to everyone, it's -- compared to what even the county gave us, it's more. You know, it's -- it's not that the property is going to lose value. I mean, this -- everybody is going to the property value. Yeah. I mean, we're -- we're going to have a lot of problems with the property value.

But the thing is that now, you know, we -- we made a life there. Everybody has made a life in -- in their property. Some invested many -- lots and lots of years. You know, they have projects going on, you know, farms and all this. Then we have a billion-dollar company that's just coming in and just, you know, paying us cents, pennies.

You know how hard it is to find a lawyer? To find a lawyer that represents any of us right here because Pacific Power owns every single one. It's hard.

You know, a lot of money is -- you know, money talks, and our money ain't talking at all. But we did find one. There's a couple people in here that I've seen do have lawyers with distinction, but they're not here right now.

I don't know how much this budget or the budget from one point to the other point, but whoever is getting a lawyer is going to get more than -- than us. So --

You know, it's -- it's -- it's going to make it hard for all of us, especially, you know, property keeps going up. You're not going to find property anymore. You know how much land -- you know how much property there is in the world? It's limited.

No one's making more property. No one is. Property doesn't grow on trees. We have what we have, and that's it.

You know, it would be nice if -- if -- if they would come and say, hey, you know, we will get you -- we'll give you this property for this property. The same amount, same house, same everything elsewhere. That would be -- for -- for us, would be good enough. I don't know for other people.

But, like I said, it's -- it's been -- it's been hard for us. You know, they invested a lot, a lot of time. And we have horses, we have cattle, and -- and now we're going to have lines. You know, county took some of it. We're paying lawyers right now. So --

But they told us to come here and talk to you guys and give our opinions and help everybody else and help all of us. Because if we don't, you know, it's always going to be the same. Billionaires always going to win.

ALJ MELLGREN: Thank you very much.

Is there anyone else who would like to comment this evening?

All right. Well, thank you very much, everyone. Your comments are really helpful, as Chair

Tawney mentioned, and they do get reviewed by numerous people at the Commission.

And just to clarify, Eric and Yassir are part of what we call "Commission Staff," and they are investigating PacifiCorp's proposal. So they've received this, and they're going through their process to test what PacifiCorp is saying, and, you know, determine if what they say in their petition is correct, and they're asking the Company questions to clarify things. And so they are investigating it on behalf of the Public Utility Commission. And they're going to present a case to the Commissioners, who are appointed by the governor, and ultimately make the decision on the CPCN petition.

So we have kind of three parts of the Public Utility Commission here tonight. We have Staff who's investigating. I'm managing this docket and the process associated with it. And the Commissioners will be making the ultimate decision in this case.

So thank you very much for your comments this evening. If you have any questions about how to submit written comments, please email us. We'll help you submit your written comments or work on a petition to intervene in this process so you can participate as a party.

And again, we're going to make a transcript of the hearing tonight. We also have the upcoming Zoom public comment hearing in case you have friends, family, neighbors who would also like to provide comment, or you have additional comments that you'd like to provide in a couple weeks' time.

Before we adjourn, I'll turn it back over to Chair Tawney.

CHAIR TAWNEY: Thanks so much, Judge Mellgren.

I really appreciate everyone taking the time. I know that your property is where your wealth is bound up. It's where your lives are bound up. And that's why we have such a robust process, because these are really important decisions that really impact people. So I appreciate you taking the time to come and talk to us about that, talk to us about the specific concerns.

Those of you who have questions, particularly about safety and so on, Yassir is an engineer, I would really encourage you to take some time and ask those questions. They can incorporate, like Judge said, incorporate your concerns into the investigation that they do into the proposal.

And we have really tried to make our

process accessible because we recognize that there is a difference in resources. And so I really encourage you to take advantage of the opportunity to talk to Staff and put in comments and know that they're taken very seriously.

So thanks so much. This is just the start of a long process. And we'll really look forward to a really thorough review of what the Company's brought forward to test what they're asking for permission to do.

So I'm going to offer my colleagues if there's anything you wanted to say.

No? All right. Judge?

ALJ MELLGREN: Okay. Thank you very much, everyone, for coming this evening. This concludes the Public Comment Hearing in PCN 8. We are adjourned.

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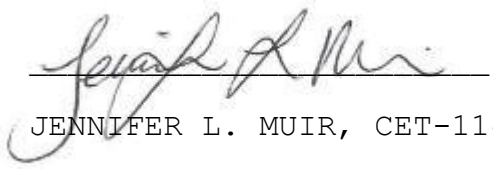

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