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Charles A. Sibley, Secretary
J. Christian Hendricks
Eric W. Smith
Fred H. Gantt
B. Allen Dunn, PhD
Ronald W. Byrd

For the State: N/A

For the Respondent: N/A

Advising the Board: Daniel Grigg, Esquire (LLR)

Also present: Lenora Addison-Miles, Administrator

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PROCEEDINGS

MS. McFADDEN: I'll go ahead and call this meeting to order. We'll start by saying our Pledge of Allegiance.

(Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation).

MS. McFADDEN: Before we get too far along, I want to welcome Christian and Eric. This is their first meeting. Christian is one of our two land-owner members that was appointed by SCFA. And Eric was appointed through the Foresters Council and he is filling George's slot. George rotated in May. We're a little bit slow to fill, but welcome -- welcome everybody. Glad to have you aboard.

Do we have any -- we don't have any absences, do we? Everybody's here? Okay.

And right behind your agenda in your packet are the minutes from the last meeting. We need to review those and anybody got any changes? Actually I guess we got two sets of meeting -- or the minutes: The last board meeting would be the top one, and then the conference call that we had about the engine bill changes.

MS. ADDISON-MILES: And the regulations, uh-huh.

1 MS. McFADDEN: So let's do the board meeting first;
2 the one with the October 13th date on top of
3 it.

4 MR. GANTT: I move we accept it as presented to us.

5 MR. DUNN: I'll second it.

6 MS. McFADDEN: Okay. A motion and second to accept
7 the minutes as presented. All those in favor
8 say aye.

9 BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

10 MS. McFADDEN: Minutes approved. Okay, we'll look
11 at the conference call that -- for those of
12 you that weren't involved, the conference call
13 was just to kind of go over some of the
14 changes in the engine bill. And the engine
15 bill is basically what puts LLR into place and
16 kind of lays out who does what for LLR and
17 this board. And it was just minor changes to
18 make sure everything was -- and, for example,
19 you'll see down there the regulatory changes -
20 - the SAF -- no, it's not the SAF. The
21 dictionary of definitions was an outdated
22 book, so we updated the -- it was just, you
23 know, minor things like that that just kind of
24 put everything -- to take out things that
25 weren't relevant and get it up to date. But

1 that's what that conference call was about.

2 MR. DUNN: I move we approve the minutes.

3 MR. BYRD: Second.

4 MS. McFADDEN: Okay. Motion and a second. All
5 those in favor, say aye.

6 BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

7 MS. McFADDEN: Okay. At this time, I'd like to ask
8 M. Virgil Wall to, to come up.

9 (Mr. Wall complies).

10 MS. McFADDEN: We've got a lot of -- several new
11 folks on here, but we also have the ones that
12 have been around for a while also. And for
13 those of you that don't know, Virgil was our
14 chairman for the last four, five years? And
15 has served on the board for about ten years.
16 He rotated off this past May. And we just
17 wanted to present a plaque to him in
18 recognition of all his time and effort that,
19 that he has put for this board and for the
20 forestry profession in general, because he
21 sure has made the rounds and had a lot of
22 leadership roles. And we really appreciate
23 all of your years of service. And it says,
24 For your years of dedicated service to the
25 public and the profession, South Carolina

1 Board of Registration of Foresters.

2 MR. WALL: Thank you, Amy. I appreciate it.

3 (Applause).

4 MR. WALL: I understand y'all have got some real
5 challenges ahead with LLR again, so we've been
6 there at least twice during my tenure, so ---

7 MR. BYRD: Might want to get back on board.

8 (Laughter).

9 MS. McFADDEN: I've got his number.

10 MR. WALL: Yeah, Amy and I have talked; Hugh and I
11 have talked; Cam and I have talked; and I've
12 given her all I can find on what we responded
13 to before. So hopefully that'll help. Again,
14 if I can help, be glad to do it. Thank you
15 very much.

16 MS. McFADDEN: Thank you.

17 MR. GANTT: If I might comment, you know, I think
18 I'm the only one who was here from time Virgil
19 came on. I mean, I've been here -- I think
20 I'm just sort of permanent (inaudible). And
21 he really met challenges. There were lots and
22 lots of things that came up during his time as
23 the chairman, and he met them in the proper
24 way and, and really -- and he really was
25 tremendous asset to this board and to the

1 Forester Association and the forestry
2 community and all. It was greatly appreciated
3 and it was a pleasure working with you,
4 Virgil.

5 MR. WALL: Thank you very much. I appreciate it.

6 MR. GANTT: It really was. Every time we'd turn
7 around it was another problem somewhere. Then
8 he spent endless hours on his own, you know,
9 tending to them and working with them and
10 getting us in the right track, so.

11 MR. WALL: Thank you. Thank you very much.

12 MS. McFADDEN: Okay. Lenora, you got anything?

13 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Yes, ma'am. Staff would like to
14 welcome our new board members, Mr. Hendricks
15 and Mr. Smith. And we also extend our thanks
16 to George Chastain and Mr. Olin Lominick for
17 their services.

18 As of today, there are 700 foresters
19 registered through June 30th of 2013. The
20 late renewal period ended on September 30th.
21 Registrants would now have to apply for
22 reinstatement. There are 73 licenses that
23 lapsed effective June 30th of 2011, and that
24 is compared to 62 that lapsed on June 30th in
25 2009.

1 Each member has been given information
2 for filing your statement of economic interest
3 forms with the state ethics commission, and
4 the forms must be filed electronically no
5 later than April 15. The proposed changes to
6 the board's regulations were published in the
7 December 23rd, 2011 state register. The
8 December 2011 cash balance report for the
9 board reflects \$37,287.82. Thank you.

10 MS. McFADDEN: Thank you, Lenora.

11 MR. GANTT: Can I ask a question?

12 MS. McFADDEN: Uh-huh.

13 MR. GANTT: You say that 73 that lapsed ---

14 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Yes, sir.

15 MR. GANTT: --- against 60-something the previous
16 year?

17 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Yes, sir.

18 MR. GANTT: Of the 60-something the previous year,
19 do they -- some of them finally renew and come
20 in late or do we just lose that many every --
21 about every year?

22 MS. ADDISON-MILES: We normally lose about ten
23 percent each year, yeah. Uh-huh, about ten
24 percent.

25 MR. GANTT: Okay.

1 MR. BYRD: Do you think that's just from, I mean,
2 people either retired or ---

3 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Could be, uh-huh.

4 MR. BYRD: --- or was there ---

5 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Yeah.

6 MR. BYRD: --- I didn't know if there was one reason
7 that stood out.

8 MS. ADDISON-MILES: No. Those were just individuals
9 that don't renew. And most of them would be
10 that they're not working, they've retired or,
11 you know, they've moved out of state or some
12 reason like that, yeah. But then that --
13 also, we do have new people coming in. But
14 that's just the number, the percentage that we
15 normally have that do not renew is about ten
16 percent.

17 MS. McFADDEN: Unfinished business. That's the only
18 thing I wanted to ask about was the SAF Exam
19 with the state. Where -- what do we need to
20 do next because it's been going on long
21 enough?

22 MS. ADDISON-MILES: The last time we talked about
23 it, we needed to find someone that would
24 actually help us to prepare and validate an
25 exam. And I had contacted SAF, but I had not

1 gotten a response if they knew anyone or a
2 company that would actually help write the
3 exam for us.

4 MS. McFADDEN: Okay. And for the -- just to catch
5 some of y'all up to date, we've, you know, we
6 instituted the CF Exam as our state forester
7 exam a couple years ago. And we felt like, as
8 a board, we needed to strengthen it by adding
9 a state-specific portion similar to real
10 estate licensing. So you have the national
11 exam that, you know, that SAF provides. But
12 then we would have an additional 25 or 30
13 questions that were state-specific. And we've
14 been trying to get that part of the test
15 implemented several years now. And I guess
16 the hang up is our, our attorneys have advised
17 that those questions -- we've got a pool of
18 questions. And we thought we could just take
19 those to SAF and have them put together. But
20 the attorneys advise that those questions
21 don't just need to come straight from the
22 board; they need to be validated and make sure
23 that they are objective so that there's no
24 question on the integrity of the exam. And if
25 someone were to come back and argue and answer

1 or something like that for one of the
2 questions, that you would have, you know,
3 solid ground to stand on.

4 MR. BYRD: Amy, does it make sense to -- how, how
5 much of it should come from academia such as
6 Clemson, Horry -- is that where the questions
7 have come from?

8 MS. McFADDEN: The questions came from the -- when
9 the, you know, when the exam was generated
10 here. We had lots of questions from Tom
11 Straka and his group that kind of did the exam
12 questions originally. And then we added I
13 think -- you know, you worked on some with
14 George. We added ---

15 (Several speakers).

16 MS. McFADDEN: --- yeah, and so we added some
17 questions to that pool. So we've got, you
18 know, probably, what, 200 questions or
19 something to pull from. But the -- I guess
20 the hang up is those questions being properly
21 written and your, you know, your multiple
22 choice answers being appropriately phrased and
23 that kind of thing. And so that's where the
24 hang up is is getting that I guess instituted.

25 MR. HENDRICKS: How does the Real Estate Commission

1 get their state portion? Who picked that --
2 who -- they've -- same scenario. They got
3 the, you know, the state portion and the
4 national portion. I'm just wondering how they
5 got their stuff approved or ---

6 MS. McFADDEN: Yeah. I don't really know. I guess
7 the place to start is with SAF. And I -- I'll
8 call Louise and see where we need to go.
9 Because I know when we talked about doing the
10 CF Exam to start with, they had like a package
11 where they would help you write the questions
12 and validate them. And I think, at that time,
13 we thought we didn't need that and -- because
14 we had the pool of questions. I guess we just
15 need to know a cost if we go through the
16 testing company that, you know, they're using.

17 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Yeah, the issue was that the
18 questions that we were using or that we
19 proposed, they were not written by a
20 professional test writer. So that was the
21 issue. We didn't want the -- any fallback
22 from that later on that, you know, problems
23 with the questions. Because we had had some
24 issues when we had the state exam that time.

25 MS. McFADDEN: Right.

1 MS. ADDISON-MILES: So we were trying to avoid that.

2 So they want the questions to be

3 professionally written by an examination

4 provider or, you know. So that was the issue.

5 MS. McFADDEN: As far as funding for this goes -- I

6 mean, I know originally we, we had gotten

7 approval and I can't remember ---

8 MS. ADDISON-MILES: It was like seven or \$900

9 initially. But that was just for them to just

10 add the questions that ---

11 MS. McFADDEN: Right.

12 MS. ADDISON-MILES: --- we had. There was no

13 validation and that type thing.

14 MS. McFADDEN: So we need to get a cost estimate ---

15 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Right.

16 MS. McFADDEN: --- on doing this and then see if we

17 can get that approved.

18 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Right. Right.

19 MS. McFADDEN: New business. We've got several

20 license approvals. The first one is John

21 Lucas Curry.

22 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Okay. The board received an

23 application for registration by examination

24 from Mr. Curry on November 2nd, 2011. He

25 obtained a bachelor of science degree in

1 forest resource management from Clemson
2 University on December 22nd, 2005. He passed
3 the certified forester exam on January 19th,
4 2010. His file is complete.

5 MR. BYRD: The only thing -- what caught my eye to
6 start with was just the two years at Clemson.
7 I mean obviously -- look back -- I just wanted
8 to make sure I was right (inaudible). He went
9 to Greenville Tech and took the preliminary
10 for the first two years or so. Went into the
11 forestry program, is that -- wanted to be sure
12 I was correct on that.

13 MS. McFADDEN: Basic, basic courses there and then
14 transfer ---

15 MR. BYRD: Yeah. Because I -- before I got back
16 there, I looked and I said, Now, he must be
17 pretty smart maybe get out of here in two
18 years ---

19 (Several speakers).

20 MS. McFADDEN: Yeah, there -- if he gets -- and you
21 probably know more about this than I do. But
22 if they transfer into the forestry program,
23 regardless at what point, when they graduate
24 they can -- they've satisfied all of the
25 requirements for the SAF ---

1 MR. DUNN: That's correct. That's right. They have
2 to meet all the requirements of the department
3 of forestry when they come in, so they've got
4 to have those courses. That's correct.

5 MR. BYRD: Yes. Amy, it looks like everything on
6 here is in order unless somebody's -- cease
7 and desist, I think he responded to that
8 pretty well.

9 MR. GANTT: Does he have his two years? Says he's
10 12-27-05 to 10/31/06, which would be just less
11 than a year that he was mock (ph). From
12 1/1/07 to 12/31/07. Then he put in counter
13 sales since then.

14 MS. McFADDEN: Looks like he's got two jobs right
15 now.

16 MR. DUNN: Yeah, it does.

17 MR. GANTT: Part -- part time.

18 MS. McFADDEN: Actually three.

19 (Several speakers).

20 MR. BYRD: Well, on this Shirley -- Tim Shirley,
21 that number nine for the employment date, is
22 that -- is that -- that's six years there, or
23 is that the Shirley guy?

24 MS. McFADDEN: Where are you ---

25 MR. SIBLEY: That's the guy that's reporting or

1 returning ---

2 MR. BYRD: Okay. I wasn't quite sure.

3 MR. SIBLEY: Yeah.

4 MR. SMITH: Yeah, that's the way that I understand
5 it. He's, 2005 till present, he's been doing
6 contract work for Heritage.

7 MR. BYRD: Yeah.

8 MR. SMITH: So that ---

9 MR. BYRD: That would give him his time.

10 MS. McFADDEN: Right. And the only thing that
11 wouldn't count was his time before he actually
12 had a degree doesn't count. But from -- but
13 that was -- December '05 is when he graduated,
14 so ---

15 MR. BYRD: Okay. Majority of it.

16 MS. McFADDEN: Right. You know, so there's just six
17 months in there that wouldn't count because he
18 was still a student.

19 MR. GANTT: Looks like it really probably does go
20 back to the Heritage Land and Timber where he
21 says 5-5-05 to the present he was working
22 about twenty hours a week part time. Five
23 years is good enough, so that'd give him ...

24 MR. DUNN: Yeah, I think all said and done, he
25 probably -- he does have the time. I think

1 he's like a lot of folks out there today.

2 MR. GANTT: Yeah.

3 MR. DUNN: He's trying to ---

4 MR. GANTT: Make a living.

5 MR. DUNN: --- make a living.

6 MR. GANTT: Yeah. Whatever you're going to do ---

7 MR. DUNN: I move that we approve it.

8 MR. SIBLEY: And I second.

9 MS. McFADDEN: So moved and a second on Mr. Curry.

10 All those in favor, signify by saying aye.

11 BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

12 MS. McFADDEN: Okay. Mr. Curry's licensed.

13 All right. Robert Douglas Dawsey?

14 MS. ADDISON-MILES: The board received an

15 application for registration by examination by

16 Mr. Dawsey on August 29th, 2011. He obtained

17 a bachelor of science degree in forest

18 resource management from Clemson University on

19 August 11th, 2007. He passed the certified

20 forester exam November 15th, 2011. His file

21 is complete.

22 MR. GANTT: All looks good.

23 MR. DUNN: That's what I thought too. I move we

24 approve.

25 MR. BYRD: Second.

1 MS. McFADDEN: All those in favor?

2 BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

3 MS. McFADDEN: Okay. Benjamin Kendall?

4 MS. ADDISON-MILES: The board received an

5 application for registration by examination

6 from Mr. Kendall on May 9th, 2011. He

7 obtained a bachelor of science degree on May

8 9th, 2008 and a master of forest resources

9 degree on May 7th, 2010 from Clemson

10 University. He passed the certified forester

11 exam August 11th, 2011. His file is complete.

12 MR. GANTT: He didn't graduate -- get his masters

13 May of 2010 (inaudible) 2010. May of 2012,

14 isn't quite there unless there's some other

15 time in there somewhere.

16 MS. McFADDEN: Well, if it would be ---

17 (Several speakers).

18 MR. GANTT: --- time when he was getting his

19 masters, does that qualify or not qualify?

20 MR. BYRD: BS versus the masters?

21 MS. McFADDEN: Right. When he got his bachelors

22 degree, he was ---

23 MR. GANTT: That's what I'm asking, though. Can't -

24 - if he continued on in school at that time,

25 does that time count if he was working or not?

1 MS. McFADDEN: If he was working. If he's working,
2 it is. Just going to school isn't ---

3 MR. GANTT: --- okay.

4 MS. McFADDEN: Yeah. So from May of 2008 on is when
5 ---

6 MR. GANTT: Start ---

7 MR. BYRD: Two and a half years, if I'm reading it
8 right, experience.

9 MR. HENDRICKS: Three years in May if he stays on --
10 -

11 MR. DUNN: That's the way I see it. I think that's
12 right.

13 MR. HENDRICKS: I move.

14 MR. SIBLEY: Second.

15 MS. McFADDEN: All in favor?

16 BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

17 MS. McFADDEN: Okay, we got two by reciprocity.
18 First one is Wise Batten, Jr.

19 MS. ADDISON-MILES: The board received an
20 application for registration by reciprocity
21 from Mr. Batten on October 19th, 2011. He
22 obtained a bachelor of science degree in
23 forestry from the University of Georgia on
24 August 4th, 2001 and a master of forest
25 resources on May 8th, 2004. He was licensed

1 in Georgia on February 13th, 2008 by
2 examination. Staff received an additional
3 reference from Tracy Bertrum (ph) after the
4 packets were mailed to the board members.

5 MR. SIBLEY: Does that complete his file?

6 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Yes.

7 MS. McFADDEN: As far as reciprocity goes, we don't
8 have any formal like you have to take
9 everybody that comes from, from an adjoining
10 state or anything like that, but we do -- we
11 leave it open for a case-by-case basis. But
12 in most instances, the, you know, the
13 surrounding states have very similar
14 requirements that we do. So if they're
15 already licensed in a certain state, you know,
16 they still have got to go through the
17 application process, but you know that they've
18 gone through, you know, just a -- you know, a
19 similar process in a state where they're
20 already licensed.

21 MR. BYRD: I move we accept his request.

22 MR. DUNN: I second.

23 MS. McFADDEN: We've got a motion and a second on
24 Mr. Batten. Any further discussion? All
25 those in favor, say aye.

1 BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

2 MS. McFADDEN: All right. Okay, Patrick Lunceford.

3 MS. ADDISON-MILES: The board received an

4 application for registration by reciprocity

5 from Mr. Lunceford on September 6th, 2011. He

6 obtained a bachelor of science degree in

7 forestry from the University of Georgia on May

8 11th, 2002. He was licensed in Georgia on

9 September 14th, 2004 by examination. His file

10 is complete.

11 MR. GANTT: I don't know if it makes any difference,

12 but you look back where he's working, looks

13 like it has been (inaudible) not a registered

14 forester. I don't know if that has any

15 bearings on our licensing here since he is a

16 registered in Georgia.

17 MS. McFADDEN: I saw that -- that was similar on the

18 Randy White also on that other one. But I

19 think as long as there is a registered

20 forester in the company, you know, not

21 necessarily the owner, but as long as they're

22 working with a registered forester, then it

23 qualifies.

24 MR. DUNN: Looks like to me it's complete. I move we

25 approve.

1 MR. SIBLEY: I second.

2 MS. McFADDEN: Motion and a second. Any further
3 discussion? All those in favor for licensing
4 Mr. Lunceford, signify by saying aye.

5 BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

6 MS. McFADDEN: Okay. We've got a reinstatement
7 request from Joseph Cory James.

8 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Mr. James's license lapsed on
9 June 30th, 2011. He has submitted a completed
10 reinstatement packet and paid all fees.

11 MS. McFADDEN: And if he just lapsed in June of
12 2011, he would just need the regular 20 hours

13 ---

14 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Correct.

15 MR. DUNN: He's got all the required hours, so I
16 move we approve.

17 MR. GANTT: Second.

18 MS. McFADDEN: Okay. Motion and a second to
19 reinstate Mr. James. Any further discussion?
20 All those in favor, signify by saying aye.

21 BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

22 MS. McFADDEN: Okay. There has been a lot of
23 excitement around the CFE audit this year.

24 MS. ADDISON-MILES: CFE audit letters were mailed on
25 October 12th, 2011. Registrants were asked to

1 submit proof of their CFEs by November 30th,
2 2011. As of yesterday, everyone had responded
3 and we had issued only one cease and desist
4 order for failing to respond to the audit.
5 And we still had not gotten a response even
6 though followup letters had been sent. We
7 still did not get a response from Joseph Ellen
8 of Cary, North Carolina.

9 MS. McFADDEN: What was his last name?

10 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Ellen, E-L-L-E-N. Joseph Ellen
11 of Cary, North Carolina. Ellen and
12 Associates.

13 And I have a couple of -- I guess
14 everybody can just take -- these are ones that
15 were -- I was not sure about their hours.

16 (Ms. Addison-Miles passing out folders to members).

17 (Board members reviewing documents/folders).

18 MR. BYRD: --- be approved toward CFEs?

19 MS. McFADDEN: No, the board has the -- you know, if
20 it's something that didn't go through SAF ---

21 MR. BYRD: Right.

22 MS. McFADDEN: --- they can still get credit for it.

23 MR. BYRD: Okay.

24 MS. McFADDEN: If ---

25 MR. BYRD: If we feel like it's ---

1 MS. McFADDEN: Right.

2 MR. BYRD: --- associated ---

3 MR. SIBLEY: (Inaudible).

4 MS. McFADDEN: Yes.

5 MR. BYRD: Okay. Okay.

6 (Inaudible discussions among board).

7 MS. McFADDEN: Refresh my memory of the 20 hours: 12
8 need to be category one?

9 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Ten.

10 MS. McFADDEN: Ten?

11 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Uh-huh. That's half of them
12 have to be category one.

13 (Inaudible discussions among board).

14 MS. McFADDEN: Does anybody know what USPAP is? Is
15 that the appraisal?

16 MR. SMITH: What is the acronym again?

17 MS. McFADDEN: USPAP. It's -- course title is USPAP
18 Update.

19 MR. SIBLEY: (Inaudible).

20 MS. McFADDEN: Yeah. I guess -- this one is Paul
21 Major. He's got 21 hours. Seven hours are
22 timber or timberland evaluation, which would
23 of course be category one. Seven hours are
24 the USPAP Update and then seven hours is How
25 to Write a Narrative Appraisal Report. So

1 either those two -- he's got 14 hours that are
2 appraisal oriented, so can you -- can you ask
3 him if he can send agendas for those two
4 courses, so we can determine if anything would
5 count as category one?

6 MS. ADDISON-MILES: For which two?

7 MS. McFADDEN: The USPAP Update.

8 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Okay.

9 MS. McFADDEN: And How to Write a Narrative
10 Appraisal Report.

11 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Okay. Okay.

12 MR. SIBLEY: George Farmer looks good to me. He's
13 got plenty of category one hours. Most of
14 them are webinars, but those are accepted by
15 SAF.

16 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Okay.

17 MR. HENDRICKS: I've got a gentleman that took the
18 required amount of hours, but he submitted the
19 application he had taken it before he actually
20 took the last class. It was within the June
21 30th deadline and it's all legit. It's all
22 category one. But he submitted the
23 application on June the 8th of '11, then took
24 his course on June 22nd.

25 MS. McFADDEN: Okay. In that case, I mean you can

1 assume that he was signed up for the course so
2 he knew ---

3 MR. HENDRICKS: Right, okay.

4 MS. McFADDEN: --- he was gonna have it. It's
5 within -- we have had some that have renewed
6 their license and not taken a class till
7 October, so.

8 MR. HENDRICKS: Yeah, it was before the June 30th
9 deadline, yeah.

10 MS. McFADDEN: Yeah, so ---

11 MR. HENDRICKS: He had just -- yeah, again, maybe he
12 had signed up for it.

13 MS. McFADDEN: Yeah, so he may have wanted to go
14 ahead and get his renewal done.

15 MR. HENDRICKS: Right.

16 MS. McFADDEN: I think that's okay.

17 MS. ADDISON-MILES: What's his name?

18 MR. HENDRICKS: James Brown. Or Jim Brown.

19 MR. BYRD: This Charles Daniels I think's okay.

20 He's got, he's got enough total hours, and

21 he's got 13 hours I think that are SAF-

22 certified, at least through the CFE

23 coordinator. What -- do you know what this

24 CEUISA, what kind of -- I mean I -- do y'all

25 know -- I've never seen anything like this?

1 MS. McFADDEN: That's the -- I think that's
2 arborous, isn't it? The International Society
3 of Arborous?

4 MR. BYRD: Well, he's from Southport, and so a lot
5 of things like Arborous Tree Load, Arborous
6 News ---

7 MS. McFADDEN: Yeah, I think that's what that is.
8 (Several speakers).

9 MR. BYRD: So I just never have seen this, but I
10 mean he did -- it's got information in it
11 that, that it deals with. He's got more than
12 the required ten that are ---

13 MS. McFADDEN: Category one?

14 MR. BYRD: --- category one. So I think he's in
15 good shape. (Inaudible). You need more
16 information?

17 MS. McFADDEN: No. Let Lenora know that ---

18 MR. BYRD: Yeah, I think he's okay, Lenora.

19 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Okay.

20 MR. BYRD: He's in good shape.

21 MR. DUNN: Walker H. Hyman also is fine ---

22 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Hyman?

23 MR. DUNN: Hyman. Yeah, he's fine.

24 MS. McFADDEN: Lenora, I'm just assuming that his
25 case, that the letters crossed in the mail

1 from the time that he was sending his in when
2 the cease and desist went out? That's not --
3 he didn't send it in?

4 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Oh yeah. When he responded --
5 yeah. Because the second request was -- we
6 sent two notices. The first was in October;
7 the other one was sent I think in November or
8 December or something saying we haven't gotten
9 your response to the CE audit. So then, in
10 January when we still hadn't got a response,
11 we sent the cease and desist orders to those,
12 I think there may be three to five people that
13 hadn't responded.

14 MS. McFADDEN: Okay.

15 MS. ADDISON-MILES: So it was -- yeah, crossed in
16 the mail or what have you. Yeah.

17 MS. McFADDEN: Okay.

18 MR. GANTT: This one has Journal of Forestry. Is
19 that ---

20 (Several speakers).

21 MR. DUNN: Yeah, it's appropriate.

22 MS. McFADDEN: As long as it's not all 20.

23 MR. DUNN: That's right.

24 MR. GANTT: 15 hours of category one and five hours
25 of Journal of Forestry.

1 MS. McFADDEN: (Nods head).

2 MR. GANTT: Other situation was that he wrote a nice
3 letter and said that he didn't get the
4 request. And then as soon as he got the --
5 when they sent the followup letter, soon as he
6 got it, he responded with the details. First
7 request just got lost somewhere along the way,
8 so. I would suggest Thomas Patrick we
9 approve.

10 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Okay.

11 MR. GANTT: As submitted, based on what we have
12 here.

13 MR. SMITH: I have Brian Pitman. Most of his
14 certificates he has relate to land surveying.
15 20 hours of land surveying; two hours of
16 category one and four hours of category two.
17 That's the totals that he had in his packet.

18 MS. McFADDEN: The 20 hours of land surveying, is
19 that just certificates from their continuing
20 ed required or ---

21 MR. SMITH: Possibly. As for a list of some of the
22 courses or topics, he got some hours,
23 professional development hours they call them,
24 for attending chapter meetings. Some of the
25 topics were GIS, CAD survey, concealed weapons

1 permit, code of ethics, standards of practice,
2 land development review.

3 MS. McFADDEN: Okay.

4 MR. SMITH: All of those were certificates issued by
5 ---

6 MS. McFADDEN: And those are in that 20 hours ---

7 MR. SMITH: --- South Carolina -- yeah, that's,
8 that's -- all those 20 hours are under the
9 surveyors and they're all South Carolina
10 Society of Professional Land Surveyors is the
11 -- who's issuing those. Most of them are the
12 Grand Strand Chapter.

13 MR. SIBLEY: I think some of that could be
14 considered category one ---

15 MS. McFADDEN: Yeah, I would consider the GIS, the
16 code of ethics ---

17 (Several speakers).

18 MR. SMITH: On that concealed weapons, it does list
19 Brian Pitman as the president of the Grand
20 Strand Chapter. Most all these are Grand
21 Strand Chapter issued certificates. Oh, one
22 of those hours, the code of ethics, does occur
23 before July 2009.

24 MS. McFADDEN: If you took -- we might just need to
25 spend a little bit more time on his. If you

1 took the, the GIS hours and added those to the
2 category one?

3 MR. SMITH: You'd have a total of three category
4 one. Let me list these courses that surveyors
5 -- Land development review; Horry County GIS -
6 --

7 MR. BYRD: Was that one hour?

8 MR. SMITH: That's one hour. Do we want to say ---

9 MS. McFADDEN: I would say that's category one.

10 MR. SMITH: That's fine. Carlson Survey CAD, maybe
11 that's a software, you know ---

12 MS. McFADDEN: (Inaudible).

13 MR. SMITH: --- for surveying. I don't know.

14 MS. McFADDEN: I'd be inclined to believe -- yeah,
15 category one, because that's something that
16 you could use instead of like RGIS (ph). I
17 mean instead of using artview, you could use
18 CAD.

19 MR. SMITH: This is two hours for attending chapter
20 meetings. No list of the topic there. This
21 one was surveying along the AICWW.

22 Intracoastal Waterway, Atlantic Intracoastal
23 Waterway? It's on the Grand Strand ---

24 MS. McFADDEN: Yeah.

25 MR. DUNN: (Shakes head). I don't -- I'm not quite

1 sure what that means.

2 MR. SMITH: It's about surveying ---

3 MR. DUNN: Is that a course or is that actually a
4 field trip or ---

5 MR. SMITH: Attended a seminar about surveying along
6 the AICWW and awarded -- and this is the way
7 their certificate reads: Is hereby awarded
8 one professional development hour.

9 MR. DUNN: (Inaudible) is possible, but ---

10 MS. McFADDEN: I would call that category two.

11 MR. DUNN: Yeah.

12 MR. SMITH: Concealed weapon permit, eight hours
13 here.

14 MR. BYRD: I don't see the relationship there.

15 (Several speakers).

16 MR. SMITH: This one was surveyors -- it was
17 Standards of Practice, slash, there's
18 abbreviation of E-L-E-V Cert Review. Not sure
19 about that one.

20 MR. HENDRICKS: Elevation certification probably
21 what it is.

22 MR. SMITH: Elevation and Certification Review?

23 MR. HENDRICKS: Yeah, especially down there. Got
24 all that water.

25 MR. SMITH: And that's one hour as well.

1 MS. McFADDEN: I'd call that category two.

2 MR. SMITH: Two. And this is Code of Ethics
3 presented by the surveyors.

4 MS. McFADDEN: That's cat one.

5 MR. SMITH: This was South Carolina DOT online
6 plans.

7 MR. SIBLEY: I call that category two.

8 MS. McFADDEN: Yeah.

9 MR. DUNN: (Nods head).

10 MR. SMITH: And then this one was for chapter
11 meetings. No content included. This one was
12 Hot to Identify Explosives in the Field.

13 MR. BYRD: He's got some interesting topics.

14 MS. McFADDEN: Yeah.

15 (Several speakers).

16 MR. SMITH: All right. So if we don't include that
17 as well, what I'm looking at is -- what we've
18 identified as category one is five hours;
19 category two, seven hours.

20 MS. McFADDEN: And that's not including any of those
21 chapter meetings?

22 MR. SMITH: I didn't include -- basically what I did
23 on here is if we designated it as category
24 one, I put it down on this sheet. The other
25 ones like the meetings that we don't have any

1 content and those other courses that we didn't
2 feel ---

3 MS. McFADDEN: If you, just on the meetings, how
4 many hours does he have on the meetings?

5 MR. SMITH: Four. There's two certificates of two
6 hours each for attending chapter meetings.

7 MS. McFADDEN: So that'd be 16 if you, if you
8 counted those at cat two, that'd be ---

9 MR. HENDRICKS: He needs five more category one
10 basically.

11 MR. DUNN: That's right.

12 (Several speakers).

13 MR. SMITH: If -- see if he could provide content
14 for some of those meetings, we could evaluate,
15 determine if those category ones or ---

16 MS. McFADDEN: Well, I doubt they would be if
17 they're surveyor -- I mean, you don't ever
18 know. But ---

19 (Several speakers).

20 MS. McFADDEN: Right. Even if all four of the
21 meeting hours were cat one, he'd still be
22 short.

23 MR. SMITH: Yeah. Let me be sure I've got this
24 right. Looks like he did have a update of
25 address possibly as well.

1 MS. McFADDEN: You know, I don't think it's -- you
2 know, but I understand that he's a surveyor
3 and so, you know, he's not going to be going
4 to forestry classes. But, at the same time,
5 he holds a forestry license. So I don't think
6 it'd be too much to ask for him to take a, you
7 know, clearly a category one course, you know,
8 and to realize that we're past the time. So,
9 you know, if he takes it to satisfy this
10 requirement, he can't use it for his next
11 renewal. But I guess, you know, we could ask
12 for content on the meetings, that would, you
13 know, provide more category two hours. But
14 then we still -- he's still lacking category
15 one. And I think in the future if he wants to
16 maintain his license, he just needs to make
17 sure that one of the classes he takes, you
18 know, is an update of ---

19 MR. SMITH: I'm just noticing looking at these dates
20 here as well, there was one course put on by
21 the Congaree Land Trust and that did have CFES
22 ordered to it. It was in May of 2009, so that
23 would be before ---

24 MS. McFADDEN: Yeah.

25 MR. SMITH: -- the June date. I tried to look at

1 the dates here for sure, but that would take
2 away two category ones there. Those -- that's
3 the only course really that was awarded CFEs.

4 MS. McFADDEN: Do we need to have a motion on him?

5 MS. ADDISON-MILES: I need to know what you want to
6 do about him, yeah. Because he hasn't met the
7 requirements, so I need to know what to tell
8 him. He has the license, but he hasn't met
9 the requirement. So do you want to give him
10 extended time to get the requirements?

11 MR. DUNN: May want to get some of the information
12 from some of those meetings he attended. If
13 those meetings, again, have technical content
14 ---

15 MS. McFADDEN: Some of that ---

16 MR. DUNN: --- it's possible that some of those
17 hours can ---

18 MS. McFADDEN: Right, but he's still going to be
19 short.

20 MR. DUNN: Yeah, he would still be short.

21 MR. HENDRICKS: He needs seven hours of category
22 one. He's got to have that.

23 (Several speakers).

24 MR. HENDRICKS: Or require seven hours of category
25 one, then have the other four hours due,

1 category two, he's got floating out there.

2 MS. McFADDEN: Are y'all willing to give him an
3 extension to ---

4 MR. BYRD: I mean I don't have any problem with it.
5 I think he needs to understand that those are
6 some pretty odd courses to say we're gonna re-
7 license you as a forester for taking these
8 courses. I think that defeats the purpose of
9 what we're trying to do ---

10 MS. McFADDEN: Right.

11 MR. BYRD: --- to me. From what Eric's saying,
12 those are some -- might like to take them, but
13 I don't know that I'd turn them in any more
14 for my audit.

15 MS. McFADDEN: Yeah.

16 MR. SMITH: He's heavily involved in that local
17 chapter surveyors.

18 MR. BYRD: Yeah.

19 MR. SMITH: I mean he's the - he was the president
20 for at least one period of time. And so he
21 attends all those meetings. And even with
22 like SAF, we got meetings that don't really
23 cover forestry.

24 MR. BYRD: The surveying part would probably be
25 pretty good, but the bombing and the CWP, I

1 mean where does that come into play for
2 sending it for your hours for re-registration?

3 MS. McFADDEN: Yeah.

4 MR. HENDRICKS: --- hoping somebody would just pass
5 the paper right along and wouldn't end up here
6 ---

7 MR. BYRD: He didn't think Lenora was going to read
8 it.

9 (Several speakers).

10 MS. McFADDEN: Well, I mean he's clearly involved in
11 his profession.

12 MR. BYRD: Yeah.

13 MS. McFADDEN: So I think he, you know ---

14 MR. BYRD: --- chance ---

15 MS. McFADDEN: And I think to give him the time to -
16 --

17 MR. DUNN: Let's do that.

18 MR. SMITH: I don't mean to confuse things, but he
19 had one -- there's another course that was
20 prior to the, to the July 1st -- another cat
21 one, the code of ethics that we identified was
22 prior to ---

23 MR. HENDRICKS: How many hours was that course?

24 MR. SMITH: One.

25 MR. HENDRICKS: That cuts him down to only having

1 two category one now.

2 MS. McFADDEN: Wasn't the GIS, GIS class or the CAD?
3 (Several speakers).

4 MS. McFADDEN: That was only one?

5 MR. SMITH: Yeah.

6 MS. McFADDEN: Oh, okay.

7 MR. SMITH: The two category ones we've identified
8 are the Horry County GIS and the Carlson
9 Survey CAD.

10 MS. McFADDEN: Do we need to give him a deadline?
11 Do we need to name a date?

12 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Yeah, you need to. That's up to
13 you, but, yeah, you need to.

14 MR. BYRD: What have we typically done? Or have you
15 had a situation like this to come up with a
16 deadline date?

17 MR. GANTT: Well, what kind of opportunities are
18 there to get the hours? I think is what we
19 need to look at ---

20 (Several speakers).

21 MR. GANTT: --- available readily or going to take
22 two months or three months or something to get
23 them done?

24 (Several speakers).

25 MR. HENDRICKS: Would 90 days be enough? Can't do

1 too terribly long with it.

2 MR. DUNN: Yeah, you don't want to push it too far.

3 Let's try 90 days. Again, I haven't looked at
4 that schedule for continuing education ---

5 MS. McFADDEN: I haven't either.

6 MR. HENDRICKS: He may have to travel.

7 MR. SMITH: There's numerous webinars.

8 MS. McFADDEN: If they do the one at Conway -- I
9 assume he's over in Myrtle Beach somewhere.

10 They do that one at Conway once a month.

11 (Several speakers).

12 MR. GANTT: How about just complete it till the
13 first of May rather than getting some date in
14 April like the 21st or the 19th or something;
15 just give him the whole month. Give him the
16 three months plus the time between now and
17 January 31, so he'd have ---

18 MS. McFADDEN: Okay.

19 MR. DUNN: That sounds fine.

20 MR. GANTT: --- just over a hundred days to get ...

21 MR. HENDRICKS: He's lacking eight hours of category
22 one.

23 MS. McFADDEN: May 1st he needs eight hours of
24 category one.

25 MR. HENDRICKS: He needs three more category two.

1 Those, those four are in question. He can
2 provide documents on those four hours; that
3 can cover those three.

4 MR. GANTT: Seems to me in the past we've had this,
5 we have also put in the notice and we -- that
6 he's going to be checked the next time to make
7 sure that he doesn't use these courses to
8 cover this period of time ---

9 MS. McFADDEN: Yeah.

10 MR. GANTT: I think we've always -- I think we've
11 done that in each one of them in the past.

12 MR. BYRD: I'd wondered if it'd been checked the
13 prior time given the fact that two of the
14 courses were applied to this time, see?

15 MS. ADDISON-MILES: So he needs eight hours of
16 category one and?

17 MS. McFADDEN: And documentation on the meeting
18 content of the four hours he's claiming for
19 meetings. Either a topic or an agenda or
20 something.

21 MR. SMITH: So for the meetings ---

22 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Are those chapter meetings or?

23 MS. McFADDEN: Yes.

24 MR. SMITH: Those are the chapter meetings of the
25 land surveyors, so we're saying those are

1 awarded two? Category two?

2 MS. McFADDEN: Category two, yeah.

3 MR. SIBLEY: Well, they may be.

4 MR. SMITH: They may be one.

5 (Several speakers).

6 MR. SMITH: In our count today (inaudible) ---

7 MR. SIBLEY: I think you ought to tell him he's

8 short category one and category two unless he

9 can prove to us that some of those hours meet

10 category two requirements.

11 MR. SMITH: Do we need to specify what hours were

12 approved at this point?

13 MR. BYRD: Weren't one or two of the category one

14 hours outside of the time limit? Was that ---

15 MR. SMITH: Yeah. I'm going back through kind of

16 looking at this to make sure what we've

17 determined. All right, the way I look at it,

18 we've got two category one hours that are

19 within the time frame and three category two

20 hours that are within the time frame.

21 MR. DUNN: I think it would be good to let him know

22 what we are counting, then supply the

23 information with a list.

24 MR. SMITH: And the one that we are counting,

25 category one is the Horry County GIS and the

1 Carlson Survey CAD seminar. That's category
2 one hours. Category two is the surveying
3 along the AICWW and Standards of Practice
4 Elevation and Certification Review. That's
5 category two, one hour. And SCDOT Online
6 Plans, category two, one hour.

7 MS. ADDISON-MILES: And those are things we are
8 counting?

9 MS. McFADDEN: Yes.

10 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Okay.

11 MS. McFADDEN: So I guess the third issue here is
12 not only course content but timing. I mean,
13 they need to be completed between July 1 and -
14 -- July 1, 2011 -- I mean, 2009 to June 30th,
15 2011. Do you have everything you need?

16 MS. ADDISON-MILES: I'm going to get his notes.
17 Yes, I'll get those notes. I did write it
18 down, but I'll get the notes so I -- because
19 I'm sure once he gets the notice, he's going
20 to want to know which ---

21 MS. McFADDEN: Which ones ---

22 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Yes. So that's why I'll go
23 ahead and include it in his notice.

24 MR. SMITH: Are y'all familiar with what the SCDOT
25 Online Plans ---

1 MR. HENDRICKS: Yeah, they have all the road plans.
2 You can go on there and pull up all their
3 surveys of all their -- any interchange or any
4 road. The surveyors can put it right into
5 their CAD and start going off of it. They're
6 surveying off those right-of-ways.

7 MR. SMITH: So you want me to read off any of these
8 courses again to verify any more category two
9 or leave it at that?

10 MS. McFADDEN: I think we'll ---

11 MR. GANTT: Think we ought to list in the letter to
12 him each one of these things that he has and
13 how we've categorized them. Let him know
14 exactly what we're doing. And if he has
15 questions, he can come back to us and rather
16 than just say we've got so many of this and so
17 many of that. Just go straight down, we count
18 this, this, this and this. And this is how we
19 get there.

20 MR. SMITH: And if he wants to push forward with one
21 of these courses, then ---

22 MR. GANTT: Then he knows exactly what ---

23 (Several speakers).

24 MR. SMITH: And any for hours or as far as dates of
25 when he can get this, it still has to be

1 within that time period or can he get category
2 one from here till the ---

3 MS. McFADDEN: No, we're going to give him till the
4 first of May to get those category ones.

5 MR. SMITH: Okay.

6 MR. GANTT: If we list each one of them, he has one
7 of them dated back prior to our two-year
8 period, he knows then that this is out of the
9 period so ---

10 MR. HENDRICKS: Doesn't count.

11 MR. GANTT: --- very, very clear exactly what we've
12 done and what he has.

13 MS. McFADDEN: Okay. On that initial letter that
14 goes out on the CFE audit ---

15 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Uh-huh.

16 MS. McFADDEN: --- is there any way that we send
17 something more noticeable or registered letter
18 or something that first time out and that may
19 minimize the number that haven't responded and
20 a second letter going out?

21 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Well, we normally don't send
22 them certified because that's just an
23 additional cost.

24 MS. McFADDEN: Cost.

25 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Yeah, of sending those 60-

1 something certified letters. I mean, because
2 it's sent on a notice like your renewal
3 notice. That's the notice that we send it on.

4 MS. McFADDEN: Which is just like one of those
5 little blue post cards?

6 MS. ADDISON-MILES: It's like this. (Indicating).
7 This is what it looked like. Like your
8 renewal notice comes in, like this. That tri-
9 fold, perforation on the side. That's what we
10 send it on, that notice. This is a draft of
11 the letter that's sent.

12 MR. HENDRICKS: It's got LLR return address on it?

13 MS. ADDISON-MILES: There it is, right there.

14 MR. HENDRICKS: Yeah.

15 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Uh-huh.

16 MR. HENDRICKS: They'll know ---

17 MS. ADDISON-MILES: It says, Important information.
18 Open immediately.

19 (Several speakers).

20 MS. McFADDEN: That was a major issue.

21 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Yeah.

22 MR. SIBLEY: Is the second notice sent certified?

23 MS. ADDISON-MILES: No.

24 MR. SIBLEY: How ---

25 MS. ADDISON-MILES: The second notice is not. The

1 second notice is just a letter indicating, you
2 know, we have not received your response to
3 the audit. The original letters were mailed
4 October 12th. As of to date, we haven't
5 received your documents. You can send them or
6 fax them, and we give them the address/the
7 phone number. This is a copy of the second
8 notice that's sent. And some people didn't
9 get the first; they didn't get the second.
10 But they got the cease and desist order to the
11 same address. So I'm not sure what happened
12 with that.

13 MR. SMITH: What kind of numbers are we talking
14 about of the all that are sent out? I mean --
15 -

16 MS. ADDISON-MILES: We -- the original audit, it was
17 63 licensees were selected. Letters were only
18 mailed to 62 of those because two of the
19 individuals selected were exempt. It was
20 their first renewal, so they didn't have to
21 have CFEs. So it was 61. I'm -- yeah, 61
22 letters were mailed on October 12th. And they
23 were requested to send in their documents by
24 November 30th so we could get them reviewed
25 and logged. And if there were any issues, we

1 could notify them before this meeting.

2 The second notices were mailed on
3 December 15th because we had not gotten
4 responses on November the 30th.

5 MR. HENDRICKS: How many second notices went out?

6 Of the 61, how many had to get a second
7 notice?

8 MS. ADDISON-MILES: One second and I can tell you
9 exactly how many we had. (Counting). 21.

10 MR. HENDRICKS: A third.

11 MS. ADDISON-MILES: 21.

12 MR. HENDRICKS: How many cease and desists went out?

13 MS. ADDISON-MILES: One. No, well, one is in effect
14 now. We actually issued one, two, three --
15 three. Three. And then two of them
16 responded, and we still have that one that's
17 outstanding.

18 MR. HENDRICKS: Right. Okay.

19 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Uh-huh.

20 MR. HENDRICKS: I think they're getting the mail.

21 Some people are unorganized. I, I -- that's
22 always gonna happen. It could be -- it could
23 be bright yellow and everything else and it's
24 still not -- going to get past a couple
25 people.

1 MR. SMITH: I say it's fine. I mean it's part of
2 their professional responsibility to do this -
3 --

4 MR. HENDRICKS: Open their mail and look at it.

5 MR. SMITH: I mean unless it's causing us a great
6 burden.

7 MS. McFADDEN: No, just a lot of emails.

8 MR. SMITH: Yeah.

9 MS. McFADDEN: Okay. I was just - you know, I mean
10 if there's a way that you -- you know, the
11 first notice that's going out is I guess more
12 noticeable, you would say -- you know, and it
13 may cost more to send them all certified up
14 front, but it would eliminate the second
15 notice, the third notice, the cease and
16 desist. You know, having to follow up,
17 because that's time and expense too. But ---

18 MR. BYRD: Well, could you put a just -- I agree
19 with what you're saying, but since it appears
20 it is a problem, then ---

21 MS. McFADDEN: But I don't know if that's normal ---

22 MR. BYRD: --- put a sticker ---

23 MS. McFADDEN: --- I mean if it's 30% ---

24 MR. BYRD: --- you know, highlight it with a stick-
25 on sticker or something to say you better look

1 at this, don't chunk it. I mean ---

2 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Well, it has, Important
3 information. Open immediately.

4 MS. McFADDEN: Oh, does it?

5 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Yeah.

6 (Several speakers).

7 MR. HENDRICKS: Maybe the second notice could be
8 certified if your -- you know, you got 60
9 people ---

10 MS. McFADDEN: Instead of the letter ---

11 MR. HENDRICKS: You got 60 people to begin with and
12 it narrows down to 20 that didn't follow
13 through. Maybe just only the second notice
14 could be looked at as being certified.

15 MS. McFADDEN: Yeah.

16 MR. SMITH: And it's clear to them that they have
17 been selected for audit. And if they don't
18 comply ---

19 MS. McFADDEN: I mean, I don't -- one of the emails
20 was from -- and I know Pat would not mind me
21 sharing this, but Pat Straka got audited. And
22 she's been on the board for years and years.
23 And she said that she almost threw it away and
24 then she -- something caught her eye that made
25 it -- I guess because it was just in that, I

1 don't know, fold-up envelope. She said, Well,
2 maybe it could be more noticeable.

3 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Well, and then it's not often
4 that we -- we only send like a renewal notice
5 every two years and then an audit letter. So
6 that's the only thing you really send other
7 than your license once you renew it. So it's
8 like we're not -- it's not like we're
9 constantly sending something, so.

10 MR. DUNN: Why don't you run those on pink paper
11 next time and send it out, see what happens.
12 Something along that line.

13 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Well, I don't know. Because
14 these are just standard forms. This is
15 standard paper that we order, you know,
16 because we can seal them here and everything
17 to try -- we have the machine that folds and
18 seals it automatically, so. And everybody
19 uses these same forms. So that's why -- but
20 we'll see what we can do.

21 MS. McFADDEN: Okay. 2012 ASBORF meeting. We are
22 part of a group, the Association of -- oh, I
23 got to think about this name -- Southeastern
24 Boards of Registration for Foresters. And
25 it's basically seven of the southeastern

1 states that all have licensing boards, and we
2 get together once a year and kind of compare
3 notes, issues, whatever might be going on.
4 And 2012 is our year to host.

5 So the, the -- the one thing that I want
6 to do today is decide on where we're gonna
7 meet. And then we can do, you know, meeting
8 content and that kind of stuff later. And we
9 have a couple opportunities that are --
10 normally this meeting is held in June. And
11 I've been to the last I guess five meetings,
12 and they've all been in June except for one
13 moved to September because Alabama wanted it
14 in joint with another meeting. One time it
15 was -- the last time we hosted here was April
16 and we did it in conjunction with ACF spring
17 meeting.

18 So there's -- the -- I guess the two
19 things that, that we need to think about is
20 ease of access because we've got people that
21 would be coming from Arkansas, Mississippi,
22 Oklahoma, North Carolina, South Carolina --
23 well, us of course, and Georgia. Is that
24 everybody?

25 MR. GANTT: Alabama.

1 MS. McFADDEN: Alabama, that's right. That's the
2 seventh one. So, you know, either interstate
3 -- interstate and/or airport access is pretty
4 important so that you, you know, you've got
5 ease of access coming in. And then the other
6 thing is, you know, usually part of a day is
7 spent in the field just so that they can see,
8 you know, forestry or whatever's going on in,
9 in your area. So ease of access and being
10 able to get out to the woods fairly easily are
11 two things that, you know, kind of deciding
12 factors going into where, you know, where we'd
13 like to have it.

14 I would love to have it in Myrtle Beach
15 where I could just plan it and be right there,
16 but that is not the easiest place in the world
17 to get to.

18 MR. HENDRICKS: Not in June either.

19 MS. McFADDEN: No. So we're probably looking at
20 Columbia. And there's -- I guess I'll throw
21 out three, three different ideas that have
22 come up. And one is we're having our spring
23 ACF meeting in April at Harbison. And we
24 could kind of piggyback on that meeting a
25 little bit and be here in Columbia. That

1 meeting is on certification. And I think you
2 might even be speaking at it. The -- you
3 know, that would be one option is to kind of
4 go to -- to use that meeting for some of the
5 technical sessions. Certification is
6 something that we think is, you know,
7 something everybody would want to hear about.
8 And then we could either do a, you know, a
9 site visit to -- through Harbison or something
10 on, on that nature.

11 The summer meeting, summer SAF meeting
12 is going to be at Clemson. And that is in --
13 let's see, so ACF would be April. I think
14 April 21st, somewhere around in there. Summer
15 SAF meeting is at Clemson in June. And I
16 think that is somewhere around the 15th of
17 June, so we could also use that. And the
18 meeting content I really don't know anything
19 about yet.

20 MR. GANTT: You're really not talking about a whole
21 lot of people attending ---

22 MS. McFADDEN: No.

23 MR. GANTT: --- 15 or 20 or so?

24 MS. McFADDEN: Ten, ten, 15 people. Yeah, so it's
25 not -- it's a small group. That's why I'm

1 looking at piggybacking on another meeting
2 sometimes works out well. But, so we've got
3 ACF going on in April. We've got SAF going on
4 at Clemson in June. And then another idea
5 that was thrown out was to meet at, and I'm
6 going to say this name wrong, Mil -- just left
7 my -- what's the plantation right outside ---

8 MR. BYRD: Millaree?

9 MR. SIBLEY: Millaree?

10 MS. McFADDEN: Millaree, yes. Is to meet there,
11 just -- not -- just do our own thing. Just
12 meet there. These meetings are usually a day
13 and a half long. They usually start on
14 Thursday and then half a day Friday and you're
15 done Friday by lunchtime. So the thought on
16 Millaree was maybe coming in and, you know,
17 having a meeting there. Being able to do the
18 field right there and then possibly Congaree
19 Swamp for something unique to South Carolina.
20 So those are kind of the three -- I mean, and
21 the door's wide open for anything else. But
22 those are kind of the three that I've been
23 looking at. So any thoughts, suggestions,
24 whatever y'all -- and, you know, the hosting
25 state, typically all the board members attend.

1 So just some ideas on what y'all think you
2 might want to do.

3 MR. HENDRICKS: The one in Harbison sounds like a
4 pretty good idea. And might see something
5 else -- I mean, if we go to Millaree, it's
6 just this group making their own agenda from
7 start to finish.

8 MS. McFADDEN: And that's, you know, most of the
9 time that's what ---

10 MR. HENDRICKS: You could combine it where it's
11 Millaree and Harbison. Where you spend some
12 time at Harbison one day and then your field
13 day is at Millaree. They're so close. I
14 mean, you know, it's not far.

15 MS. McFADDEN: And just another thing, on the
16 agenda, like I said it's usually a day and a
17 half long. And at least a half a day has got
18 to be ASBORF business meeting. And so you
19 kind of have a half day that's pretty much
20 set, you know, what you're gonna do. And the
21 big question is what you gonna do for the
22 other day. Day and/or evening. So. Don't
23 everyone speak at once.

24 MR. DUNN: Well, in meeting the criteria of
25 everything she talked about, especially about

1 travel and this sort of thing, probably
2 Columbia of those particular locations is
3 probably the best. And you do have more
4 opportunity here. You know, you can really go
5 a lot of different directions if it's in
6 Columbia. Housing and that sort of thing --
7 of course a small group anyway (inaudible).

8 MR. GANTT: (Inaudible) national forest is
9 tremendously interesting.

10 MS. McFADDEN: Yeah, I mean when North Carolina
11 hosted, they set up a deal with Biltmore and
12 we went. We didn't actually go -- you could
13 go through the house later on your own, but
14 the actual meeting part was tour Biltmore
15 forest and how they manage, you know, the
16 forest there. Alabama, I think we just kind
17 of went on couple different, different sites
18 and seeing things that of course were going on
19 down there. And I -- we went to Mississippi,
20 it was all -- we sat in a -- we were in
21 Choctaw, Mississippi, which is like one of
22 those Indian reservation places. And they had
23 this huge casino. And we were in the casino
24 hotel for the whole meeting. So, you know,
25 didn't really get to get out much or see

1 anything. So it's -- you know, it's nice to
2 have something local to take them to or ...

3 MR. SIBLEY: Well, I would think the June meeting
4 would give us a little more time to plan it.
5 April will be here pretty quick.

6 (Several speakers).

7 MS. McFADDEN: Well, but April we don't have a whole
8 lot of planning because we're going to
9 piggyback on somebody's else's planning.

10 (Several speakers).

11 MS. McFADDEN: I mean, does April ACF meeting, does
12 that suit everybody? Use part of that
13 meeting?

14 MR. HENDRICKS: Fine with me.

15 MR. GANTT: Is the agenda such that we'd be
16 interested and they would be interested in
17 coming? I have no idea what they have.

18 MR. HENDRICKS: Certification.

19 MS. McFADDEN: I mean, that's a national issue. I
20 would imagine -- not sure who all the speakers
21 are, but, you know, they are gonna be state-
22 specific on some things. But, you know,
23 certification is a national issue so. Okay.

24 MR. GANTT: --- this month's Forester Tree Farmer
25 magazine?

1 MS. McFADDEN: Uh-huh.

2 MR. GANTT: The whole thing is basically issued on
3 certification.

4 MS. McFADDEN: Yeah.

5 MR. HENDRICKS: Need to go ahead and get notice out.
6 We can go ahead and let them know that it's
7 going to be that April. April 21st.

8 MS. McFADDEN: Yeah.

9 MR. SMITH: ACF, so is it a one-day meeting or?

10 MS. McFADDEN: Uh-huh. Yeah, theirs is a one-day,
11 and they cook ---

12 (Several speakers).

13 MS. McFADDEN: --- Trey usually cooks steak and
14 shrimp that night, so. And depending on what
15 their agenda is like, you know, you might
16 could do the business meeting in the morning
17 and then join ACF at lunchtime. You know,
18 from there out. Or I mean spend the whole day
19 there and then do a field trip Friday morning
20 or something like that. Okay. We'll work
21 towards that.

22 MS. ADDISON-MILES: And this is at Harbison?

23 MS. McFADDEN: Uh-huh.

24 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Okay.

25 MS. McFADDEN: Okay. Next on the agenda, election

1 of a vice chairman. Right now that seat is
2 vacant. I believe you are secretary.

3 MR. SIBLEY: Yes.

4 MS. McFADDEN: And when do we have elections again
5 for the full ---

6 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Spring.

7 MS. McFADDEN: Spring. So our next meeting, we'll
8 be electing ---

9 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Correct. But in case something
10 happens, and we could have that ---

11 (Several speakers).

12 MS. ADDISON-MILES: Yes, but the next meeting ---

13 MS. McFADDEN: Do we have any volunteers?

14 MS. ADDISON-MILES: --- you need to ---

15 MS. McFADDEN: Any nominations for vice chairman?

16 MR. BYRD: Dr. Dunn.

17 MR. DUNN: Well, theoretically, next meeting should
18 be my last meeting. But how this goes, I
19 don't know. But supposedly I'll be up in May
20 so ---

21 MR. BYRD: It would be nice to have somebody that's
22 been on here a while ---

23 MR. DUNN: Yeah, I'd be glad to do it. But other
24 than that, like I said, if they --
25 administration moves fairly rapidly, I could

1 be replaced by next meeting.

2 MR. GANTT: I expired two and a half to three years
3 ago.

4 MR. DUNN: That's it. You never know. Like I said,
5 I don't mind serving. But that -- I just
6 don't know how fast they're going to move.

7 MS. McFADDEN: Right. Okay. Well, we're going to
8 have elections again in the spring so. Okay,
9 well, do I hear a motion or a nomination?

10 MR. BYRD: So moved.

11 MR. HENDRICKS: Second.

12 MS. McFADDEN: Okay, we need to vote on that? All
13 those in favor for Dr. Dunn being vice chair
14 say aye.

15 BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

16 MR. DUNN: Appreciate it. Thank you. That's a good
17 office to get.

18 MR. HENDRICKS: So April 12th the next meeting?

19 MS. McFADDEN: Okay. We -- I need a motion to go
20 into executive session.

21 MR. DUNN: I so move.

22 MR. SIBLEY: I second.

23 MS. McFADDEN: It's my understanding that we need to
24 go into executive session to talk about the
25 LLR regulatory report.

1 MR. GRIGG: Either way y'all want to do it. We can.
2 Y'all have already made the motion, so yeah,
3 let's do it.

4 MS. McFADDEN: Okay.

5 (Executive session from 11:33 a.m. to 11:51 a.m.)

6 MS. McFADDEN: All right. Does anybody have
7 anything else?

8 (Several speakers; restate motion to come out of executive
9 session).

10 MS. McFADDEN: Okay. We're back in public session.
11 Does anybody have any other business? Lenora,
12 anything else?

13 MS. ADDISON-MILES: (Shakes head).

14 MS. McFADDEN: If there's nothing else, we will
15 stand adjourned.

16 (Whereupon, at 11:52 a.m., the proceeding
17 in the above-entitled matter was
18 concluded.)

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