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DELAWARE RIVER BASIN COMMISSION

TRANSCRIPT OF AUDIO-RECORDED COMMISSION HEARING

DECEMBER 8, 2021

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CFR PARTS 410 AND 440 IMPORTATIONS OF WATER  
INTO AND EXPORTATIONS OF WATER FROM THE DELAWARE  
RIVER BASIN; DISCHARGES OF WASTEWATER FROM HIGH  
VOLUME HYDRAULIC FRACTURING AND RELATED ACTIVITIES

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A P P E A R A N C E S

Hearing Officer: Kristen Bowman Kavanagh

Commenters:

John Rath

Diana Dakey

Kathryn Nguyen

Nathaniel Leies

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MS. BOWMAN KAVANAGH:

Good evening. My name is Kristen Bowman  
Kavanaugh and on behalf of the Delaware River  
Basin Commission, welcome to this evening's  
public hearing. I am the deputy executive  
director for the DRBC and I will be serving as  
the Hearing Officer for this proceeding. I'm  
going to pause for a moment. I've gotten a  
notice that I muted, but let me just make sure  
that I'm okay on both platforms, both Zoom and  
YouTube. One moment, please. Thanks for your  
patience. Okay. I think we're all set.  
Thank you again for your patience and  
understanding with a slight technical,  
difficulty hopefully that is not an indication  
of things to come. I will go ahead and start  
again.

Good evening. My name is Kristen  
Bowman Kavanaugh and on behalf of the Delaware  
River Basin Commission, welcome to this  
evening's public hearing. I am the deputy  
executive director for the DRBC, and I will be  
serving as the Hearing Officer for this  
proceeding. As the hearing officer, my  
primary goal is to ensure that we conduct an

1 orderly hearing that allows individuals who  
2 wish to do so to provide oral comments and  
3 testimony that will become a part of the  
4 administrative record for the rulemaking that  
5 I will describe shortly. I would like to  
6 thank the public for attending. This public  
7 hearing is being held remotely and has been  
8 advertised as such on the DRBC website via  
9 social media and in federal and state  
10 registered publications. Members of the  
11 public may attend the proceedings virtually on  
12 either the Zoom Webinar platform or the DRBC  
13 YouTube channel. However, those who have  
14 registered to speak today, may participate  
15 only by joining the Zoom Webinar, which is  
16 interactive. While these types of meetings  
17 and webinars are not new, please allow me to  
18 offer a few announcements and reminders for  
19 this public hearing. I will ask for your  
20 patience if we have to pause to address any  
21 technical or procedural issues related to the  
22 remote platforms. When you join the Zoom  
23 webinar as an attendee, you will not have the  
24 same meeting features that you may be used to  
25 with Zoom, meeting, or other similar remote

1 meeting platforms. Specifically, you do not  
2 initially have camera or microphone access.  
3 If you have registered in advance to speak at  
4 today's hearing, your microphone will be  
5 enabled when it is your turn to provide  
6 comments. The public hearing is also being  
7 broadcast for viewing on DRBC's YouTube  
8 channel. However, if you registered to speak,  
9 you must join the Zoom Webinar platform to be  
10 able to participate. You will not be able to  
11 provide oral comment via the YouTube  
12 broadcast. You may also participate by phone  
13 using one of the numbers provided on the DRBC  
14 website. If you have registered to speak, you  
15 are encouraged to use your computer  
16 connection, audio and video. In any case,  
17 please do not use your phone and computer  
18 simultaneously for audio as this may result in  
19 echoes or other interference. Comments  
20 provided using a chat feature if available  
21 during the hearing on any platform will not  
22 become part of the administrative record. The  
23 procedure and a link for submitting written  
24 comments on the record are provided on the  
25 DRBC website. Only oral comments provided

1 during this or one of the other three hearings  
2 and written comments provided according to the  
3 procedures on the DRBC website will become  
4 part of the administrative record. If you are  
5 providing oral comments today, it is not  
6 necessary for you to also submit written  
7 comments, although you certainly may do so.  
8 The draft rules that are the subject of this  
9 hearing were proposed by the Delaware River  
10 Basin Commission to amend the Commission's  
11 Water Code, Special Regulations and Water  
12 Quality Regulations regarding the importation  
13 and exportation of water and wastewater into  
14 and from the Delaware River Basin and the  
15 discharge of wastewater from high volume  
16 hydraulic fracturing or HVHF. A notice of  
17 proposed rulemaking, along with text of the  
18 draft rules and supporting documents were  
19 posted on the DRBC website on October 28th,  
20 2021 and have been published in the Federal  
21 Register and Basin State registers.  
22 Information about the draft rules and the  
23 public process will remain available on the  
24 Commission's website throughout the process.  
25 As part of this rulemaking, the Commission is

1 in the process of having the key rulemaking  
2 documents translated into Spanish. These  
3 include the notice of proposed rulemaking and  
4 public hearing and the text of the proposed  
5 amendments for each of the three affected  
6 components of the Commission's regulations.  
7 To request the translation of these documents  
8 into a language other than Spanish, you may  
9 e-mail a request to [translate@DRBC.gov](mailto:translate@DRBC.gov).  
10 Translation requests will be considered on a  
11 case by case basis. In addition, to translate  
12 DRBC web pages to any of multiple languages,  
13 please use the Google translation widget  
14 located in the upper right of each web page.  
15 In accordance with the Commissioners 2/25/2021  
16 resolution and directive, the Commission is  
17 proposing amendments to its comprehensive plan  
18 and regulations to better provide for the  
19 planning, conservation, utilization,  
20 development, management and control of the  
21 basin's water resources in connection with the  
22 importation of water, including wastewater  
23 into the basin, the exportation of water,  
24 including waste water from the basin, and the  
25 discharge of wastewater from HVHF and HVHF

1 related activities. The Commission proposes  
2 to amend the water code by clarifying the  
3 circumstances in which exportations of water,  
4 including wastewater from the basin and  
5 importations of water including wastewater  
6 into the basin are considered by the  
7 Commission and the factors to be used in  
8 evaluating whether such proposed imports and  
9 exports of water may be approved. The  
10 proposed amendments will not apply to  
11 importations and exportations that existed  
12 prior to the effective date of any final  
13 rules, but are proposed to apply to increases  
14 in the rate or volume of existing importations  
15 and exportations. The Commission also  
16 proposes to amend its special regulations  
17 regarding HVHF by the addition of a finding  
18 that the discharge of wastewater from HVHF and  
19 HVHF related activities poses significant,  
20 immediate and long-term risks to the  
21 development, conservation, utilization,  
22 management, and preservation of the basin's  
23 water resources and that controlling future  
24 pollution by prohibiting such discharge is  
25 required to effectuate the comprehensive plan,



1 avoid injury to the waters of the basin as  
2 contemplated by the comprehensive Plan, and  
3 protect the public health and preserve the  
4 waters of the basin for uses in accordance  
5 with the comprehensive plan. The finding is  
6 accompanied by a provision prohibiting the  
7 discharge to waters or land of the basin of  
8 treated or untreated wastewater from HVHF and  
9 HVHF related activities. Copies of the  
10 proposed rules can be found on the DRBC  
11 website. This is one of four public hearings  
12 scheduled on this matter. In addition to  
13 accepting oral comments at these public  
14 hearings, the Commission is accepting written  
15 comments through 5:00 PM Eastern Time on  
16 Friday, February 28, 2022. Written comments  
17 will receive the same consideration as oral  
18 comments. Written comments can be submitted  
19 online using a link that is posted on the DRBC  
20 website. If you do not have access to a  
21 computer or the Internet and you would like to  
22 submit written comments, you may request an  
23 exception by writing to the DRBC as follows:  
24 Attention Commission Secretary. DRBC, PO Box  
25 7360, West Trenton, NJ 08628.

1 Today's proceedings are being recorded  
2 and a transcript will be created that will  
3 become a part of the decision-making record  
4 for the proposed rules. The recordings are  
5 being made to enable the DRBC commissioners to  
6 see and hear your comments, even though they  
7 cannot attend the hearings, and to allow the  
8 DRBC staff in consultation with the  
9 Commissioners, to prepare a detailed comment  
10 and response document that addresses the  
11 issues and concerns you raised.

12 I will now describe how the hearing  
13 will proceed. First, the Commission thanks  
14 all of you have registered in advance to speak  
15 today. You're doing so has helped the staff  
16 to prepare for these proceedings. If you have  
17 not yet registered and wish to speak at a  
18 future public hearing on December 15th of  
19 2021, please do so using the link on DRBC's  
20 website. Registrations for the two hearings  
21 on that day will be accepted until 5:00 PM  
22 Eastern Time on December 14th, 2021.

23 When I call your name from the list of  
24 registered speakers, we will attempt to find  
25 your name in the list of Zoom webinar

1 attendees. If we cannot find you quickly, you  
2 can help out by using the raise hand feature,  
3 which is typically located at the center  
4 bottom of the screen. If you are using a  
5 phone to call into the hearing, we may only be  
6 seeing a phone number rather than a name. If  
7 we call your name, please press star nine to  
8 raise your hand. You may need to end unmute  
9 on your end of the connection as well, and you  
10 can test the audio before beginning. You  
11 should plan on limiting your comments to about  
12 three minutes. Once you exceed the permitted  
13 time, the timer screen will turn red and I  
14 will likely ask you to wrap up your comments.  
15 Please remember, you will have the opportunity  
16 to follow up in writing, if you wish.  
17 Speakers are asked to state their name and  
18 affiliation, if any, and to direct all  
19 comments to the hearing officer. Please offer  
20 your comments in a respectful manner.

21 As the hearing officer, I reserve the  
22 right to decide if your presentation is not  
23 consistent with the purpose of this hearing  
24 and as such, I can end your ability to provide  
25 comments at any time with or without warning,

1 depending upon the circumstances. If, as a  
2 part of your comment you ask a question,  
3 please do not expect a response during the  
4 hearing. Questions and comments will be  
5 addressed as part of the comment and response  
6 document that will be prepared by the  
7 Commission after the comment period has  
8 closed. A list of frequently asked questions  
9 concerning this rulemaking has been posted on  
10 the DRBC website, as well.

11 This hearing will end once all the  
12 speakers who have registered in advance have  
13 had the opportunity to provide comments.  
14 Again, if you have not registered and would  
15 like to speak at a future hearing on December  
16 15th, 2021, please register using the link  
17 provided on the DRBC website. What happens  
18 next? Well, after all the public input is  
19 received, the DRBC staff and Commissioners  
20 will develop a comment and response document  
21 that addresses the concerns raised during the  
22 public process. The Commissioners will  
23 consider changes to the proposed rule in  
24 response to the comments received and will  
25 either act at a public meeting to approve the

1 rules as proposed, approve the rules with  
2 changes or reject the proposed rules.  
3 Alternatively, the Commissioners may commence  
4 a separate rulemaking to consider  
5 substantially different rule changes. The  
6 decision makers on this and all rulemakings by  
7 the Commission are the Commissioners  
8 themselves who may act through their appointed  
9 alternates. The Commissioners are the  
10 governors of the four basin states, Delaware,  
11 New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania, and on  
12 behalf of the federal government, the division  
13 commander of the North Atlantic Division of US  
14 Army Corps of Engineers.

15 I will now share my screen to show the  
16 three minute countdown timer and proceed to  
17 invite those who have registered in advance to  
18 provide their comments. It will be just a  
19 moment while I do this. All right. Thank you  
20 for your patience as I get this set up. I  
21 will attempt to let you know in advance -- a  
22 few folks in advance who will be speaking so  
23 that you can be prepared.

24 The first person I have on the list of  
25 registered speakers is John Rath. John will

1 be followed by Diana Dakey or Dakey and I  
2 apologize in advance if I get pronunciation  
3 incorrect on anyone, and then Kathryn Nguyen.  
4 So I will see if John Rath is with us today.  
5 I do see he's here. Just a moment to get you  
6 teed up. John, I will allow you to talk. You  
7 may need to unmute on your end and it's always  
8 helpful to do a sound check before you  
9 introduce yourself.

10 MR. RATH: I'm unmuted on my  
11 end.

12 MS. BOWMAN KAVANAGH: Okay. I  
13 can hear you clearly, so go ahead if you  
14 would, please, give your name and any  
15 affiliation, and then I'll start the timer.

16 MR. RATH: Sure. My name is  
17 John Rath. I live in Poughkeepsie, NY and I'm  
18 speaking on behalf of myself, who is a  
19 transplanted Texan, although originally grew  
20 up on the Great Lakes in Buffalo, NY, I've  
21 been back in Poughkeepsie for about two years  
22 totally enjoying the environment and water,  
23 the mountains, etc. While in Texas for 30  
24 years, I was smack dab in the middle of the  
25 Barnett Shale activity of fracking, and so I

1 got to witness firsthand what I'm calling  
2 unintended consequences. Well, I hope that  
3 I'm supporting the strict rules about keeping  
4 our water clean in the Delaware Basin. If  
5 not, I hope that where I'm not you'll consider  
6 tightening up the rule. Some of the  
7 unintended consequences that I personally  
8 observed was the draining of the Trinity River  
9 so that there will be water for fracking,  
10 millions and millions of gallons of water, and  
11 the unintended consequences of that was that  
12 downstream, the lower water volume made the  
13 existing toxic -- other toxic chemicals more  
14 concentrated, and, therefore, some of that --  
15 that river was then restricted for  
16 recreational activity and because the water  
17 was -- couldn't be discharged in Dallas and  
18 Tarrant Counties, it was exported to Parker  
19 and Johnson County, which were largely  
20 farming, and what that did is it basically was  
21 injected into injection wells and then there  
22 became reports of drinking wells and water  
23 used for animals that was unfit for their use,  
24 i.e. contaminated and so in comes the bottle  
25 water. Another unintended consequence is that

1 injection wells that were in East Texas, there  
2 were many reports then of birth defects from  
3 people down the roads from those injection  
4 wells and I witnessed that first hand. It was  
5 absolutely sad and terrifying, but nonetheless  
6 allowed to happen. Many people have probably  
7 heard of the increased amount of earthquakes  
8 in Oklahoma as a result of fracking and some  
9 of the injection wells and then maybe finally  
10 I have friends who were near fracking  
11 operations and the air quality. While this  
12 isn't air quality, the air quality was so poor  
13 that they had many reports of neurological and  
14 respiratory diseases, so there's nothing good  
15 about fracking and the myth of being able to  
16 recycle frack water is just that, a myth.  
17 Thank you so much for letting me speak.

18 MS. BOWMAN KAVANAGH: Thank you  
19 very much for your comments. The next  
20 registered speaker on our list is Diana Dakey.  
21 Diana will be followed by Kathryn Nguyen and  
22 then Mark DeBartolomea. I practiced this  
23 earlier and I thought I had it. DeBartolomea.  
24 Diana is here. Diana, I will allow you to  
25 talk. While you're testing your microphone, I



1 will reset the clock.

2 MS. DAKEY: Can you hear me?

3 MS. BOWMAN KAVANAGH: I can.

4 Thank you.

5 MS. DAKEY: Thank you. Good  
6 evening, Kristen Bowman Kavanaugh. I thank  
7 the Commission for this opportunity to  
8 comment. My name is Diana Dakey. I am a  
9 resident of Lackawanna County. I lived in  
10 Wayne County within the Delaware River Basin  
11 from 1980 to 1992. My husband has family in  
12 Wayne County. I regularly go to Wayne and  
13 Pike Counties to engage with family and for  
14 recreation. I care what happens in the basin.  
15 I commend the Commission for draft rules to  
16 disallow the discharge of frack wastewater  
17 within the basin. However, I have concerns  
18 that, as drafted, the rules may not be  
19 sufficiently protective. Fracking waste is  
20 hazardous, but is not classified as such due  
21 to a regulatory exemption it received to  
22 downgrade it to special back in 1980. The  
23 absence of rules from the Commission to  
24 disallow frack wastewater import into the  
25 basin can have untoward and harmful

1 consequences. My first point is that the  
2 Pennsylvania Department of Environmental  
3 Protection gives 10 year general permits for  
4 the processing and beneficial use of oil and  
5 gas liquid waste. It's called WMGR123  
6 processing and beneficial use of oil and gas  
7 liquid waste. Processing in this rule -- in  
8 this -- under this general permit includes  
9 transfer and storage. Under general permits  
10 the industry self reports. No regulators are  
11 tracking waste transfers. There are over 60  
12 of these WMGR123 permits presently across  
13 Pennsylvania. I am not aware of any counties  
14 within the basin. Nevertheless, the  
15 Commission will have no control over DEP  
16 awarding these permits. I urged the  
17 Commission to have a conversation with the  
18 Pennsylvania DEP to understand these permits  
19 and what is at risk for the basin should waste  
20 be imported to the basin under these permits.  
21 Secondly, when there is a frack wastewater  
22 spill, remediation is required and this shows  
23 you that it is hazardous. These spills are  
24 regular occurrences. The Pennsylvania  
25 bulletin is filled with remedial actions and

1 my written comments will have some of those  
2 citations. Thirdly, terminology matters. The  
3 Commission is opening itself up to legal  
4 wrangling over what is or is not a discharge,  
5 quote unquote, You can -- you can simplify  
6 that by fully banning wastewater import.  
7 Lastly, I would like to see the language  
8 tightened up to replace high volume hydraulic  
9 fracturing HVHF simply with hydraulic  
10 fracturing HF. Don't open yourself up to  
11 legal challenges. The facts, Documents sent  
12 to commenters prior to this hearing, I am  
13 pleased to read that the Commission is not  
14 planning to receive water requests for water  
15 withdrawals for fracking. Thank you.

16 MS. BOWMAN KAVANAGH: I was  
17 talking to myself again. My apologies.  
18 Before we proceed with the next speaker, I  
19 would like to note for the record that we  
20 currently have 22 attendees on the zoom  
21 webinar and I believe two attendees on the  
22 YouTube live stream. We will now go ahead and  
23 proceed with the remaining commenters on the  
24 list.

25 Next up will be Kathryn Nguyen followed

1 by Mark DeBartolomea-- Mark DeBartolomea  
2 followed by Paula Rogovin. I see Kathryn  
3 Nguyen here. Just give me a moment. Kathryn,  
4 you should be able to speak now. You may have  
5 to unmute yourself and I'd ask you to please  
6 do a sound check.

7 MS. NGUYEN: Yes, I'm doing a  
8 sound check now. Can you hear me?

9 MS. BOWMAN KAVANAGH: I can.  
10 Thank you.

11 MS. NGUYEN: And do you see me  
12 as well or just hear?

13 MS. BOWMAN KAVANAGH: It's just  
14 audio on the public.

15 MS. NGUYEN: Not a problem. I'm  
16 ready whenever.

17 MS. BOWMAN KAVANAGH: Please  
18 start.

19 MS. NGUYEN. My name is Kathryn  
20 Nguyen. I'm an East Brunswick, NJ resident.  
21 I have been declared an environment expert by  
22 the New Jersey Board of Education. Any  
23 disruption to the ecology of the Delaware  
24 River is dangerous and unacceptable. The  
25 United Nations Convention on Biological

1 Diversity, which is considered the definitive  
2 word on global ecology, has published a dire  
3 warning on the plummeting global biodiversity.  
4 This was published in September of 2020. The  
5 reduction in biodiversity is putting the  
6 global food chain in peril. Biodiversity is  
7 known as the immune system of the planet and  
8 needs to be respected. Further import or  
9 export or discharge of any fracking material  
10 from the Delaware River or poured into the  
11 Delaware River will disrupt the natural  
12 biodiversity in the Delaware River and  
13 negatively impact biodiversity. This is  
14 unacceptable and is a major reason why any  
15 fracking impact should be permanently excluded  
16 from the Delaware River Basin. Thank you.

17 MS. BOWMAN KAVANAGH: Thank you  
18 for your comments. Next on the list is Mark  
19 DeBartolomea. I do not see Mark on the list.  
20 If you were here and I'm just not seeing you,  
21 kindly raise your hand. I'll give you a  
22 moment. All right. Seeing no hand raised,  
23 we'll go to the next registered speaker.  
24 Paula Rogovin who I also do not see as  
25 present, but if you are here, kindly raise

1 your hand. Again, the raise hand feature is  
2 in the bottom center of your screen and I will  
3 give you a moment to do that if you are here  
4 and I'm just not seeing you. Seeing no hand  
5 raised, we will continue on to Nathaniel  
6 Leies. I do believe I see Nathaniel here.  
7 Let's see. Nathaniel, I have allowed you to  
8 talk. You may also need to unmute on your  
9 end.

10 MR. LEIES: Yes. Testing.

11 MS. BOWMAN KAVANAGH: Great. I  
12 can hear you.

13 MR. LEIES: Okay.

14 MS. BOWMAN KAVANAGH: So please  
15 provide your name and affiliation, if any, and  
16 then I'll start the clock.

17 MR. LEIES: Sure. My name is  
18 Nathaniel Leies. The last name is spelled  
19 L-e-i-e-s and I am a resident of Monroe  
20 County, Pennsylvania. I've actually recently  
21 moved to Virginia. However, since seven years  
22 old and I'm 25 now, I've spent all of my life  
23 living in Monroe County, Pennsylvania, which  
24 is right in the heart of the Delaware River  
25 Basin. So I'm here representing myself just

1 to speak about proposing to import and export  
2 water for fracking activities through the  
3 basin, and what I'd really like to express is  
4 that, first of all, I'm so thankful that  
5 fracking has been, you know, regulated in such  
6 a way that it's not permitted in the basin it  
7 and I applaud you for doing this. I would  
8 also like to say that if the spirit of doing  
9 this is to protect the Delaware River, to  
10 protect the health of people who live in the  
11 basin, to protect the quality of water that we  
12 drink, the air that we breathe, the land that  
13 we live on, the other species besides, you  
14 know, human beings who live in the basin, then  
15 in respecting that spirit, we need to finish  
16 the work that we've already set out on the  
17 work that you have taken great steps to  
18 protect. We need to make sure that water that  
19 is produced through fracking cannot enter the  
20 basin and cannot inadvertently enter the water  
21 or be in other ways disposed of that do not  
22 affect the groundwater. I've been reading a  
23 little bit recently that there are ways water  
24 can be evaporated or it can be stored in  
25 places that doesn't immediately enter

1 groundwater or any type of surface water in  
2 the basin and that these can have disastrous  
3 effects on air quality. You know, pollutants  
4 that enter the air can come back down to soil  
5 into water. You know, if you're storing  
6 fracked water in the basin, you know,  
7 inadvertent mistakes can happen, such as  
8 previous speakers have mentioned. You know,  
9 with any sort of fossil fuel construction that  
10 is near water or near people's homes,  
11 accidents can happen to have just grave  
12 impacts on local people and health. So really  
13 as somebody who considers Pennsylvania my  
14 home, the Delaware Basin and the Delaware  
15 River, you know, an area that I really greatly  
16 love and care for and it has so much history  
17 and heritage that's very important to my  
18 personal sense of identity, but also for the  
19 people who live in northeastern Pennsylvania,  
20 I would highly, highly encourage you to  
21 tighten your regulations to put yourself at  
22 less -- less risk of legal objections and to  
23 once and for all put the spirit of protecting  
24 the Delaware River and the basin really on the  
25 central pedestal where it needs to be. So



1 with that, I applaud the work you've done and  
2 I ask that you please finish the work and  
3 finish the projection that Pennsylvanians and  
4 everybody who relies on the Delaware River  
5 direly needs. Thank you very much for your  
6 time.

7 MS. BOWMAN KAVANAGH: Thank you  
8 for your comments. Our next two speakers are  
9 Michael Cormican and Rebecca Canwrite. I do  
10 not see either on the list of attendees right  
11 now. If I am just not seeing your name on the  
12 list, kindly use the raise hand feature. It's  
13 in the bottom center of your screen and I'll  
14 give you both a moment to do that if you're  
15 here. All Right. I'm not seeing any hands  
16 raised by those who had registered to speak  
17 for tonight. If you are present and you would  
18 like to have a chance to comment, keep in mind  
19 that we will have two more hearings next  
20 Wednesday, December 15th, 2021. You can go to  
21 our website and sign up to speak at one of  
22 those two hearings. That concludes this  
23 public hearing. Thank you to everyone for  
24 attending and on behalf of the Delaware River  
25 Basin Commission. I also want to thank those

1 of you who offered comments. As I said  
2 before, you can still register to comment at  
3 one of the two hearings scheduled for next  
4 Wednesday, December 15th, 2021, and you may  
5 also submit written comments by 5:00 PM  
6 Eastern Time on February 28, 2022. For more  
7 information, please visit the DRBC website.  
8 Have a good evening.

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C E R T I F I C A T E

I, CYNTHIA BAUERLE, a Certified Shorthand Reporter, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate transcript of testimony as taken stenographically by and before me at the time, place and on the date hereinbefore set forth, to the best of my ability.

I DO FURTHER CERTIFY that I am neither a relative nor employee nor attorney nor counsel of any of the parties to this action, and that I am neither a relative nor employee of such attorney or counsel, and that I am not financially interested in the action.



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