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MONDAY, MAY 13, 2013, 10:04 A.M.

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MEMBER SINGH: My name is Darshan Singh. I am going to be the Chairperson of this meeting. The time is 10:04 With me are the committee members Esteban Almanza and Warden Hill, Mr. Hill.

A reminder to the public, if you would like to testify today, please fill out the speaker form, and I think I already have those, and the secretary is there if you need any.

The California Prison Industry Authority is a self-supporting arm of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation that employs inmates in the production of goods and services that are sold only to governmental agencies.

This Board oversees CALPIA and is authorized to conduct public hearings under Penal Section 2808 (i). The purpose of this hearing is to receive testimony from organizations or individuals that may be affected by the item being presented today.

The following is a brief description of the procedures today. First, CALPIA staff will present the agenda item to the Board from which they are seeking approval or for which they are seeking

1 public input. Then the public will have the
2 opportunity to come up to the podium to present
3 their concerns.

4 When you come to the podium, please identify
5 yourself and your affiliation. Be specific with
6 regards to your concerns. You may provide us with
7 written information if you have not done so. The
8 committee members may ask you to clarify questions.

9 If you are a vendor, the following information
10 would be helpful to the Prison Industry Board: The
11 products and/or services sold by yours company to
12 governmental agencies during the last three years;
13 the dollar amount of the sales; the percentage of
14 your company's total business which those sales
15 represent; the purchasing agency; and the number of
16 individuals employed and the number of ex-offenders
17 employed.

18 This is the same information that was
19 requested in public notice of the hearing.

20 Mr. Pattillo.

21 MR. PATTILLO: Thank you, Mr. Singh.

22 Mr. Chairman, Mr. Almanza, Warden Hill, my
23 name is Charles Pattillo. I am the General Manager
24 of the California Prison Industry. Today I am
25 acting in my role as Executive Officer of the Prison

1 Industry Board, which I represent on your behalf.
2 With me is Assistant General Manager, Scott Walker
3 who is over the operations division.

4 Before we go any further, if I could ask the
5 Board secretary read the legality statement.

6 MS. GUARE: Good morning. This is a legal
7 hearing. The Prison Industry Board has met all of
8 the requirements of Section 2808 (i) of the
9 California Penal Code. At least ten days prior to
10 the hearing, notification was posted on the
11 California Prison Industry website and mailed to the
12 following potential vendors located in the
13 geographic area of the subject enterprises, persons
14 who have requested notification of Prison Industry
15 Board meetings, persons who have requested
16 notification of public hearings, California
17 legislators, California Central Labor Councils and
18 the Executive Secretary-Treasurer of the California
19 Labor Federation.

20 Thank you.

21 MR. PATTILLO: Thank you, Ms. Guare.

22 Today's hearing is to collect information
23 regarding the Prison Industry Authority's proposal
24 to increase the revenue limit for the sign shop that
25 is located here at Folsom State Prison. One of the

1 specific things that we put in the agenda and Board
2 Members should take into consideration is how this
3 will impact the State of California, businesses and
4 vendors in the State of California. For purposes of
5 determining that, we ask that those testifying here
6 speak to, if they are a California company, how much
7 business they do in California and specifically
8 those issues.

9 If there is no questions of me, I will turn
10 this over to Scott Walker.

11 MR. WALKER: Good morning, Mr. Chair and
12 Member Almanza. My name is Scott A. Walker,
13 Assistant General Manager of the California Prison
14 Industry Authority. I am here today to present
15 proposed limit increase for the metal sign shop,
16 located within Folsom State Prison. The California
17 Prison Industry Authority is requesting a revenue
18 limit increase of \$1.24 million from the current
19 limit of 1.26 for a total of 2.5 million.

20 The metal sign shop located within Folsom
21 Prison has been in operation for more than 30 years.
22 The metal sign shop's primary customers are the
23 California Department of Parks and Recreation,
24 California Highway Patrol, the California Department
25 of Motor Vehicles, and the California Department of

1 Corrections and Rehabilitation.

2 The primary product produced by the metal sign
3 shop is decals. Decals account for approximately 60
4 percent of the metal sign shop's revenue. The
5 decals that the metal sign shop produces is
6 off-highway vehicle stickers, CHP enforcement
7 decals, and various decals for the Department of
8 Parks and Recreation. The metal sign shop also
9 produces numerous metal signs. The metal sign shop
10 has the capability of producing both silk screen and
11 die cut signage. The primary customer for the metal
12 signs are the Department of Parks and Recreation and
13 the California Department of Corrections and
14 Rehabilitation. The metal sign shop also produces
15 various banners, plaques and braille interpretive
16 signs.

17 The metal sign shop revenues have increased
18 gradually over the past ten years. The sign shop's
19 projected revenue for fiscal year 2013-2014 is
20 projected to meet \$1.3 million. This is
21 approximately \$33,000 over current revenue limit.
22 The metal sign shop has been at or near the current
23 authorized revenue limit for the past four years.
24 The increase is due primarily to an increased demand
25 for decals. CALPIA expects that the demand for

1 decals as well as banners will continue to increase.

2 Additionally, CALPIA is preliminary in
3 conversations with the Department of Transportation
4 regarding signage for the Department. CALPIA and
5 CalTrans are still assessing the viability of the
6 CALPIA providing signage to CalTrans. If this
7 collaboration proves viable, this will provide
8 additional revenue for the metal signage shop.

9 Given the increased demand for decals and other
10 products, it is projected that the metal sign shop
11 would increase and our present product line will
12 exceed its authorized limit without this revenue
13 limit increase.

14 There are currently 28 offender assignments in
15 the metal sign shop, and it is anticipated if this
16 revenue increase is approved, an additional 10
17 offender assignments will be added to the metal sign
18 shop. Offenders assigned to the metal sign shop are
19 required to participate in the various skilled
20 certification courses. Some of the certification
21 courses offered are: the National Institute for
22 Metal Signs, NIMS; Customer Service Specialist and
23 Overton Forklift Certification, as well as
24 certifications offered by the Printing Industry of
25 American and Graphic Arts Technical Foundation.

1 Offenders are also eligible to receive internal
2 certifications through CALPIA for demonstrating
3 proficiency in various skills and knowledge related
4 to decal and metal sign production. Additionally,
5 offenders are required to participate and
6 successfully complete a GED program if they do not
7 possess a high school diploma or GED when entering
8 the program. The metal sign shop has two permanent
9 civil service staff, an Industrial Superintendent II
10 and an Industrial Supervisor.

11 Impact to the private sector. There will be
12 an increase in raw material purchased by the
13 California Prison Authority metal sign shop if the
14 revenue limit is authorized. The metal sign shop
15 currently expends \$500,000 annually in raw materials
16 and supplies, of which approximately \$350,000 or 71
17 percent are from California companies.

18 There could also be an effect to private
19 sector companies within California if additional
20 product produced by the metal sign shop were
21 produced and provided to the State by private sector
22 companies within California. CALPIA's research
23 showed that the signage in the State of California
24 generates an estimated \$1,000,000,000 revenues
25 annually, and employs approxiamtely 2,500 workers.

1 With CALPIA's proposed revenue limit increase of 1.4
2 million, for a total revenue limit of \$2.5M,
3 CALPIA's revenues would represent less than
4 one-quarter of 1 percent of the signage market in
5 the State of California.

6 I would be happy to answer any questions the
7 panel may have.

8 MEMBER SINGH: Thank you, Mr. Walker.

9 MR. WALKER: Thank you.

10 MEMBER SINGH: The first speaker is Kyle
11 Gutierrez. Please come to the podium.

12 MR. GUTIERREZ: Good morning, gentlemen. I
13 am Kyle Gutierrez with Safeway Sign Company. I am
14 here representing Mr. Troy Hill with the California
15 Chapter of American Traffic Safety Services
16 Association. I'm going to read on his behalf his
17 testimony.

18 On behalf of the California Chapter of the
19 American Traffic Safety Services Association,
20 Cal-ATSSA, I want to thank you for the opportunity
21 to provide written testimony regarding increasing
22 the statewide revenue limit for metal signs at
23 Folsom State facility in California. Again, my name
24 is Troy Hill, and I am the president of Cal-ATSSA as
25 well as the vice president of operations for

1 Sterndahl Enterprises.

2 The American Traffic Safety Services
3 Association, an international trade association, is
4 located in Fredericksburg, Virginia. Since 1969,
5 ATSSA has represented companies and individuals in
6 the traffic control and roadway safety industry.
7 Over 1,600 ATSSA members provide the majority of
8 features, services and devices used to make our
9 nation's roadways safer. These include pavement
10 markings, road signs, work zone traffic control
11 devices, guardrail, and other roadside safety
12 features. ATSSA and Cal-ATSSA's core purpose is to
13 advance roadway safety.

14 The members of Cal-ATSSA are seriously
15 concerned about this proposed increase to the
16 revenue limit as it will adversely affect numerous
17 small businesses and jobs in the State of
18 California, including potentially nearly a dozen
19 small businesses in the roadway safety
20 infrastructure industry. If this proposal were to
21 go into effect, there is a real chance that jobs
22 could be lost in an economic era where unemployment
23 is still high, especially in the construction
24 industry.

25 According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics,

1 the nationwide unemployment rate for individuals who
2 last worked in construction is currently over 13
3 percent. Nearly twice the national average of
4 unemployment.

5 Looking at California in particular, although
6 construction industry jobs have grown by 8 percent
7 over the last 12 months, the overall unemployment
8 rate for the State is at 9.4 percent as of March
9 2013, still remains higher than the national
10 average. It is also important to note that this
11 rate is the fourth highest in the nation.

12 As the testimony of some of our Cal-ATSSA
13 members will show, the proposed increase will
14 negatively impact the success and job creating
15 impact of tax-paying California companies. Some of
16 these potentially negatively affected companies are
17 also women owned businesses or enterprises and
18 disabled veteran business enterprises.

19 In addition, the Federal Highway
20 Administration has stated that convict produced
21 materials after July 1, 1991 are prohibited for use
22 on the Federal-aid highway system unless they are
23 either: Number one, produced by convicts who are on
24 parole, supervised release or probation from a
25 prison or; number two, produced in qualified prison

1 facilities with -- and the cumulative annual
2 production amount of such materials for the use in
3 federal-aid highway construction does not exceed the
4 amount of such materials produced in such facility
5 for use in federal highway construction during the
6 12-month period ending July 1, 1987. Granted, this
7 is only applicable on federal-aid highways.
8 However, it is important in this context to
9 understand the position of the federal government
10 with regard to highway construction projects.

11 In addition, the recent enactment of Moving
12 Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act clarified
13 language about this very issue. It clarifies that
14 this prohibition applies to all public highways not
15 classified as rural minor collectors or local roads.
16 FWHA continues to note that materials manufactured
17 by convict labor will not be given preferential
18 treatment and must be held to the same requirements
19 for federal-aid participation that are imposed upon
20 materials acquired from those other sources.

21 In short, even if the federal government's
22 severe restrictions are set aside, increasing
23 revenue limit for metal signs would harm local
24 California businesses and jobs at a time when
25 unemployment is still unacceptably high.

1 On behalf of Cal-ATSSA, I strongly urge you to
2 maintain current procedure and not to raise the
3 limit.

4 Thank you for your time. Thank you,
5 gentlemen.

6 MEMBER SINGH: I have a couple questions.
7 Does your company produce metal signs for this
8 state at this time?

9 MR. GUTIERREZ: My personal company,
10 Safeway Sign, does produce for the State of
11 California. However, Mr. Troy Hill --

12 MEMBER SINGH: Do you have some figure what
13 part of -- what percentage of your business is in
14 metal?

15 MR. GUTIERREZ: That will be addressed by a
16 gentleman who will be up here next.

17 MEMBER SINGH: Okay. You have another --
18 same company representative?

19 MR. GUTIERREZ: Yes.

20 MEMBER SINGH: Do you have any questions?

21 MEMBER ALMANZA: I have a question for
22 staff. Is PIA producing roadway signs for federal
23 highways right now?

24 MR. WALKER: No, no.

25 MEMBER ALMANZA: So discussion with

1 CalTrans?

2 MR. WALKER: Not for federal highway
3 projects.

4 MEMBER ALMANZA: And the signs for Parks,
5 the increased orders from Parks, is that replacing
6 their current --

7 MR. WALKER: Correct, correct. They have
8 just been a few years without ordering them, and
9 they had a backlog of signs. So we have an
10 increased order from them.

11 MEMBER ALMANZA: They are not canceling
12 orders with private business in order to do this?

13 MR. WALKER: Not that I know of.

14 MEMBER ALMANZA: Do you produce signs for
15 the Parks?

16 MR. GUTIERREZ: For the State of California
17 Parks and Recreation? I personally do not. I deal
18 with CalTrans.

19 MR. WALKER: If I can ask one clarifying
20 question. The association, is it more geared
21 towards construction or signage?

22 MR. GUTIERREZ: It's geared towards
23 construction of the industry of highway safety. So
24 that would also include signs as well. So it is the
25 umbrella, whole gamut from everybody, traffic

1 control to manufacturing of signs, to manufacturing
2 of barricades, K barrels.

3 MR. WALKER: Thank you.

4 MEMBER SINGH: Mr. Hill.

5 WARDEN HILL: No question.

6 MEMBER SINGH: Next is Michael Moore,
7 Safeway Sign Company.

8 MR. MOORE: Good morning. I am Mike Moore,
9 the president of Safeway Sign Company. Safeway Sign
10 Company has been in business since 1948, before the
11 Department of Transportation really started. We are
12 making metal signs since that time. Primarily in
13 small street sign market, before there was even
14 reflective materials.

15 We employ 48 people, and we do not employ any
16 ex-offenders at this time. For decades we have sold
17 reflective, non-reflective metal highway signs, sign
18 hardware, aluminum signs, blanks and other signs
19 related to material for the highway traffic
20 industry. To many government agencies, both
21 federal, state and local.

22 The question, metal signs, question mark on
23 that, because it really encompasses a lot of area.
24 Somewhat vague. A metal sign could be a huge sign
25 in front of a shopping mall, so to speak. We think

1 that when PIA refers to metal signs, it really is
2 referring to the highway and traffic sign market.
3 And at this time California has been our primary
4 marketplace for all of this time.

5 The number that I've heard around is more than
6 \$1,000,000,000 sign market. And that might be so
7 with every single sign in California from electric
8 to glass, wood, metal, so forth. But in reality
9 with regards to highway traffic signs, that's maybe
10 around 20-, \$25,000,000 market.

11 So with the 2.5 million that you are seeking,
12 it would be 10 to 15 percent of the California
13 marketplace, which is a huge number. Eighty percent
14 of the sales in California, of our sales, about 80
15 percent are to government agencies, which is our
16 largest customer. And we understand that the PIA
17 wants to increase and have a larger percentage of
18 the CalTrans work, which is some of our primary
19 business. That is a huge amount of our business.

20 We don't feel that it's right to take away the
21 revenues from our current business of 48 employees.
22 We'd probably have to lay off 10 to 15 employees
23 here in the state and which would increase yours by
24 ten so pretty much in the same ballpark.

25 In addition, the metal highway signage

1 business is small compared to many other industries
2 out there. So, really, in the past 40 years that I
3 have been dealing with this -- this is my third or
4 fourth hearing. We really question why the prisons
5 and PIA is constantly wanting to seek this type of
6 work in this type of small industry. It is a very
7 small, unique industry. The two main material costs
8 in the highway sign market is aluminum based and
9 reflective materials. And these two components make
10 up about 70 to 80 percent of the selling price.
11 Very competitive market place. There isn't a lot of
12 room, and there isn't a lot of extra room for
13 overhead and margins. So those two components are
14 very, very high.

15 So at this time I really want to say Safeway
16 Sign Company is against this proposed increase by
17 the CALPIA prison sign shop. It would really affect
18 us and take 25 to 30 percent of our business and
19 workforce. This is a huge impact on our company.

20 Thank you very much for the opportunity to
21 speak.

22 MEMBER SINGH: You said 25 to 30 percent of
23 your employees work on metal, metal signs?

24 MR. MOORE: Metal signs, which is our
25 primary business.

1 MEMBER SINGH: What percentage of your
2 business do these sales represent? What percentage
3 of the total sales?

4 MR. MOORE: About 80 percent.

5 MEMBER SINGH: Eighty percent?

6 MR. MOORE: Eighty percent.

7 MEMBER SINGH: Does your company produce
8 decals for the State of California?

9 MR. MOORE: Very, very few. I don't
10 consider decals metal signs. We do some, but it
11 isn't -- it's not where the focus of the sales comes
12 from.

13 MEMBER SINGH: Thank you, thank you.

14 Mr. Almanza.

15 MEMBER ALMANZA: No, I'm good.

16 MEMBER SINGH: Mr. Hill.

17 Mr. Walker.

18 MR. WALKER: One clarifying question. You
19 testified at several hearings?.

20 MR. MOORE: Well, through the past 35
21 years.

22 MR. WALKER: We haven't had a public
23 hearing for this in nine years, so it wasn't PIA.

24 MR. MOORE: It was other prisons, looking
25 at prison sign shops before related to the

1 California prison, not PIA but corrections.

2 MEMBER SINGH: Thank you.

3 MR. MOORE: Thank you, gentlemen.

4 MEMBER SINGH: Ben Lemcke.

5 MR. LEMCKE: Lemcke. Good morning. Thank
6 you very much for allowing me to read the testimony
7 on behalf of Zumar Industries. I am Ben Lemcke,
8 president and CEO of Zumar Industries.

9 Zumar Industries is a third generation,
10 privately owned business located in Santa Fe
11 Springs, California. Over 65 years ago our business
12 was founded and sustained by city, county and state
13 government in traffic sign sales. Zumar has held
14 state contracts for 40-plus years and maintains
15 sales with over 150 cities and counties throughout
16 the state. We currently hold the large ground
17 mounted, overhead guidance sign contract.

18 Although Zumar sells other products which are
19 signs and hardware, the core manufactured items are
20 traffic signs, making up more than 50 percent of our
21 total revenue. Zumar Industries employees 75 and a
22 hundred people, depending on time. We're
23 responsible for those workers and family members for
24 a good wage and safe environment for work every day.
25 Zumar and other manufacturers throughout the State

1 of California have survived a very rough business
2 climate over the past five years. We are just
3 starting to hire again and grow our business.

4 I don't need to explain to you how healthy
5 businesses contribute to state services, but I will
6 tell you Zumar Industries pays a tremendous amount
7 of taxes. The impact of this increase of revenue
8 limit will be detrimental to our business. As a
9 business owner, I would not expand or grow the
10 company. In fact, I would contemplate cutting our
11 workforce. The companies we purchase supplies from
12 would be hurt, and the freight carriers we move
13 product with would see revenue decrease.

14 In all, your decision is going to affect
15 thousands of families. Ultimately, you are taking
16 away from the people of this state what they value
17 most, a job, so that they may take care of their
18 family and be a valued member of the community. I
19 would strongly request that you do not increase the
20 revenue limit for metal signage at Folsom State
21 Prison.

22 Thank you.

23 MEMBER SINGH: So your company -- I have a
24 couple questions. You make metal signs?

25 MR. LEMCKE: Yes.

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MEMBER SINGH: The percentage of your business?

MR. LEMCKE: Fifty to 60.

MEMBER SINGH: How many employees do you have?

MR. LEMCKE: Seventy-five. It can go up depending on --

MEMBER SINGH: And you produce decals?

MR. LEMCKE: Some, yes.

MEMBER SINGH: Some. What does that mean? Can you explain?

MR. LEMCKE: Not very many.

MEMBER SINGH: Do you supply any --

MR. LEMCKE: Yes. I can't put a number on it, but it's not a lot. We do produce some.

MEMBER SINGH: What percentage of the business is decals?

MR. LEMCKE: Very small. Less than 1 percent.

MEMBER SINGH: Less 1 percent?

MR. LEMCKE: Less than 1 percent.

MEMBER SINGH: Thank you.

Mr. Almanza.

MEMBER ALMANZA: I have a question for staff. So does the requested increase of about 1.3

1 million, how much of that do you anticipate would be
2 traffic signs?

3 MR. WALKER: Very little, if any. We are
4 looking at this and exploring this with CalTrans.
5 We had conversations, but it doesn't look real
6 promising. Both of that revenue -- I don't have the
7 exact number. The bulk - 90, 95 percent - would not
8 come from traffic and roadway signs. It is a very
9 intense market, as we can see. And certainly that
10 is not our focus to go in that direction. We
11 probably overstated in the documents saying 600,000.
12 That was just the universe of what the potential was
13 out there.

14 On further review, that number is going to be
15 much, much smaller if we even go down that road. So
16 that 90 or 95 percent is in decals, banners,
17 plaques, braille interpretive signs, et cetera, et
18 cetera. Traffic road signs are a whole other
19 program.

20 MEMBER ALMANZA: For the Parks?

21 MR. WALKER: We do most of the parks and
22 have been for as long as I've been around, 27 years.
23 That's certainly one of our core competencies.
24 There is a good relationship between us and parks.
25 We will continue to do the one for Parks and

1 Recreation

2 MR. PATTILLO: We are hoping that they find
3 some cash this year.

4 MEMBER ALMANZA: So 1.3 million, the 10
5 percent, ended up being some form of traffic or
6 highway signs. We are talking about a hundred
7 thousand or so?

8 MR. PATTILLO: We are talking about the
9 specific signs.

10 If I can get a clarified question, maybe I can
11 answer. Fifty percent of your business is signs?

12 MR. LEMCKE: Yes.

13 MR. PATTILLO: Of that 50 percent, how much
14 of that is overhead signage, which is your
15 specialty?

16 MR. LEMCKE: Probably 10 to 15 percent.

17 MR. PATTILLO: Is overhead signs not your
18 primary market?

19 MR. LEMCKE: No.

20 MR. PATTILLO: The rest of it is city and
21 county?

22 MR. LEMCKE: Yes.

23 MR. PATTILLO: How much of your state
24 business is actual non-overhead signs?

25 MR. LEMCKE: Ten percent.

1 MR. PATTILLO: So we're talking about 10
2 percent out there is probably the volume of what
3 he's got there. And you're about, annually, about
4 \$15,000,000 a year?

5 MR. LEMCKE: Less than that.

6 MR. PATTILLO: I have a couple other
7 questions if you are done.

8 Mr. Hill, I'm sorry.

9 WARDEN HILL: No.

10 MR. PATTILLO: Couple more questions.

11 MEMBER SINGH: Yes.

12 MR. PATTILLO: Are you a California company
13 or Washington company? Your paperwork comes back
14 that you are registered in Washington.

15 MR. LEMCKE: We're incorporated in
16 Washington and owned by Washington.

17 MR. PATTILLO: Doesn't say you're a
18 subsidiary of Washington. You're a subsidiary of a
19 Washington company?

20 MR. LEMCKE: Yes.

21 MR. PATTILLO: It's not showing up that
22 that is the case.

23 That is all I have.

24 MEMBER SINGH: You are incorporated in
25 Washington? Where is your headquarters?

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MR. LEMCKE: Washington.

MEMBER SINGH: What is the percentage of your employees that work in California?

MR. LEMCKE: Fifty.

MEMBER SINGH: Fifty percent?

MR. LEMCKE: Yes.

MEMBER SINGH: What location is that?

MR. LEMCKE: Santa Fe Springs, California.

MEMBER SINGH: Okay. Thank you.

I have -- next one is Phil Vermeulen.

MR. VERMEULEN: Good morning. Phil Vermeulen. I represent the Flasher Barricade Association of California. I have approximately 45 members here in California.

Unfortunately, I just received this notice on Thursday. Sent a letter out to my membership asking -- because I have many members that do produce signs, including Zumar, which has testified. I don't have any details today to provide you today in terms of what kind of impact this would be.

Obviously, with that quick turnaround my pledge to you is to push this week. Get that information to. And I will provide it in a written statement.

I wish I had more to offer, but, as I said,

1 unfortunately, I just got the notice on Thursday.
2 So it is kind of an emergency sent out to the
3 membership, and I didn't hear back yet. I apologize
4 for that.

5 MEMBER SINGH: How many members do you
6 represent?

7 MR. VERMEULEN: About 45 throughout the
8 State of California.

9 MEMBER SINGH: In the State of California?

10 MR. VERMEULEN: Correct.

11 MEMBER SINGH: We are going to have a board
12 meeting on June 21st, Friday. Can your members
13 come?

14 MR. VERMEULEN: Absolutely.

15 MEMBER SINGH: We would like to hear from
16 them.

17 MR. VERMEULEN: Thank you. This will be
18 here, the meeting?

19 MEMBER SINGH: Yes. Friday at 10:00.

20 MR. VERMEULEN: Excellent.

21 MEMBER SINGH: You can answer all our
22 questions then.

23 MR. VERMEULEN: Unfortunately, this is the
24 blind leading the blind here. I wish I had a little
25 more to offer, but I don't because of quick

1 turnaround. So, as I say, my plan is that I will
2 get that to you.

3 MEMBER SINGH: Please notify everybody.

4 MR. VERMEULEN: Absolutely. Thank you very
5 much.

6 MEMBER SINGH: Anybody who has not filled
7 out this form, but wants to speak at this time?
8 Anybody?

9 Okay.

10 So thank you. Thank you very much for your
11 presentation and the testimony received today will
12 be considered by the full Prison Industry Board at
13 our next meeting on Friday, June 21st, 2013, at
14 10:00 at the same location.

15 And so thank you very much.

16 Is there a motion to adjourn?

17 MEMBER ALMANZA: Move adjournment.

18 WARDEN HILL: Second.

19 (Public hearing concluded at 10:37 a.m.)

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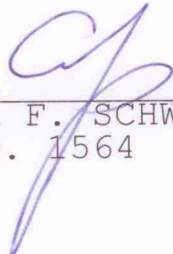
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5 COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO) ss.

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8 I, ESTHER F. SCHWARTZ, certify that I was the
9 official Court Reporter for the proceedings named
10 herein, and that as such reporter, I reported in
11 verbatim shorthand writing those proceedings;

12 That I thereafter caused my shorthand writing
13 to be reduced to printed format, and the pages
14 numbered 3 through 28 herein constitute a complete,
15 true and correct record of the proceedings.

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17 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have subscribed this
18 certificate at Sacramento, California, on this 6th
19 day of June, 2013.

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