# **Committee on Energy and Commerce**

U.S. House of Representatives
Witness Disclosure Requirement - "Truth in Testimony"
Required by House Rule XI, Clause 2(g)(5)

<ol> <li>Your Name: Valerie J.M. Brader</li> <li>Your Title: Executive Director, Michigan Agency for Energy</li> </ol>				
2. Your Title: Executive Director, Michigan Agency for Energy				
3. The Entity(ies) You are Representing: Michigan Agency for Energy, State of Michigan				
4. Are you testifying on behalf of the Federal, or a State or local government entity?	Yes X	No		
5. Please list any Federal grants or contracts, or contracts or payments ori foreign government, that you or the entity(ies) you represent have receiv January 1, 2015. Only grants, contracts, or payments related to the sub the hearing must be listed. Please see attached.	ed on or	after		
6. Please attach your curriculum vitae to your completed disclosure form.				
Signature: Date: Ff.	ine 17	-		



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#### Valerie JM Brader Attachment to Witness Discloser Requirement – "Truth in Testimony" Question 5

Award Number	Grant	Effective Dates	Amount
DE-FOA- 0001509	State Heating Oil & Propane Program (SHOPP)	8/15/2016 through 8/24/2017	\$18,803.00
DE- EI0001368	State Heating Oil & Propane Program (SHOPP)	9/15/2011 through 9/14/2016	\$8,232.00
DE- EE0006226	Promoting Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy in Michigan	10/1/2013 through 9/30/2016	\$1,243,620.00
DE- EE0006502	SEP Competitive Grants	2/1/2014 through 1/31/2016	\$400,000.00
DE- EE0006881	SEP Competitive Cooperative Agreement	12/19/2014 through 12/31/2016	\$255,630.00
DE- El0002978	State Heating Oil & Propane Program (SHOPP)	9/15/2016 through 9/14/2021	\$8,352.91
DE- El0003032	State Heating Oil & Propane Program (SHOPP)	9/15/2016 through 9/14/2021	\$8,352.91
DE- EE0007478	SEP Formula Grant	10/1/2016 through 9/30/2017	\$1,326,310.00

### VALERIE J. M. BRADER

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#### **EDUCATION**

J.D., 2003 Georgetown University (visited for 3<sup>rd</sup> year at Univ. of Michigan)

magna cum laude, Order of the Coif. Second prize, Pacific Legal

Foundation nationwide writing contest. Dean's List.

M.St. in Historical Research,

2000

University of Oxford (Rhodes Scholar)

Thesis: Women's suffrage successes on the U.S. and Australian

frontiers.

M.Sc. in Environmental Change and Management, 1999

University of Oxford (Rhodes Scholar)

Thesis: Soil erosion models and their use in sediment pollution

regulation.

A.B., 1998

Harvard University and Radcliffe College

magna cum laude in Government. Managing Editor, The Harvard Crimson. First recipient, Harvard College Women's Leadership Award. Radcliffe Presidential Commendation. Dean's List.

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

Michigan Agency for Energy (Lansing, Michigan)

Executive Director (Cabinet member), May 2015-present

As Executive Director, led energy policy for the state. Led agency with approximately 50 direct employees and a budget of more than \$13M; came in under budget each year. Chief negotiator for new comprehensive energy reform legislation garnering bi-partisan support of more than two-thirds of legislators in both chambers. Primary responsibility for state response to energy emergencies, with experience handling petroleum shortages, wide-scale electrical outages, and physical and cyber threats to critical infrastructure. Agency participates as stakeholder in PJM and MISO markets, has grant making and audit responsibilities for federal and state funds, and provides customer service, including outreach and a call center.

♦ Office of Governor Rick Snyder, R-Michigan (Lansing, Michigan)

Deputy Legal Counsel and Sr. Policy Advisor, Aug. 2011-May 2015, Sr. Counsel, Jan. 2016-present

Lead attorney for Detroit bankruptcy and advisor on energy and environmental policy. Lead negotiator for legal settlements involving power plants, including multi-party agreements that resolved federal and state cases and provided for large power plant replacement. Gave state legislative testimony and was the administration's chief negotiator on legislation including utility regulation, mining taxation, the Detroit public lighting authority package, and low income heating assistance restoration. Preparation of executive orders. Returned to lead legal response to Flint water crisis in Jan. 2016-Apr. 2016, and continue to provide periodic legal support on that matter and issues relating to Detroit bankruptcy. Service with the administration began as Chief Energy Policy Officer at the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (Aug.-Dec. 2011).

• Bodman, PLC (Ann Arbor and Detroit, Michigan)

Member (Partner) in Corporate and Environmental practice groups, Apr. 2007-August 2011

Represented clients in a variety of matters including environmental compliance, incentives and tax credits for Brownfield and other redevelopment projects, and corporate compliance and organization (including certification as a woman- or minority-owned business). Served as Judicial Adjunct (a type of Special Master) in longstanding Clean Water Act case; youngest person in the country to serve the court in this fashion. Successful representation of corporate clients including a Fortune 500 company that obtained more than \$5 million in tax incentives to establish a new Michigan facility.

#### ♦ Hon. John Feikens, U.S. District Court (Detroit, Michigan)

Clerk, Aug. 2003-Feb. 2007 (Career Clerkship)

Advise judge on upcoming cases and draft memos, opinions and orders, including those for Sixth Circuit. Large water quality case load, including a large class action settlement and two longstanding consent judgments. Served as bailiff for jury trials.

#### ♦ Booz Allen Hamilton (McLean, Virginia)

Senior Consultant on Energy and Environment Team, full time, Sept. 2001-July 2002; Continued from Michigan for subsidiary ASE, part time, Sept. 2002-July 2003

Authored technical documents supporting Clean Water Act rulemaking, researched state regulations, managed database, and re-engineered business processes. Won internal awards for database management and general on-site support to clients.

#### • Office of Governor Philip E. Batt, R-Idaho (Boise, Idaho)

Editorial Assistant for memoirs, Summer of 1999; Staff Assistant for Natural Resources, Summer of 1998; Intern/Policy Aide, Summer of 1996

Prepared applicable policy statements, speeches, testimony, letters, and press releases, as well as a weekly report to the Governor on developments in the issue area. Represented the office at meetings.

#### ♦ Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (Boise, Idaho)

Environmental Trainee, Summers of 1997 and 1999

Drafted the state's first Continuing Planning Process under the Clean Water Act and a guide to using models to set regulations. Assisted in rework of water quality criteria and endangered species issues.

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

 Congress' Pet: Why the Clean Air Act's Favoritism of California Is Unconstitutional under the Equal Footing Doctrine

Published in issue 13.1 of the Hastings West-Northwest Journal of Environmental Law & Policy.

- No Second Class States: Why the California Exceptions in the Clean Air Act Are Unconstitutional Article published in *Environmental Law Reporter News & Analysis*. 36 ELR 10624 (Aug. 2006).
- ♦ Shell Games: Vicarious Liability for State and Local Governments for Insufficiently Protective Regulations Under the ESA (Endangered Species Act)

Article published in University of New Mexico's Natural Resources Journal, 45:1 NAT. RESOURCES J. 103 (2005).

## ♦ The Limits of Erosion Modeling: or why we should proceed with care Co-authored chapter of Landscape Erosion and Evolution Modeling (Kluwer Publishers, 2002).

♦ Blueprint for a Phased TMDL (Total Maximum Daily Load)

Presented and published at 2002 National Defense Industrial Association Environmental & Energy Symposium & Exhibition.

#### ♦ Complying with Surface Water Regulations Through Pollution Prevention

Presented and published at 2001 Joint Services Pollution Prevention and Hazardous Waste Management Conference.

#### **COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

Presently serve as a board member of the Midwest Energy Efficiency Alliance. Past involvement includes board roles for the Women's Caring Program (Secretary), Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church (Vice President), and Harvard Club of Eastern Michigan (President).