Committee on Energy and Commerce

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Jeffery Steers 1. Your Name: No Are you testifying on behalf of the Federal, or a State or local Yes government entity? Yes No 3. Are you testifying on behalf of an entity that is not a government entity? 4. Other than yourself, please list which entity or entities you are representing; Association of state and Territorial Social Waste Management Officials (ASTSWMO) 5. Please list any Federal grants or contracts (including subgrants or subcontracts) that you or the entity you represent have received on or after October 1, 2011: RT-83500901-0 TR-83499501-2 9PA US-33534501 45-83537701 6. If your answer to the question in item 3 in this form is "yes," please describe your position or representational capacity with the entity or entities you are representing: President, Board of Directors (No' 7. If your answer to the question in item 3 is "yes," do any of the entities Yes disclosed in item 4 have parent organizations, subsidiaries, or partnerships that you are not representing in your testimony? 8. If the answer to the question in item 3 is "yes," please list any Federal grants or contracts (including subgrants or subcontracts) that were received by the entities listed under the question in item 4 on or after October 1, 2011, that exceed 10 percent of the revenue of the entities in the year received, including the source and amount of each grant or contract to be listed: TR-83499501-02 EPA US-83537001-01 @174,327 \$194,974 9. Please attach your curriculum vitae to your completed disclosure form. Date: 5-15-13 Signature

Jeffery Steers

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

<u>Virginia Department of Environmental Quality</u> - Richmond, Virginia Director- Division of Land Protection & Revitalization, 2010 to present

Manage administering the solid and hazardous regulatory programs, Superfund, voluntary remediation programs, groundwater and risk assessment programs and the Department's tank and petroleum programs

- Serve as a member of the Department's Leadership Team
- > Provide strategic policy direction on matter related to waste management issues for the Commonwealth
- Represent Virginia in national and regional organizations on waste management issues.
- > Work with US EPA and other stakeholders in seeking out solutions on program issues
- > Develop and maintain a high performing staff
- > Manage program budget ensuring resources are being used in an effective and efficient manner.

Virginia Department of Environmental Quality - Richmond, Virginia Director- Office of Waste Permitting & Compliance, 2009 to 2010

Manage the solid and hazardous waste regulatory programs ensuring consistent and timely implementation of goals, commitments and strategic priorities Engaged in stakeholder review and implementation of programs with regulated facilities.

- Manage supervisors and staff conducting routine review of work product, recruiting and performance management
- > Track program commitments to ensure effectively meeting all federal and state program metrics.
- > Problem solving with regional office and central office staff ensuring timely solutions to program issues
- Provide appropriate level of outreach to stakeholder involvement, both internal and external to the Department
- Manage program budget ensuring resources are being used in an effective and efficient manner.

JFNew & Associates- Cincinnati, Ohio Regional Manager, 2007 to 2009

Manage all aspects of a regional office for an ecological consulting firm offering wetland and stream regulatory permitting and restoration/mitigation services in several states. Duties include:

- > Manage day-to-day office operations supervising professional and administrative staff.
- Serve as a member of the company's Services Leadership Team, overseeing operations and strategic planning.
- Provide technical oversight for Section 401/404 permitting, stormwater permitting, mitigation design and aquatic resource monitoring.
- Managed all 401/401 permitting and restoration projects for a large national retail chain
- Lead all aspects of project management on complex projects
- > Develop scopes of work and proposals, track success/hit rate, prospect follow-up

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Virginia Department of Environmental Quality - Woodbridge, Virginia Regional Director, 2003 to 2007

Direct the day-to-day operations of the state environmental regulatory office to ensure the efficient use of human and fixed asset resources while ensuring appropriate management of air, water, and waste environmental programs. The Northern Virginia regional office is responsible for protecting the health and environment for nearly 2 million residents.

- Manage all administrative and technical program aspects for state regulatory agency regional office with 100 + professional staff of engineers, scientist, attorneys and support personnel..
- Participate in agency wide implementation of strategic planning efforts including workforce development, succession planning, and continuity of operations.
- > Develop and direct process improvement opportunities both internal and external to the agency.
- Implement innovative programs in coordination with the US EPA (e.g. lean manufacturing, Project Excel, EMS/ISO 14001, programs pollution prevention.)
- Provide general public outreach regarding the role of state government in environmental protection, including handling media relations for print and broadcast media.
- Develop contacts with business, industry and local governments throughout Virginia, including coordinating small business assistance programs in northern Virginia.

<u>Ohio Environmental Protection Agency</u> – Bowling Green, Ohio *Assistant District Chief, 1994 to 2003*

Directed the day-to-day regulatory operations of the Northwest District Office consisting of six divisions and more than 100 employees. Oversaw the development and execution of goals and objectives for district office with a diverse array of responsibilities..

- Provide leadership to 100 + professional managers, engineers and scientists in implementing the Clean Air Act, Clean Water Act, Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, Safe Drinking Water Act and Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation Liability Act (Superfund).
- Direct leadership on significant environmental investigations, coordinating resources of various federal and state agencies and private companies.
- > Develop technical and process improvement training programs for staff.
- > Provide general public outreach regarding the role of state government in environmental protection.
- Negotiated agency/union grievances and contract issues and instrumental in multiple departmental mergers.
- Represent the agency to various print and broadcast media on environmental issues.
- Negotiate air-permitting activity with large industrial development projects including PSD, Title V and NSR.

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<u>Ohio Environmental Protection Agency</u> – Bowling Green, Ohio *RCRA Hazardous Waste Program Manager*, 1986-1994

Responsible for the RCRA Hazardous Waste Management Division of the Northwest District Office which included managing personnel, developing and implementing policy, problem solving complex permitting and compliance issues, compiling statistical reports, and providing technical advice program issues to senior management.

- Manage hazardous waste permitting and compliance/inspection staff.
- Providing technical guidance to variety of hazardous waste management facilities including petroleum refining, integrated chemical manufacturing, agribusiness, metal finishing/coating operations, large integrated automotive manufacturing facilities.
- Ensure all staff trained in health and safety matter, ensure safety equipment and PPE in good working order;
- > Develop training programs for staff on applicability of hazardous waste regulations;
- > Develop outreach-training programs for the regulated community.

<u>Ohio Environmental Protection Agency</u> – Bowling Green, Ohio *Environmental Engineer* 1982-1986

Serve as a wastewater engineer in the Division of Water Pollution Control, ensuring permitting and compliance with the Clean Water Act.

- Review detailed engineering plans and specifications for industrial and municipal wastewater treatment plants.
- Develop permits for wastewater discharges under the federal National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System program.
- Work with Publicly Owned Treatment Plants to develop industrial pretreatment programs to address industrial Conduct compliance evaluation inspections of municipal and industrial wastewater treatment facilities.
- > Develop and implement training programs for regulated community.
- Represent the Agency director before local government bodies.

EDUCATION

Virginia Commonwealth University - Richmond, Virginia (2003)

Public Administration/ Executive Institute Leadership

University of Toledo, - Toledo, Ohio (1982)

✤ Bachelor of Science Civil/Environmental Engineering

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Association of State Territorial Solid Waste Management Officials

Serving as President

Solid Waste Association of North America- Virginia Chapter

Serving as Board Member