

COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES
113th Congress Disclosure Form
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the Rules of the Committee on Natural Resources

Subcommittee in Energy and Mineral Resources
Oversight hearing on
"America's Mineral Resources: Creating Mining and Manufacturing Jobs and Securing America"
and a legislative hearing on:

- HR 1063 (Lamborn), *"National Strategic and Critical Minerals Policy Act of 2013"*
- HR 687 (Gosar/Kirkpatrick), *"Southeast Arizona Land Exchange and Conservation Act of 2013"*
- HR 697 (Heck), *"Three Kids Mine Remediation and Reclamation Act"*
- HR 761 (Amodei), *"Critical and Strategic Minerals Production Act"*
- HR 767 (Cramer), To amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to modify the Pilot Project offices of the Federal Permit Streamlining Pilot Project.
- HR 957 (Lummis), *"American Soda Ash Competitiveness Act"*
- HR 981 (Johnson of GA and Markey), *"Resource Assessment of Rare Earths Act of 2013"*

March 21, 2013

For Individuals:

1. Name: Harry Melander
2. Address: [Information redacted for privacy]
3. Email Address: [Information redacted for privacy]
4. Phone Number: [Information redacted for privacy]

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For Witnesses Representing Organizations:

1. Name: Harry Melander
2. Name of Organization(s) You are Representing at the Hearing:
Minnesota Building and Construction Trades Council
3. Business Address: [Information redacted for privacy]
4. Business Email Address: [Information redacted for privacy]
5. Business Phone Number: [Information redacted for privacy]

For all Witnesses

Name/Organization: Harry Melander / Minnesota State Building & Construction Trades Council

Title/Date of Hearing: Oversight hearing on "America's Mineral Resources: Creating Mining and Manufacturing Jobs and Securing America" and a legislative hearing on 7 bills

a. Any training or educational certificates, diplomas or degrees or other educational experiences that are relevant to your qualifications to testify on or knowledge of the subject matter of the hearing.

Harry Melander has completed graduate studies from the University of Minnesota and the University of Oregon, as well as degree programs from the University of Wisconsin-Stout, and a B.S. in Technology/Education as well as vocational training from the MN Department of Labor/Division of Voluntary Apprenticeship Carpentry

b. Any professional licenses, certifications, or affiliations held that are relevant to your qualifications to testify on or knowledge of the subject matter of the hearing.

N.A.

c. Any employment, occupation, ownership in a firm or business, or work-related experiences that relate to your qualifications to testify on or knowledge of the subject matter of the hearing.

Harry Melander is the President of the Minnesota State Building & Construction Trades Council, which advocates for Unionized Construction in the State of Minnesota. He has also held positions as the Executive Secretary for the St. Paul Building & Construction Trades Council in St. Paul, MN and has worked for the Council of Carpenters since 1986.

d. Any federal grants or contracts (including subgrants or subcontracts) from the Department of the Interior (and/or other agencies invited) that you have received in the current year and previous four years, including the source and the amount of each grant or contract.

N.A.

e. A list of all lawsuits or petitions filed by you against the federal government in the current year and the previous four years, giving the name of the lawsuit or petition, the subject matter of the lawsuit or petition, and the federal statutes under which the lawsuits or petitions were filed.

N.A.

f. A list of all federal lawsuits filed against you by the federal government in the current year and the previous four years, giving the name of the lawsuit, the subject matter of the lawsuit, and the federal statutes under which the lawsuits were filed.

N.A.

g. Any other information you wish to convey that might aid the Members of the Committee to better understand the context of your testimony.

N.A.

Witnesses Representing Organizations

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h. Any offices, elected positions, or representational capacity held in the organization(s) on whose behalf you are testifying.

President, Minnesota State Building & Construction Trades Council

i. Any federal grants or contracts (including subgrants or subcontracts) from the *Department of the Interior (and /or other agencies invited)* that were received in the current year and previous four years by the organization(s) you represent at this hearing, including the source and amount of each grant or contract for each of the organization(s).

N.A.

j. A list of all lawsuits or petitions filed by the organization(s) you represent at the hearing against the federal government in the current year and the previous four years, giving the name of the lawsuit or petition, the subject matter of the lawsuit or petition, and the federal statutes under which the lawsuits or petitions were filed for each of the organization(s).

N.A.

k. A list of all federal lawsuits filed against the organization(s) you represent at the hearing by the federal government in the current year and the previous four years, giving the name of the lawsuit, the subject matter of the lawsuit, and the federal statutes under which the lawsuits were filed.

N.A.

l. For tax-exempt organizations and non-profit organizations, copies of the three most recent public IRS Form 990s (including Form 990-PF, Form 990-N, and Form 990-EZ) for each of the organization(s) you represent at the hearing (not including any contributor names and addresses or any information withheld from public inspection by the Secretary of the Treasury under 26 U.S.C. 6104)).

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Employment Experience:

Minnesota State Building & Construction Trades Council, 2009- Present
President

- Advocate for the Unionized Construction in the State of Minnesota
- Responsible for coordinating the lobbying effort of Building Trades Unions in Minnesota

St. Paul Building & Construction Trades Council, St. Paul, MN 2006-Present
Executive Secretary

- Responsible for legislative, community and it's education agenda for 24 affiliated unions
- Lead negotiator for site-based labor agreements
- Responsible for creative and coordinating recruitment of under-represented communities in the Construction Industry

Business Representative 1997-2006
Southern District Council of Carpenters, St. Paul, MN 1994-1996

Community Outreach/Program Development

- Responsible for recruitment within minority communities and methods to create gender balance in the construction industry
- Program administrator for PAY: Program For Apprenticeable Youth
- Developed and coordinated St. Paul Central High School's Building Technology Academy

Minnesota Statewide District Council of Carpenters, St. Paul, Minnesota 1986- 1994

Human Resources/Training/Research

- Developed personnel policy for staff and affiliates
- Participated in negotiations and grievance proceedings
- Managed budget, financial regulations, benefit plans, and participated in negotiations and grievance proceedings
- Created personnel training programs for staff and members

McGough Construction, St. Paul, MN 1984-1986

Construction Layout, Carpentry

- Responsible for placement of commercial structures and their components in relationship to architectural specifications
- Provided traditional carpentry duties

Eastern Iowa Community College, Muscatine, IA 1978-1984

Instructor, Building Technology Department, Building Technology Classes

- Provided leadership for one of three major divisions within college
- Instructor of Construction Engineering and Building Compliance classes
- Responsible for construction and maintenance of campus-owned projects, including single-family homes and campus instructional facilities
- Negotiated instructional staff contract, handled grievance proceedings

Education:

Graduate Studies

University of Minnesota 1987

University of Oregon, 1986

Degree Program

University of Wisconsin-Stout, 1978

B.S. Technology/Education

Vocational

MN Department of Labor/Division of Voluntary Apprenticeship Carpentry 1978

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Civic Participation:

- Metropolitan Council (District 12) 2011
- Saint Paul Riverfront Corporation Board Member 2007-Present
- St. Paul District Energy Board 2009-Present
- Union Bank & Trust Board Member 2008-Present
- Metropolitan Council: Central Corridor Business Advisory Committee 2008-2009
- Saint Paul Port Authority Board Member 2007- Present
- Saint Paul College General Advisory Board 2006-Present
- St. Paul Chamber of Commerce: Ford Plant Advisory Board 2006
- Metropolitan Council: Housing Advisory Commission 2004-2005
- Serve Minnesota 1999-2006
- St. Paul Workforce Development Board 1998-1999
- Washington County Housing Redevelopment Authority *Chair* 1998-1999
- St. Paul Urban League 1997-1999
- Washington County Board of Adjustment *Chair* 1996-Present
- 916 Foundation 1996-1999
- Twin City Housing & Redevelopment Corp. *Chair* 1995-Present
- Mahtomedi Park Commission 1995-1998
- Phalen Corridor Initiative 1994-2006
- State Commission for National & Community Service 1994-2004
- University of Minnesota: Labor Relations Advisory Board 1992-1996
- Mahtomedi School District: Transportation, Technology Committee 1989-1994
- Weatherization Research and Production Inc. *Chair* 1989-1994
- Washington County Planning Commission *Chair* 1988-1996
- Governor's Commission for Affordable Housing in the 90's 1988-1989