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Direct Testimony of Shelley Keeney

On behalf of

Noranda Aluminum, Inc.

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STATE OF MISSOURI)
COUNTY OF Cole) SS

Affidavit of Shelley Keeney

I, Shelley Keeney, being first duly sworn, on my oath state:

1. My name is Shelley Keeney. I am a Member of the Missouri House of Representatives, representing the 145th District. My address is Rt. 2, Box 3140, Marble Hill, MO 63764.
2. Attached hereto and made a part hereof for all purposes is my direct testimony, which was prepared in written form for introduction into evidence in Missouri Public Service Commission Case No. _____.
3. I hereby swear and affirm that the testimony is true and correct.

Shelley Keeney
Shelley Keeney

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2nd day of December, 2013.



LAURIE NOWACK
My Commission Expires
January 28, 2017
Cole County
Commission #13659152

Laurie Nowack
Notary Public

1 Q PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS.

2 A My name is Shelley Keeney. My address is Rt. 2 Box 3140, Marble Hill, MO
3 63764.

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5 Q WHAT ELECTED POSITION DO YOU HOLD?

6 A I am a member of the Missouri House of Representatives, and I represent the
7 145th District.

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9 Q HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN A MISSOURI STATE REPRESENTATIVE?

10 A I was first elected in 2008 and have served for 5 years.

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12 Q WHERE IS THE 145th DISTRICT?

13 A The 145th district includes Bollinger, Madison and Perry Counties.

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15 Q DOES NORANDA ALUMINUM, INC., OPERATE A SMELTER IN THE
16 DISTRICT THAT YOU REPRESENT?

17 A The Noranda Aluminum plant is located in New Madrid County in Southeast
18 Missouri. My district is also a part of Southeast Missouri, and the plant is
19 important to the entire region.

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21 Q WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR TESTIMONY?

22 A To provide information about how important the Noranda smelter is to the people
23 of Southeast Missouri, including my constituents.

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1 Q ARE YOU FAMILIAR WITH THE OPERATIONS AT THE NORANDA PLANT IN
2 SOUTHEAST MISSOURI?

3 A Yes. I am familiar with the Noranda plant. Although it is not located in my
4 district, it is nearby and I am acquainted with people who work at the plant.
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6 Q DO YOU HAVE ANY COMMENTS THAT YOU WOULD YOU LIKE TO SHARE
7 WITH THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
8 REGARDING THE ECONOMIC IMPACT OF NORANDA'S OPERATIONS IN
9 SOUTHEAST MISSOURI?

10 A Noranda provides 970 jobs that pay good wages and provide benefits such as
11 health insurance and a retirement plan. The people who work at the plant live
12 throughout the area. These jobs impact many communities in Southeast
13 Missouri, not just New Madrid County where the plant is located. These jobs
14 allow people to stay in this area and raise their families here. The jobs at
15 Noranda allow people to own homes, support local businesses, pay taxes, and
16 support charitable causes. In doing so, they support many other jobs in our
17 community. The loss of the Noranda plant would be a devastating blow to the
18 economy of Southeast Missouri.
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20 Q HAVE YOU BEEN INVOLVED IN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN YOUR
21 ROLE AS A STATE REPRESENTATIVE?

22 Yes I have worked on economic development issues with many different people
23 from all across the state. From speaking with those in my own community and
24 district, as well as those who have been successful in maintaining and growing

1 industries over the past several years, I know that attracting manufacturing jobs
2 to our state is very challenging.

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4 **Q WITH THAT EXPERIENCE, DO YOU HAVE A SENSE AS TO THE RELATIVE**
5 **IMPORTANCE OF MANUFACTURING JOBS SUCH AS THOSE THAT EXIST**
6 **AT THE NORANDA PLANT?**

7 **A** These jobs would be very difficult to replace in today's economy and are vital to
8 the economy of Southeast Missouri. Job creation and retaining the
9 manufacturing jobs we have now, like those at Noranda, are essential to
10 ensuring a good quality of life throughout Southeast Missouri. These jobs are
11 important to us because they provide relatively high wages and good benefits.

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13 **Q DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR TESTIMONY AT THIS TIME?**

14 **A** Yes, it does. I appreciate the opportunity to present this testimony to the Public
15 Service Commission in this case.