

1 BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
2 OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI
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11 IN THE MATTER OF M.P.B.,
12 Inc.'s, Request for Increase File No. SR-2014-0067
13 in Annual Sewer System
14 Operating Revenues

15 IN THE MATTER OF P.C.B.,
16 Inc.'s Request for Increase File No. SR-2014-0068
17 in Annual Sewer System
18 Operating Revenues

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20 DEPUTY CHIEF REGULATORY LAW JUDGE
21 STEPHEN STOLL
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1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN: All right, good
3 evening. Let me take just a moment and introduce
4 myself, I'm Ron Pridgin, I'm one of the judges with
5 the Missouri Public Service Commission, and with me
6 is Commissioner Stoll, he's one of the five
7 commissioners on the Missouri Public Service
8 Commission. As you well know, you've had a pretty
9 lengthy question and answer session, and the purpose
10 of the rest of the hearing is to hear your comments,
11 if any, to the Commission about the proposed rate
12 increase. If you have continued questions or
13 service complaints, you can see any of the members
14 of staff you've been talking to for the last several
15 minutes, or anybody from the Office of the Public
16 Counsel. I have a few people who have signed up to
17 testify, and I'll call those names from the list,
18 and then I'll see if there's anyone else who wishes
19 to testify.

20 We will be on the record, as you can
21 see, we have a court reporter, so when I call you to
22 testify, I'll ask you to come to the microphone and
23 I'll ask you to spell your name for the court
24 reporter so she can spell it correctly in the
25 record, and if somebody else before you has said

1 something that you want to say you can simply say,
2 you know, somebody else has already said what I'd
3 like to say, I really don't have anything to add.

4 I will give an opening statement here,
5 I'll see if Commissioner Stoll has any opening
6 remarks, and then we will begin taking testimony.

7 All right, good evening, the Missouri
8 Public Service Commission has set this time for a
9 local public hearing in Case Numbers SR-2014-0067
10 and 0068. The Commission regulates the rates
11 charged by investor-owned utility companies in
12 Missouri to ensure that those rates are just and
13 reasonable. The Commission also regulates the
14 quality of service and the safety of the operations
15 of investor-owned utilities. The Commission is made
16 up of five commissioners, one of whom is with me
17 here this evening, Commissioner Stoll, and
18 Commissioner, do you have any opening remarks before
19 I continue?

20 COMMISSIONER STOLL: I would just like
21 to welcome everyone, I do appreciate you coming out
22 tonight. The fact that the other four commissioners
23 aren't here does not imply the importance of this
24 case; actually, there's a local public hearing going
25 on in Jefferson City tonight regarding Noranda

1 Aluminum and Ameren, and since I live in Jefferson
2 County, I get to go home after this, so I am pleased
3 to be here and look forward to hearing your
4 comments. Thank you.

5 CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN: All right,
6 Commissioner, thank you. These Commissioners are
7 appointed by the governor to fixed terms and
8 confirmed by the Senate and the Commissioners also
9 employ a staff of engineers, accountants, attorneys,
10 financial analysts, and other specialists in the
11 field of utility regulation. This is an official
12 hearing of the Commission, and the statements and
13 testimony of the witnesses will be recorded by the
14 court reporter and must be given under oath.

15 All of the commissioners will have a
16 chance to read your remarks. The purpose of this
17 hearing is to hear from you. The company will not
18 present witnesses and will not answer questions
19 during this portion of the hearing. I will call the
20 name of each witness who has signed up to speak, and
21 again, I would ask you to please spell your name for
22 the court reporter so she can put it in the record
23 correctly. I will probably have a few preliminary
24 questions for you, such as whether you, which
25 company you are a customer of, and simply ask you to

1 make your statement for the Commission. When you
2 are finished, if you will please stay at the
3 microphone in case the Commissioner has any
4 questions, or in case I have any questions.

5 If someone wishes to testify, but for
6 religious reasons cannot take an oath, please let me
7 know, and I will ask your testimony to be affirmed
8 instead of sworn.

9 Does anyone have any questions before we
10 go any further?

11 (No response.)

12 CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN: All right, seeing
13 none, let me ask for entries of appearance from
14 Counsel, please. Is there an entry on behalf of the
15 staff of the Commission? Counsel.

16 MS. HAMPTON: Whitney Hampton for staff,
17 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri, 65102.

18 CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN: Ms. Hampton, thank
19 you. On before of the Office of Public Counsel.

20 MS. BAKER: Thank you, Christina Baker,
21 PO Box 2230, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102,
22 appearing on behalf of the Office of the Public
23 Counsel and the customers.

24 CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN: Ms. Baker, thank you.
25 Anyone else wishing to enter an appearance?

1 All right. Let me call the first
2 witness, and I apologize, I don't think I'm reading
3 the last name correctly, it is a Robert E., and I'm
4 going to ask that person to tell me the last name,
5 yes, sir.

6 MR. GRAYSON: Grayson.

7 CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN: Grayson, thank you.
8 I'm so sorry. If you'll please come up to be sworn.
9 If you'll raise your right hand.

10 ROBERT E. GRAYSON,
11 of lawful age, having been first duly sworn to
12 testify the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but
13 the truth in the case aforesaid, deposes and says in
14 reply to oral interrogatories propounded as follows,
15 to-wit:

16 EXAMINATION

17 QUESTIONS BY CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN

18 Q. Thank you very much, sir. Again, if
19 you'll please state your name and spell your name
20 for the court reporter.

21 A. Robert E. Grayson, G-R-A-Y-S-O-N.

22 Q. And are you a customer of MPB?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. All right. Do you have a statement for
25 the Commission, sir?

1 MR. GRAYSON: I have a statement, I have
2 some concerns. I've been here 14 and a half years
3 in Villa Ridge at Bridgewater, and for the first 13,
4 13 and a half, we paid 13.91, and then for some
5 unknown reason, like we've covered tonight, we
6 didn't get a bill for months, and then we started
7 getting one for 26 for a few months, now we're up to
8 34, so basically within a year to year and a half
9 we're up from 13 to 34, forgetting about the 26 in
10 the middle, that was just a small period of time.

11 But of more concern, which I stated
12 several times before you were in here, is before
13 anybody, whether you get another receiver or not,
14 before you get any more rate increases or approve
15 any more, they need to know 100 percent who's on the
16 system. I mean there might be 20, 30 people in this
17 area, there probably are, that aren't paying. And
18 it's not right for everybody else to have to pay for
19 them. Even if they have to go door to door, they
20 need to find out 100 percent who is on the system.
21 And, I mean can't expect everybody to come forward
22 and say -- they're not going to be. They need to
23 find out who's on the system. Bottom line. Because
24 they, they already stated if another receiver comes
25 in, they can ask for another increase. I don't

1 think another increase should be granted until they
2 know who all is paying. And that, that was my main
3 concern. I mean I don't know how you can honestly
4 grant another increase unless you know who all is on
5 the system so that, so to be fair to everybody.

6 COMMISSIONER STOLL: So at the current
7 time is, is the receiver attempting to find out
8 exactly who's on the system?

9 MR. GRAYSON: Well, I think so. But --

10 COMMISSIONER STOLL: Okay, well --

11 MR. GRAYSON: It's not really clear what
12 method he's trying to use. I don't see -- I mean
13 there were three or four different methods mentioned
14 to try to find out who's actually living on this
15 system. What he's going to take and use, I have no
16 idea. I don't know how anything could really be
17 accurate other than going door to door. And people
18 do that all the time in our subdivision over here,
19 so I don't know why they couldn't do it, too, just
20 to find out who's actually living in each residence.
21 Like I said, they mentioned several other systems,
22 you know, check this computer check the Franklin
23 County Assessor, check our, the people who live in
24 our subdivision, you know, they can check a number
25 of things, but they need to do something before they

1 grant any more increases. That wouldn't be fair at
2 all.

3 COMMISSIONER STOLL: Okay. Thank you
4 for your testimony. I won't ask anything else at
5 this time, but I did make note of your remarks,
6 so...

7 MR. GRAYSON: Okay.

8 COMMISSIONER STOLL: And you're in the
9 record.

10 MR. GRAYSON: All right, thank you.

11 CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN: Mr. Grayson, thank
12 you very much, sir.

13 MR. GRAYSON: All right.

14 CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN: All right, the next
15 person who signed up is James, is it Branscum?

16 MR. BRANSCUM: Branscum?

17 CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN: I'm sorry.

18 MR. BRANSCUM: Yeah, my question is
19 already answered.

20 CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN: All right. So you
21 don't want to testify, is that correct?

22 MR. BRANSCUM: No.

23 CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN: All right. Thank you
24 very much.

25 All right, the next person is Mark

1 Wilson, I believe. If you'll come forward to be
2 sworn.

3 (Witness complies.)

4 CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN: If you'll raise your
5 right hand and be sworn, please?

6 MARK WILSON,
7 of lawful age, having been first duly sworn to
8 testify the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but
9 the truth in the case aforesaid, deposes and says in
10 reply to oral interrogatories propounded as follows,
11 to-wit:

12 EXAMINATION

13 QUESTIONS BY CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN

14 Q. Thank you very much, sir, if you would
15 please state your name and spell it for the court
16 reporter.

17 A. Mark Wilson, M-A-R-K, W-I-L-S-O-N.

18 Q. And Mr. Wilson, are you a customer of
19 MPB?

20 A. Yes, sir.

21 Q. All right. Do you have a statement for
22 the Commission, sir?

23 A. Yes, sir. First of all, thank you for
24 your time. During the question and answer session,
25 it appears that there was some processes that are

1 sorely missing. There's been no audit done with the
2 housing for the system. I'm unsure if the former
3 company or the receivership has any idea where the
4 boundaries are. There was a number given out of 160
5 some odd customers in which there's, you know, our
6 subdivision, Bridgewater High, or Bridgewater
7 Subdivision, there is approximately 125 homes. So
8 where the other 30, 40 houses are from, the 160
9 number that was given to us seems to be very very
10 low. So I also want to go on record saying that I
11 find it a sad affair when the people here in this
12 room is having to spell out the different processes
13 on how to check for individuals living in homes.
14 Going door to door, yes, that's always an option,
15 but as usual, you can always get someone that will
16 say yes when they're not. The assessor, there's,
17 there's multiple ways. The homework was not done,
18 and before you folks grant the okay to effectively
19 raise our bill, I believe that there's a lot of
20 homework that needs to be completed.

21 CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN: Mr. Wilson, thank
22 you. Commissioner Stoll.

23 COMMISSIONER STOLL: I don't believe I
24 have any questions at this time, but I do you
25 understand the situation that you described, and the

1 staff and Office of Public Counsel will look into
2 these matters, and I'll just leave it at that for
3 right now.

4 A. All right, thank you, sir.

5 CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN: Mr. Wilson, thank you
6 for your testimony. And I think, I hope I'm
7 pronouncing this next name correctly, is it Don, is
8 it Wengler am I pronouncing that correctly.

9 MR. WENGLER: Yes, sir.

10 CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN: All right, sir, if
11 you'll come up?

12 MR. WENGLER: I don't have anything to
13 say, it's pretty well been covered.

14 CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN: All right, and I
15 think the court reporter will want to know how to
16 spell your last name; could you spell that, please?

17 MR. WENGLER: W-E-N-G-L-E-R.

18 CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN: And first name Don,
19 D-O-N, is that correct?

20 MR. WENGLER: That's correct.

21 CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN: All right, thank you,
22 Mr. Wengler, thank you.

23 Well, those are all the folks I have who
24 signed up to testify. Is there anyone else who
25 wishes to testify? I see a couple of hands.

1 All right. Ma'am, if you'd like to come
2 up first.

3 (Witness complies.)

4 CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN: If you'll state your
5 name?

6 MS. CABRERA: Brenda Cabrera,
7 B-R-E-N-D-A, C-A-B-R-E-R-A.

8 CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN: All right, if you'll
9 raise your right hand and be sworn, please.

10 BRENDA CABRERA,
11 of lawful age, having been first duly sworn to
12 testify the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but
13 the truth in the case aforesaid, deposes and says in
14 reply to oral interrogatories propounded as follows,
15 to-wit:

16 EXAMINATION

17 QUESTIONS BY CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN

18 Q. Thank you so much, ma'am; again, if
19 you'll state your name and spell it again for the
20 court reporter.

21 A. Brenda Cabrera, B-R-E-N-D-A,
22 C-A-B-R-E-R-A.

23 Q. And are you a customer of MPB?

24 A. I am.

25 Q. All right. Do you have a statement for

1 **the Commissioner?**

2 A. I do. I understand that the previous
3 owners walked away, and it was a pretty dire
4 situation to try to find a receivership. And, and I
5 appreciate that Mr. Johanssen, I believe his name
6 is, is doing the best of his abilities. My concern
7 is whoever it was, and I apologize, I don't know all
8 the processes, but whoever it was that made him the
9 receivership, I don't know that they, that they
10 vetted him very well. It just seems like there's a
11 lot of things missing, as have been mentioned
12 before, people that haven't had bills the whole time
13 they've lived there and such, and so what we need is
14 money. We need money, I understand that there are
15 bills that need to be paid and there are things that
16 have to be done to keep this system running so that
17 we have sewer services to our homes. I'm not
18 disputing that, but there seems to be many people
19 out there that aren't paying their bill, and if we
20 had more money coming in from those people who are
21 in arrears, you know, we probably wouldn't need a
22 rate increase. And it just doesn't seem like
23 there's a sense of urgency to go out and find out
24 who's not paying. And that is, that's a huge
25 concern to me, because I feel like even

1 Mr. Johanssen is not seeing that sense of urgency,
2 as much as we've told him that seems to being the
3 number one thing he should be trying to do.

4 So I'm disappointed in who they chose to
5 take over this process, and I understand they were
6 probably desperate, I wouldn't want the job, I don't
7 know many people that would be lining up to do it,
8 but I think that needs to be considered. We're in
9 essence being held hostage. There's, there's really
10 no other choices, and the money has to come, and we
11 have to have sewer services to our house, so I just
12 wish there was more communication, and I wish that
13 somebody somewhere would say before we turn this
14 over, there's processes that need to be addressed
15 immediately. And, and like another woman stated,
16 she owns a business, and if she knows she has
17 customers out there that owe her money, she's going
18 to do what she needs to do to find out who those
19 customers are. And to me, there's money being left
20 on the table, and nobody's going back to pick it up.
21 So I think that really needs to be considered.

22 COMMISSIONER STOLL: I have no
23 questions, but I do appreciate your testimony
24 tonight.

25 MS. CABRERA: Thank you.

1 COMMISSIONER STOLL: Thank you.

2 CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN: Ms. Cabrera, thank
3 you, and I think I saw somebody else raise -- yes,
4 sir. If you'd like to state and spell your name for
5 the court reporter, please, sir.

6 MR. PARENT: My name is Don Parent,
7 P-A-R-E-N-T.

8 CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN: All right, if you'll
9 raise your right hand and be sworn, Mr. Parent.

10 DON PARENT,
11 of lawful age, having been first duly sworn to
12 testify the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but
13 the truth in the case aforesaid, deposes and says in
14 reply to oral interrogatories propounded as follows,
15 to-wit:

16 EXAMINATION

17 QUESTIONS BY CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN

18 Q. All right, thank you, Mr. Parent. If
19 you would again please state your name and spell it
20 for the court reporter?

21 A. My he name is Don Parent. We're billed
22 by the MPB, I believe it is.

23 Q. Okay.

24 A. After listening to a lot of the
25 information that was provided tonight, I'm very

1 concerned about the billing process, there
2 definitely is some huge gaps and lack of knowledge
3 of how to obtain the information of the residents in
4 the billing district. My gosh, it almost made me
5 want to get out there and say: Listen, I'll give
6 you a hand, you know, because there's, he certainly
7 didn't know -- he certainly didn't know what to do.
8 I appreciate a lot of the comments from the business
9 owners, because they certainly understand the
10 business processes. What really concerns me,
11 though, is okay, I understand they went into, the
12 previous owner went into receivership and revenue,
13 the revenue gaps existed there, and of course, I
14 feel like, like she said, we are kind of like the
15 hostage, because we're in Bridgewater Chase Estates,
16 and okay, we're better homes, and so I feel like
17 they're going to probably going to try to get a
18 little revenue out of us because they think that we
19 have more money available for this process.

20 And another thing that really bothers
21 me, too, is if the next company or companies or
22 individuals who are going to run our septic, or our
23 sewer system, what's our guarantees that they're not
24 going to be able to do what the previous, previous
25 company did, you know? So I worry about that.

1 So those are just some of the things I
2 just feel that should be addressed. And I really
3 don't understand why they can't figure out what the
4 customer base is, because I deal with some systems
5 in another home I have in High Ridge, and they have
6 a real good idea of who's on the septic system and
7 who is not. So I thank you for listening to me.

8 CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN: Thank you very much.
9 Commissioner Stoll, any questions?

10 COMMISSIONER STOLL: No questions, I
11 understand that, your issues, and appreciate your
12 expressing those here this evening.

13 MR. PARENT: Okay, thank you.

14 CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN: All right, thank you
15 for your testimony, sir.

16 All right. Anyone else that wishes to
17 testify? Another volunteer? Yes, sir.

18 CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN: All right. If you'll
19 state and spell your name for the court reporter,
20 please?

21 MR. KIRBY CABRERA: I'm Kirby Cabrera,
22 K-I-R-B-Y, Cabrera, C-A-B-R-E-R-A.

23 CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN: All right, if you'll
24 raise right hand and be sworn, please, sir?

25 KIRBY CABRERA,

1 of lawful age, having been first duly sworn to
2 testify the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but
3 the truth in the case aforesaid, deposes and says in
4 reply to oral interrogatories propounded as follows,
5 to-wit:

6 EXAMINATION

7 QUESTIONS BY CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN

8 Q. All right, thank you very much, sir.

9 Again, if you'll state your name for the record.

10 A. Kirby Cabrera.

11 Q. And are you a customer of MPB?

12 A. Yes, I am.

13 Q. All right. Do you have a estimate for
14 the Commissioner, sir?

15 A. My statement is going back to Mr.
16 Johanssen and the billing process. I mean the last
17 bill I got, and I believe I'm current, I'm still
18 five months behind. If our billing process was, was
19 better addressed and we were all current, would we
20 still need these increases to where they are? And
21 the other thing is I pay an average of, I don't know
22 what the, the cost per thousand, but let's say
23 10,000 gallons of water for 25 bucks a month. I'm
24 going to pay \$36.00 a month to get rid of \$25.00
25 worth of water? I don't understand that process,

1 I've never seen it happen like that before. And I
2 understand that for about a year and a half MPB
3 didn't bill any of us, so if there was no money
4 going into the coffer, no money to address the
5 problems that we were having, and when you called
6 them you couldn't get answers, when you mailed
7 checks in they would get mailed back, they wouldn't
8 return your calls, and we need to catch that up; but
9 also I mean we're getting 71 to 75 percent
10 participation, and it just doesn't seem right,
11 there's got to be a better way to address this whole
12 thing and keep our rates at a more, more cost
13 efficient than what they're going in. And that's
14 it.

15 Q. Okay.

16 COMMISSIONER STOLL: Would you restate
17 the -- how much water did you say you --

18 MR. KIRBY CABRERA: My average water
19 bill in the winter, and where I lived at before what
20 they did was they would take your March water bill,
21 they would average that out for the year, and that's
22 what they charged you for your sewer, you know, per
23 month, or they would, there was a formula that they
24 used. So right now my average water bill is about
25 26, \$27.00 a month, but yet they're wanting to

1 charge me \$37.00, \$36.00 to get rid of that \$25.00
2 worth of water.

3 COMMISSIONER STOLL: I appreciate that,
4 I wanted you to restate that. I don't have answers
5 to any questions, nor am I supposed to do that, but
6 I do appreciate your, your comments.

7 MR. KIRBY CABRERA: Okay, thank you.

8 COMMISSIONER STOLL: Thank you.

9 CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN: All right. Thank
10 you. Anyone else?

11 MS. FREIERMUTH: Yeah.

12 CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN: Yes, ma'am. If
13 you'll state your name and spell it for the court
14 reporter.

15 MR. FR: My name is Marilyn, and my last
16 name is Freiermuth, it's F-R-E-I-E-R-M-U-T-H. And
17 my comment, my --

18 CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN: Could you get you to
19 take a --

20 MS. FREIERMUTH: Again?

21 CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN: I need to swear you
22 in first.

23 MS. FREIERMUTH: Oh, okay.

24 MARILYN FREIERMUTH,
25 of lawful age, having been first duly sworn to

1 testify the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but
2 the truth in the case aforesaid, deposes and says in
3 reply to oral interrogatories propounded as follows,
4 to-wit:

5 EXAMINATION

6 QUESTIONS BY CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN

7 **Q. All right, thank you. And again, if**
8 **you'll state your name for the record?**

9 A. Okay, it's Marilyn Freiermuth.

10 **Q. And are you a customer of MPB?**

11 A. Mm-hmm.

12 **Q. All right. Do you have a statement for**
13 **the Commission?**

14 A. Yeah, this goes back into history.

15 We've been out here nine years, we got one water
16 bill the first year we lived here, we got none for
17 years later. Then all of a sudden we get a bill for
18 some \$500.00, and then the Commission steps in and
19 says you don't have to pay that, because they can't
20 go back more than a year. Has the Commission been
21 watching these people? MPB? That we're in such a
22 mess? My concern is with the Commission not
23 watching what's going on.

24 COMMISSIONER STOLL: I'm not here to
25 answer questions, I'm here to listen.

1 MS. FREIERMUTH: Right.

2 COMMISSIONER STOLL: And I don't have
3 the answer to that anyway.

4 MS. FREIERMUTH: Right, you know. My
5 concern is we're in a bad shape now -- not a
6 question, but statement -- is like these other
7 people said, how do we know this isn't going to
8 happen to us again?

9 COMMISSIONER STOLL: Okay. I appreciate
10 your testimony, and all this is very important, and
11 I'm taking notes, and we'll make sure that my
12 colleagues, fellow commissioners read the
13 transcript, too, so we can address those. Thank
14 you.

15 CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN: All right, ma'am,
16 thank you for your time and testimony. Anyone else?

17 (No response.)

18 CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN: All right.
19 Commissioner Stoll, do you have any closing remarks?

20 COMMISSIONER STOLL: I, once again, will
21 just thank you for coming out tonight. The reason
22 we have these public hearings is to hear from folks,
23 whether it's, you know, regarding a rate increase or
24 the service that you receive, and these are
25 important, and I'm glad you came out, took the time

1 to come out and express your views to me and to the
2 other commissioners tonight, so thank you.

3 CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN: All right. And I
4 would echo Commissioner Stoll's comments, thank you
5 for your participation, thank you for caring enough
6 to come out and ask questions and to talk to people
7 and to talk to us. If there's nothing further,
8 anything from Counsel?

9 MS. BAKER: No.

10 CHAIRMAN PRIDGIN: All right. Then that
11 concludes this evening's local public hearing.
12 Thank you very much; we are off the record.

13 (Off the record at 7:43 p.m.)

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2 I, Pamela K. Needham, Certified Court Reporter,
3 Notary Public within and for the State of Missouri,
4 do certify that the witness whose testimony appears
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7 best of my ability and thereafter reduced to
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