

COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES
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Committee on Natural Resources
Oversight Field Hearing on: *“The Northern Long Eared Bat: The Federal Endangered Species Act and*
Impacts of a Listing on Pennsylvania and 37 Other States”
September 8, 2014

For Individuals:

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For Witnesses Representing Organizations:

1. Name:
2. Name of Organization(s) You are Representing at the Hearing:
3. Business Address:
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For all Witnesses

Name/Organization: Martin Melville/Melville Forestry Services

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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.

BS Forest Science (PSU, 1980). Formerly manager of training programs for the SFI ® of PA. Among courses developed, Wildlife was a collaboration between Proctor & Gamble & the PA Audubon Society, which looked at the impacts of timber harvesting on various groups of animals

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.

Developed Master Logger while employed by SFI of PA as a way to recognize excellence among loggers. After I left SFI, I was accredited as a Master Logger in PA. PA Outstanding Logger in 1998 & 2004

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.

Since 1980, I have chosen to apply my forestry knowledge “where the rubber meets the road:” logging sustainably. We did a job within 5 miles of a known Indiana bat hibernaculum, which was encumbered with seasonal restrictions

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

While not the contract holder, I was contracted to do stand improvement work on a property in Snyder Co. PA. I don't remember the program's name. It was administered by NRCS

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.

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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.

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

As a result of my employment with SFI of PA, I came to know many of the loggers across the state. I attempted to start a loggers association because I believe we need a voice on matters of legislation, and an organization that could have provided resources in financial advice, conflict resolution, etc. We got as far as incorporation, then the economy fell off the table in 2008.

I view forestry and logging as compatible with environmental sustainability.

Work is a spiritual activity. See “Theology of a Quaker Logger” on my blog, www.martinstrees.wordpress.com

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

i. Any federal grants or contracts (including subgrants or subcontracts) from the Department of the Interior or United States Department of Agriculture 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).

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).

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.

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)).