## **COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES**

# 113<sup>th</sup> Congress Disclosure Form As required by and provided for in House Rule XI, clause 2(g) and 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:
2. Address:
3. Email Address:
4. Phone Number:
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For Witnesses Representing Organizations:
1. Name: James M Iwanicki, P.E.
2. Name of Organization(s) You are Representing at the Hearing: Marquette County Road Commission
3. Business Address: 1610 N. Second Street, Ishpeming, MI 49849
4. Business Email Address: [Information redacted for privacy]
5. Business Phone Number: [Information redacted for privacy]

#### For all Witnesses

Name/Organization: <u>James M Iwanicki</u>, <u>P.E.</u>, <u>Engineer Manager – Marquette County Road Commission</u>
Title/Date of Hearing: <u>Oversight hearing on "America's Mineral Resources: Creating Mining and</u>
<u>Manufacturing lobs and Securing America"</u> 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.

## Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering – Michigan Technological University (1989)

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.

# Professional Engineer State of Michigan (Licenses Number 40986)

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.

# **Engineer Manager of Marquette County Road Commission since January 2003**

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

# The Marquette County Road Commission has been involved in AARA Projects with Federal Forrest Service and annually uses Federal Transportation Dollars.

- FY 2013 Estimated at \$1,500,000
- FY 2012 \$645,607.79
- FY 2011 \$1,305,754.39
- FY 2010 \$4,342,326.79
- FY-2009 \$2,608,379.96
- 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.

#### None

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.

#### None

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

# **Background Information:**

The Marquette County Road Commission (MCRC) is responsible for over 1274 miles of roads. We also have a contract with the Michigan Department of Transportation to maintain 181 miles of state highway in Marquette County. MCRC has an annual budget of approximately \$12 million.

Marquette is the largest county in the State of Michigan with an area of 1873 square miles, which is larger than the State of Rhode Island. The county has a population of over 67,000 and we have an annual snowfall of 180 inches per year. Mining has been a tradition in Marquette County since iron ore was first discovered in the early 1840's by State Geologist, Dr. Douglas Houghton. Marquette County land mass is 23% wetlands.

Michigan is one of two states (the other being New Jersey) that administers the Federal permit program which regulates dredging and filling of wetlands under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act except in coastal areas where the Army Corps of Engineers retains this authority.

(Additional information on this process can be found at the following web sites:

http://www.michigan.gov/statelicensesearch/0,1607,7-180-24786\_24829-244642--,00.html http://michigan.gov/documents/deq/lwm-epa-404-overview\_308370\_7.pdf)

In January of 2012 MCRC summited a Section 404 permit application to the Michigan Department of Environmental quality to fill approximately 25 acres of wetland to build a new road.

The purpose of the proposed CR 595 project is to construct a primary county north-south road that (1) connects and improves emergency, commercial and recreational access to a somewhat isolated but key industrial, commercial and recreational area in northwest Marquette County to US-41, and (2) reduces truck travel from this area through the County's population centers.

### **Witnesses Representing Organizations**

Name/Organization <u>James M Iwanicki</u>, <u>P.E.</u>, <u>Engineer Manager – Marquette County Road Commission</u>
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h. Any offices, elected positions, or representational capacity held in the organization(s) on whose behalf you are testifying.

Engineer Manager of the Marquette County Road Commission, I'm representing a 5 person Board appointed by Marquette County's elected County Commission. The Road Commission is responsible for all roads outside city limits not under the juristiction of the state. We are responsible for overseeing over 1274 miles of county roads.

i. Any federal grants or contracts (including subgrants or subcontracts) from the <u>Department of the Interior</u> (<u>and /or other agencies invited</u>) 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).

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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).

## **None**

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.

#### None

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)).

The Marquette County Road Commission is a county governmental agency establish under State of Michigan law. Financial and audit information of the Marquette County Road Commission is available upon request.