

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

Oversight hearing on the 2008 Lacey Act Amendments
Thursday, May 16, 2013

For Individuals:

1. Name:

2. Address:

3. Email Address:

4. Phone Number:

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For Witnesses Representing Organizations:

1. Name: Birgit Matthiesen

2. Name of Organization(s) You are Representing at the Hearing: Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters (CME)

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

Ms. Birgit Matthiesen, Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters
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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.

- Masters Degree – International Commerce, George Mason University, Arlington VA
- Past staff member – Embassy of Canada, Washington, D.C.
- Past Customs Inspector, Canada-US border, Philipsburg Quebec/Highgate Springs Vt.

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.

- Affiliated with CME for the past five years, working closely with US business associations such as the US Chamber of Commerce, the National Association of Manufacturers, the International Wood Products Association, the Automotive Trade Policy group, Emergency Committee for American Trade as well as their counterparts in Canada.
- Author of a number of reports analyzing cost impact of cross-border operations
- Negotiating team for US/Canada Shared Border Accord, Security and Prosperity Partnership

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.

- Canada Customs and Revenue Agency
- Embassy of Canada, Washington DC
- Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters

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

- None

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.

- My entire professional life has been centered and focused on the US/Canada bilateral economic relationship and how both countries can best position ourselves in the global trading environment. Our business communities have benefited much from the tariff elimination of border duties under the NAFTA and have developed highly integrated cross border supply chains. Today, the competition is not with each other, but from offshore. CME is working very closely in both Canada and the United States to advance efforts that reduce unnecessary border compliance on our cross-border supply chains and to position NA manufacturing to compete worldwide.

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.

- I represent CME in the United States in efforts to educate American policy makers on the importance of the North American Manufacturing platform and how member companies in both countries benefit from this NA platform in a highly competitive world marketplace.

i. Any federal grants or contracts (including subgrants or subcontracts) from the U.S. Department of the Interior 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).

- None

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)).

- N/A