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1	BE IT REMEMBERED that on Tuesday, November 19, 2024,
2	at 9:00 a.m., before Kelsey C. Walker, CCR, RPR, CSR, via
3	video teleconference the following proceedings were had,
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10	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Thank you.
11	Everybody, it's 9:00. We'll get
12	started on our meeting. We're getting started here.
13	First thing on the agenda is committee
14	introduction and welcome. I'm just going to go through
15	just the if you would, when we go through for the
16	ESAC committee members and the alternates, if you would
17	give your name and your who you're representing, and
18	also whether you are an alternate or not.
19	I'll start it out.
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21	ESAC Introduction.
22	Welcome, Introduce Committee
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24	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: I'm Rick
25	Henderson, Chair, and ad hoc representative.
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1	Garry, are you there?
2	MR. WOOD: Yes, I am. Garry Wood,
3	MCI Elevator, representing registered general
4	contractors.
5	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: And Gerald?
6	Gerald may not be back quite yet.
7	Jan?
8	MS. GOULD: Yes. Jan Gould, City of
9	Seattle, a codes person for the conveyance program.
10	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Duane?
11	MR. LEOPARD: Duane Leopard, City of
12	Spokane, one of the ad hoc positions.
13	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Thanks, Duane.
14	Scott?
15	MR. CLEARY: Scott Cleary, MCI
16	Elevator. I represent the 270 exemption from licensure,
17	5.3 residential and commercial, and residential
18	18.1 equipment.
19	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Thank you,
20	Scott.
21	It looks like we still have Brian on
22	our committee members' roster, but I don't believe he is
23	on. I believe he has dropped from the committee.
24	I just want to make sure Brian's not
25	on the call with us today?



1	Patrick Strafer's the next one. But I
2	believe Patrick isn't with us today.
3	John, are you John?
4	MR. CARINI: I'm here.
5	Good morning. John Carini, Sound
6	Transit, representing building owners and property
7	managers.
8	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Thank you,
9	John.
10	Lyall?
11	MR. WOHLSCHLAGER: Lyall Wohlschlager,
12	alternate representative for the owner-employed mechanics
13	exempt from licensing.
14	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Thank you,
15	Lyall.
16	Carl?
17	MR. CARY: Carl Cary, Fujitec alternate
18	representing building owners and managers.
19	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Thank you,
20	Carl.
21	Jim?
22	MR. NORRIS: Jim Norris, alternate,
23	representing licensed elevator mechanics.
24	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Thank you, Jim.
25	Jerome? Jerome? I know he was here
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1	earlier. He may not be back yet. I'll come back to
2	him.
3	Cory?
4	MR. WINCHELL: Cory Winchell, Schindler
5	Elevator, representing elevator contractors.
6	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Thank you,
7	Cory.
8	Duke Davis? Duke?
9	Jason? Jason's not here.
10	MS. GOULD: I can speak.
11	Jason Howerton is program manager for
12	City of Seattle and alternate.
13	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Thank you, Jan.
14	And Duane, I'm pretty sure Dermott's
15	not going to be in the meeting today since you're here.
16	MR. LEOPARD: That's a safe assumption.
17	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Thank you.
18	Backpedaling here a little bit.
19	Jerome? I know he's here. Well, he
20	was earlier. I will make sure about that coming up
21	here.
22	Has anybody seen there on the list,
23	has he dropped off, dropped out?
24	Well, it shows him still logged in.
25	I'm going to mark him present, but hopefully he'll speak
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1	up here shortly.
2	All right.
3	MR. BROWN: Sorry. I had to step way.
4	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: I'm sorry. Say
5	again?
6	MR. BROWN: Sorry. I had to step away.
7	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Okay.
8	MR. BROWN: I'm back.
9	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: And if you
10	would, all the ESAC members, if you can turn on your
11	camera so that all can be seen. If you would, please.
12	All right. So
13	MR. BROWN: Ricky? Ricky, I have a
14	quick question.
15	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Yes, sir.
16	MR. BROWN: Because our I don't know
17	if you covered this or not because I had to step away.
18	Because our meeting is being recorded,
19	we have a court reporter here, as you make comments and
20	contribute to the ESAC meeting, if you would identify
21	yourself by name and title to help our court reporter,
22	that would be great.
23	Thank you so very much.
24	MS. GOULD: Speak slowly also.
25	Jan Gould.



1	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Appreciate
2	that, Gerald and Jan.
3	Yes. So if everybody caught that.
4	So if you would, before you speak,
5	please raise your hands. And the first thing you do
6	when you speak, please introduce yourself, say your
7	name, and if you and we need to do that every time we
8	start to speak to help out the court reporter. She's
9	they have a tough job so we need to help them every
10	chance we get.
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12	Comments Regarding & Vote on
13	August 2024's Meeting Minutes
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15	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: With that said,
16	Rick Henderson.
17	The next item on the agenda is
18	comments regarding and vote on the August 2024 minutes.
19	I'd like to have see if we have is there any
20	comments on the agenda in the minutes from last week
21	or excuse me, last meeting?
22	Seeing no comments, I'd like to move
23	to have a vote to adopt the minutes.
24	MR. NORRIS: Jim Norris makes a motion
25	to adopt the meeting minutes from last meeting.



1	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I second the
2	motion.
3	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Fine. We have
4	a motion vote to adopt.
5	Everybody raise their hand for the
6	committee members to adopt?
7	Motion carried. Meeting minutes are
8	adopted.
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10	Review of Stellar Audit Status
11	and ESAC Concerns
12	
13	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Next item on
14	the agenda is from the ESAC committee members. There's
15	been a lot of concern and discussion over two areas. One
16	is where we're currently at in the review of the Stellar
17	Audit that was done in 2016, current status of where we
18	are there, and also just some concerns that the ESAC
19	committee has.
20	Moving forward, we've created a
21	letter. I'd like to read the letter and put it in the
22	record if we can. This letter I will send send this
23	to the Department as well. I think it would probably be
24	better I'm going to see if I can share my screen and
25	put the letter on the screen so we can all read as



see it as I read it.

So this is to the Washington State L&I Elevator Department from the Elevator Safety Advisory Committee members, and the topic is Letter Of Concern. So to be clear, this is reviewed by the Elevator Safety Advisory Committee members, the primary members, and it addresses some concerns we have with the Department.

Starting the letter.

(As read) "The ESAC relationship with the State LNI Elevator Program has reached a critical juncture. A lack of accountability and consistent, accurate, and timely communication from State LNI Elevator Program has eroded the committee members morale, interest, and motivation to continue with the process in its current form."

"The ESAC members bring vast experience, industry knowledge, and diverse perspective that is invaluable. They donate their time voluntarily and do so because they are dedicated to representing the interest of all the stakeholders affected. Many are business owners and industry professionals who sacrifice time and money to be part of the ESAC. If those contributions consistently result in little to no substantive outcomes, there's no viable reason for them to continue."





"The committee, which was originally created in 1982 by WAC 296-81-990 and code in 2002 by RCW 70-87-220, is tasked with advising the State's program on the adoption of regulations and methods of enforcing and administrating the elevator law. The ESAC is dedicated to this purpose but has been unable to do so effectively with current methods employed by the State Elevator Program. ESAC is concerned about the safety of the riding public in that the safety items addressed by A17.3 are currently not being enforced."

"The ESAC has spent a majority of the last year working with the State to find a reasonable enforcement path for the A17.3 standard. During that time, we have asked questions during meetings, drafted letters with specific questions, and stated our concerns about possible paths forward. Most go unanswered for weeks or months, only to be provided later with delayed dates for information or excuses why clear direction cannot be provided."

"From the committee perspective, the development of methods of enforcing and administrating the elevator law related to A17.3 has largely been done behind closed doors and only presented to ESAC once a direction is chosen. This lack of transparency has resulted in the State creating multiple plans,



variations, and directions, sometimes within days or weeks of each other. This has undoubtedly added time, confusion, and frustration for all stakeholders involved. Utilizing this approach also circumvents the entire purpose for the ESAC."

"A change is needed in the way the State Elevator Program works with ESAC. We need a transparent, cooperative approach where both sides are part of the discussion and decision-making process. We need to have confidence that the effort put forth will result in a meaningful outcome that serves the interests of the stakeholders."

As a follow-up on this one, also reviewing, the Elevator Safety Advisory Committee did a review of the Stellar Audit. The Stellar Audit was completed in 2016, and since that time, there have been multiple chief elevator inspectors, and all have worked at making the department improvements in these areas indicated by the Stellar Audit.

Below are 10 of the 11 conclusions from the 2016 Stellar Audit and the ESAC's current view on the status of each to be either improved, no change, or worse, and these were from -- not from the alternates but from the primary members.

A committee member may not have voted



1 on a conclusion that they did not have experience with. And there's a note that the 2 conclusion 6 was a shared goal of safety and did not 3 4 require a status review. The first conclusion of Stellar Audit 5 was that the elevator program does not follow a 6 consistent rulemaking schedule that aligns with the 7 release of new ASME standards. The ESAC committee had 8 six votes of there's no change from the original audit 9 10 and one vote of it's worse now than from the original. 11 Conclusion 2 was elevator program does 12 not have a formal criteria for amending national 13 standards. This had a vote of three for improved, four 14 for no change. 15 Conclusion 3 was most stakeholders do 16 not feel that they have sufficient access to the rulemaking process or that their input is considered, 17 18 with four votes for improved, one vote for no change, two votes for worse. 19 20 Conclusion 4: Official guidance about 21 rules is not consistently documented or clearly 22 communicated. One -- excuse me, 2 votes for no change, 23 five votes for worse. 24 Conclusion 5: Elevator program did not adequately document the need for a small business 25



1	impact statement or a quantifiable cost benefit
2	analysis, part of the rulemaking standards adoption in
3	2013. We have four votes for no change and two votes
4	for worse.
5	Conclusion 7 was a
6	non-customer-centric approach to enforcement, differing
7	expectations that created an antagonistic atmosphere.
8	Two votes for this is improved, five votes for it's
9	worse.
10	Elevator program not meeting the
11	statutory requirements to inspect each conveyance
12	annually. Three votes for no change, four votes for
13	worse.
14	Conclusion 9: Program has
15	insufficient data and information to inform decisions to
16	manage workload. There were four votes for no change.
17	Conclusion 10: The elevator program
18	lacks expertise, skills, and understanding of common
19	management practices and tools, as well as adequate
20	resources. Vote of four for no change and three for
21	worse.
22	Conclusion 11: Elevator program lacks
23	strong business relationships both externally and
24	internally. One vote for improved, four votes for no
25	change, two votes for worse.



1	As we are going through it, in the
2	review, six of the ten Stellar Audit conclusions
3	indicate no improvement as seen by the ESAC. And since
4	the audit, there have been multiple chiefs working to
5	make improvements in these areas without success. ESAC
6	feels that the department needs to do a self-examination
7	to see what is inhibiting the chiefs from succeeding in
8	making these improvements.
9	And that concludes the review and
10	letter of the ESAC.
11	I'm going to open this up for
12	comments.
13	Having no comments, Brian?
14	MR. HORNBACK: Let me try this again
15	with the mic off.
16	This is Brian Hornback from the
17	Department of Labor and Industries.
18	Ricky, thank you for the letter, for
19	the concerns, and for the summary.
20	I'm sure most of you probably know
21	that Ricky sent me an email with a summary on this right
22	near the end of September and that was just about the
23	time we're making some change with the with the chief
24	position, at least a temporary.
25	So one of the things that was a



concern was, you know, the -- given the items and the processes that the department put in place to address the Stellar Audit, has that stayed? Has it -- did it go by the wayside? Was it something we did and then removed, and/or what we've done?

So that was where I spent a little bit

of time, is that our SharePoint site had essentially all the documentation showing what was done as a response to the Stellar Audit.

What I found is, and this will make you happy, is that we migrated SharePoint results or SharePoint sites, so I have to go back and get them to restore the previous SharePoint site so I can find all the documentation of the work that was done.

So that's -- you know, this is -- this is transparency. This is where we're at, is to grab that and find out were these -- were the steps that were taken, are they -- are they still in place, and I don't know that.

And then I think when we've got that, then my question will be to come back to you, to all of you, and say were they effective, or do we take these and, you know, if they're -- if they're still in place, what's not effective, what's not working.

So I think one of the questions that I



have in terms of doing this better, and in terms of responding to this letter and to the current situation as you all have seen it, is how do we have an opportunity to greater involve ESAC in what steps we take going forward, rather than as a department saying, well, okay, ESAC said this, let's do that. How about --how about ESAC said this, now let's work with ESAC to figure out what that looks like?

I asked Ricky a question that I got a very disappointing answer to. I said what did it look like when the elevator program ran well and was effective for the -- the community across the state? And his answer was, "I don't know, I've never seen it." That was disappointing. So, you know, partly it doesn't give us a roadmap to get back to what you would consider success. So now we get to redefine success and redefine the roadmap.

I am curious from your perspective and from Gerald's perspective, would we be more effective to take this group, or a subset of this group, and work through the conclusions you have. So when you say you see no improvement, my question is what are you looking for? What would it look like from you? What would the department's behavior look like if there were improvement?



1 On those places where some folks said that you see improvement, what did that look like, what 2 is that improvement? So how can we replicate that, or 3 do we need to expand on that, et cetera? 4 So I think we've got a good basis. 5 appreciate the information shared, but I think we've got 6 a long way to go to figure out how do we effectively 7 work with that and make a difference. And -- and I'm 8 9 interested in the committee's perspective and in 10 Gerald's perspective in terms of how do we -- how do we 11 actively take steps from here rather than sit on the information and say, hey, thanks for that, and let's go 12 13 back to business. Because that's obviously not working 14 for you or us. 15 I'll pause there. 16 CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Thank you, 17 Brian. 18 Scott, you have your hand raised? 19 MR. CLEARY: Yes. Scott Cleary MCI. This is indicative of what I see as 20 21 the problem. You know, we're going to -- we're going to 22 go back to -- we're going to look at stuff. We can't 23 find this, we can't find that. 24 I'm the most senior person right now 25 sitting on the ESAC. I've been on ESAC since I was Page 19



seven. I've been the chair, vice chair a couple of times, and I've not seen any improvement. My concern is that going back, we've been asking for things for a year. We've wasted a year of our time trying to get things resolved, and we still don't have the answers, and we don't have the paperwork.

In any other real world, this wouldn't be acceptable. There's no consequences. We keep kicking the can down the road. We've got to go look at -- find these records. We've got to have more meetings. We have meetings all the time, and we're still not getting tangible results and things back. I'd be more happy just to be told, hey, we're not going to include you and we'll make our decision when we make our decision, other than being told it's coming Friday, it's coming Friday.

And it's just not 17.3. There's a lot of other things. The State doesn't even have a list of approved products. I don't understand why. You write -- you give permits out of them. Why isn't there a list of approved products? We just ran into a problem because a product wasn't on the list that's been approved for years. So it systemic, and I think it's cultural with the State.

You know, I might be -- I might be



outstepping my bounds, but the bottom line is is that things have to change systemically internally. And it's just not the chief. This is -- this has been going on for years. This is -- this audit was precipitated in '16 when Jack Day was there. Then Dottie came in and just about did everything except dislocate her elbow patting herself on the back that all these metrics have been met. They weren't, and it's a living document. Just because you met them maybe one place in time doesn't mean they're that way now.

So I feel completely useless on ESAC, and I think if you talk to the other members, they'll say the same thing. We put a lot of time in because we want to do things that make things better. This is not a place where people want to do business. I don't think it's the employer of choice. That was -- that was all in the audit. So just saying that we're going to get back to you, or we're going to go find something that we can't find, it's not okay with me. Because you hold us to different standards than you do yourself internally, and that's not a fair and equitable way of regulating.

You know, we've tried really hard. We put a lot of time and effort into it, and we're no further now than we were back in January or February.

It's been six years, over six years since you codified



1 and adopted 17.3. Think about that. We're going to be going through 2 another TAC. Do you think -- how motivated do you think 3 people are going to be to put proposals together and 4 spend a lot of time to go through the adoption process 5 6 when we can't get a simple guidance letter on the direction of 17.3? There's always something. 7 So I'm not being disrespectful. 8 I'm 9 not pointing out one person. I think it's the culture 10 at L&I, and it's systemic. 11 Thank you for your indulgence. 12 MR. HORNBACK: Thanks, Scott. 13 Ricky, you're on mute. 14 CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Sorry, 15 gentlemen. 16 Duane, you have your hand up? 17 MR. LEOPARD: Duane Leopard, City of 18 Spokane. 19 I have to agree with what a lot of 20 Scott has to say. You know, I've been the City of 21 Spokane 14 years now. Until I became a member, I 22 attended a whole bunch of meetings driving back and 23 forth when driving was still in the style, you know, attending biweekly meetings and everything else. 24 plus TAC committees, and discussing specific items and 25



1 issues, and the ESAC and/or the TAC would suggest often 2 things, a lot of things, only to see that a high percentage of them were turned down. I'm not even sure 3 that they were considered. 4 Oh, you know, I feel frustrated on my 5 6 side because, yeah, I'm putting in a bunch, and I feel 7 like I'm not only representing the City of Spokane but also the East side of Washington. A lot -- a lot of 8 9 time has been spent by these ESAC members, and it's

really kind of discouraging to continue without changing some of this stuff, being kept in the loop, but also

listened to and action taken. It's something that can

13 be solved.

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We can -- we can work as a team.

Teamwork keeps coming up, and I'm not sure that the elevator L&I office is working as a team with ESAC. And I just -- myself, I hope that it can improve. Maybe we can all sit down and figure things out so that we can communicate and different things like that.

But I hope that this -- this letter brings out the good in everybody, and we just decide to work together. It can be done.

Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Rick Henderson.
Thank you, Duane.



Garry?

MR. WOOD: Obviously, I'm not going to keep hitting on the points that Scott and Duane kindly hit on. But I wanted to also add one extra piece.

I've been with the -- involved with ESAC for about eight years now myself in different capacities with different companies, and so forth, and one of the biggest issues that concern me -- and we have some very, very good State employees, there are some very good team members, part of L&I Elevator Program -- they're not properly funded, which isn't a secret to anybody. They're not properly supported from above, which impacts what's going on out in the State with safety. There -- and we've had this conversation before.

But at the end of the day, the State has an obligation to meet requirements by the RCW to annually inspect elevators. They can't do it without proper funding, proper quantity of inspectors, and so on, and it impacts all stakeholders. It impacts the chief on down for the workloads, everything. I mean it's no secret. So I believe that a certain amount of it is due to the improper funding and the lack of accountability from above.

I appreciate the time, but that's the



1	part that I wanted to add was the funding piece and
2	the the domino effect that that's had.
3	Thank you.
4	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: This is Rick
5	Henderson.
6	Thank you, Garry.
7	Jan and then Carl.
8	MS. GOULD: Yeah. Jan Gould, City of
9	Seattle.
10	I'm just going to piggyback what Garry
11	said. Without having the full time FTEs to do your
12	annual inspections and no process in place, this is
13	beyond the A17.3 for inspecting elevators that might not
14	have been seen or conveyances for five years. That
15	that's just a grave concern.
16	That's it.
17	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: This is Rick
18	Henderson.
19	Carl?
20	MR. CARY: Yeah, Carl Cary. Fujitec
21	Elevators.
22	I just want to add also again, I
23	also don't want to rehash all of the points that
24	everyone has said.
25	But on the 17.3, on the potential path



forward that has been presented to the ESAC that, by the way, we just recently got, which is frustrating in and of itself, to us it doesn't seem like a logical path forward for enforcing 17.3 or a way that you could, you know, move forward in that way. And we're still waiting for clarification on questions related to how that will be potentially enforced and if that's even allowable under the law, so.

Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Thank you,

Carl.

This is Rick Henderson.

And like I said, I think, you know, nobody -- nobody here on the ESAC committee wanted or liked to submit this letter here, but I did want to just say that we are -- I think everyone on the ESAC is still committed to moving forward and working with the State in getting a good relationship, and doing what we are -- what we're assigned to do and required to do, and what we should be doing. It's just a level of frustration from all the committee members that I think was -- had reached a breaking point that something wanted to be done.

Brian?

MR. HORNBACK: Yeah. Brian Hornback



from Labor and Industries.

So Ricky, first off, I want to -- you know, for all of the members of the committee, don't be -- don't feel bad about sending that letter or about putting pen to paper and telling us what's going on. The bottom line is the Department's response, the Department's inability to make this in a way -- to work with you in a way that meet your needs, puts you in that place.

So I recognize that we put you in that place. You didn't do it. So don't be -- don't be feeling bad about doing it.

I just sent the letter that you -that Ricky forwarded to me. I sent it to Director Sacks
and to my boss, Steve Reinmuth, with the -- basically
with the intent that they will ensure accountability for
myself and for Gerald for the elevator program, Gerald's
leadership team, for working with you to make a
difference.

So what that looks like, I'll probably have, I'm guessing, a number of conversations with Gerald and Ricky to start with. Not to exclude the committee, but he's a great point of contact for -- for advice and saying, hey, if we did this or how -- you know, what works best for you as a committee to see some



1	movement going forward.
2	So again, I appreciate what you said,
3	Ricky, and appreciate you said nobody wanted to send
4	that, but bottom line is that we as a department, we
5	need to have the courage to look at it and make a
6	change.
7	So I just wanted to make sure that you
8	don't don't be bashful about sending that. We
9	appreciate the feedback.
10	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: This is Rick,
11	Rick Henderson. Thank you, Brian.
12	Any other comments, feedback on the
13	letter? If not, we can move on to the next item on the
14	agenda, which is the CMP project update.
15	Candace, did I get the timing right on
16	this one for the group?
17	MS. TAYLOR: I believe so. We're here.
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19	CMP Project Update
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21	MS. TAYLOR: This is Nicole Taylor,
22	Nicole Taylor at L&I.
23	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: I think I got
24	it right.
25	MS. TAYLOR: Okay. Well, thank you. Page 28



And good morning, everybody. Okay. So switch of topics here.

CMP project: Myself, Nicole Taylor from L&I, as well as Amy Reynolds and Christa Rodriguez. We're all here to just give you an update on where we are with the project and the launching of the new system, as well as give you a demonstration of how to apply for a permit online.

So I'm going to go ahead and share my screen here and just walk you through the presentation.

All right. These are just the agenda points that we're going to hit today, but just to give you quick updates from the program, some recent accomplishments, some important dates that you guys will want to pay attention to for training and launch, and as well as how you can actually get in and start testing early. And then we'll go into the demonstration.

So this is the vision slide. We bring this to every ESAC or any all-staff meetings that we have, really any presentation for the project. This really is something that we have centered our whole project methodology and team around. It's really about building trust, breaking down silos, being super transparent about where we are and any challenges that we're up against, as well as just really managing the



scope really tightly so that we can get this launched to you. We know that you guys have been waiting for the system for several years, and this is really on its way.

All right. I did want to just ask Gerald if he would mind sharing a few talking points this morning, just from his perspective of what he's seen in the project recently.

MR. BROWN: Good morning. Thanks everybody who's joined us from our committee portable -- portal agenda today.

The project team continues their efforts as we come closer to our February 26th launch date. I want to thank everybody who voted for the topic at today's demonstration and our recent poll, the team that demoed the process applying for a permit, which is the most requested topic. We appreciate your votes, comments, and other features that are really important to us as we move ways for further demonstration of those items that we have coming up.

All of your program staff have access to the portal now, and we are testing functionality. There's a lot of work still happening to develop the portal. The team makes great progress. Things are getting real. I was able to participate and get our -- see half of our inspection team is involved in testing



1 this functionality. That's a good thing. We're going to be able to -- one last 2 call for customers to participate in testing. 3 Please participate if you have time and interest. 4 We expect to be in formal training 5 6 into late January. We have -- please watch the CMP web page for updates. If you haven't already, sign up for 7 the Elevator Program's newsletter to stay informed about 8 9 our developments. 10 This is really good to actually see 11 all these concepts we've been talking about actually 12 come to pass. And we would encourage all of those that 13 have a vested interest, which is everybody on this call, 14 to be able to sign up and participate in our testing so when it comes to that rollout date when you need to 15 16 renew a permit or pull a permit, that you'll be able to have some hands-on environment testing, or be able to 17 18 participate in these demonstrations so it's not rare to 19 you. 20 But I want to thank everybody again 21 for being able to be here today. 22 And I'll turn it back over to Nicole. 23 MS. TAYLOR: Thanks, Gerald. 24 All right. So just sharing with you 25 guys what we've been up to lately. We've been working



really hard on data migration, moving everything from the old system into the new system so that we can move over your inspection history, or permits, and invoice payments, et cetera; right? So making sure that that's all moved over into the new system. That's going fairly well.

We've been working on the document migration, so copies of things from like plan review, documents that we're sending out from the agency, et cetera.

Also working on some cleanup of the company details and contact information. We have lots of companies still in the database from several years ago, over ten years ago, that aren't necessarily doing business with L&I any longer. So we wanted to clean those things up, as well as just the conveyance information itself. We have conveyances that have been in service in the state for a very long time and have gone through two migrations of different systems in the past. So just making sure that those things fit into this new system as well.

We're also working on training development. We have lot of activities happening in that space right now, and a lot of work to get ready to launch this early next year. And again, we have been



working with internal users on some acceptance testing, so we have had people in the system getting their hands on it and validating it.

Some important dates to keep in mind that are coming up here, if you want to take a screenshot. We'll also be posting these things on the CMP website, like Gerald had mentioned. Make sure that you sign up or you -- you visit that site frequently.

We're going to have external user testing coming up in January where we'd be asking this community for testers, any volunteers who would like to get in and practice filing a permit, or paying an invoice, or just seeing your information in the system responding to inspection corrections, et cetera. So that's coming up in January.

We're going to have training happening in January and February, so there's going to be different videos and things getting launched and materials that you'll be able to download off the site, as well as, of course, the system is going live at the end of February. So February 26th is the date to mark your calendars for. That system will be live to everybody on the website.

So what is user acceptance testing, and why am I talking about it, and why are we offering





this opportunity? This is a very common practice where we have -- a vendor develops requirements and solutions, and we validate those things and make sure they are working correctly. So we're going through right now, and we've been testing since January to validate that the fees are calculating correctly, and the permits are getting processed correctly, and the workflows work, and we're able to see a conveyance come in the door as a new install application and make it all the way through the life cycle through inspection and possibly even decommission, right?

So we've been testing lots of different scenarios, over 2,800 scenarios so far, of all the different intricacies of the elevator program.

So what we are now asking for is folks who are going to really be using the system in the future to get in, get your feet wet, test it out, let us know any initial feedback that you have. There is still slightly a little bit of time for us to make some adjustments, some small adjustments before we launch. But any feedback that we get from now through the next several years, we're going to be collecting that and working with the vendor to continue to enhance the system over time as we continue to roll this out.

So it is not too late to volunteer.



You should definitely get in and play with it, get familiar. We will have lots of training materials for you, but it's always good to get that hands-on experience.

This is a list of testers that we've had volunteer so far, so we will be reaching out to you if your name is on this list to set up some time in January.

If you would also like to volunteer, please email the elevator help section inbox. The girls in the Central Office will make sure that we get your names on the list and that you also are added here for January.

Okay. So now we'll get to the good stuff. We'll get to the system demonstration. So I just wanted to go over a few benefits before we pull that up and just make sure that everybody is aware of what this new system can do.

One, you can apply for permits online which is, of course, what we're going to be presenting today. Everybody took the poll that we had sent out, and it was a high vote to see permits, the permit process. So we'll go through that today. You're going to be able to pay for those permits online. You're going to be able to print them online. You're also



going to be able to renew those online, and you can renew multiple permits at one time.

You're also going to be able to purchase and renew your annual operating certificates online. Those -- of course, the only thing that really holds those up these days is snail mail, and then making sure that we receive payment for those certificates. So the ability to do this online means you can renew online and print same day. You don't need the Department to, you know, wait six weeks before you actually get your certificate in the mail.

For the proof of correction process, that's all about responding to inspection corrections. You can also request extensions or waivers if you need further time or you disagree with a particular correction. That can all be done online. And you're also going to be able to receive alerts and reminders via email when action is needed. So you'll get email notifications when you successfully complete transactions, as well as we're going to contact you via email when it's time to renew your permits or your certificate, et cetera.

Okay. So now we'll get into the demonstration here. So let me just make sure -- I'm going to click one page and make sure I stayed logged in



1 the whole time. Perfect. Okay. I'll go back to home 2 3 here. Well, I think I stayed logged in. 4 Let's make sure it brought us back here. I might have 5 6 timed out while I was doing all that talking. Okay. This is the main page when you 7 log in, and the text is a little bit smaller on this 8 9 particular screen right now so I'll zoom in just a 10 little bit. When you log in, you'll see your 11 information reflected here. I'm logged in as 12 Nicole Taylor. I work for Taylor Elevator Contracting 13 Company, and so I'm seeing that company's information 14 here and the email address. I also see here on the

Of course, today is all about applying for a new permit, so we'll stick with that option, and we'll go right into the process. So when filing a new permit application -- filing an application, excuse me, for a permit, you'll have lots of options here. So new install, conveyance hoist installation, permit, or alteration, or variance permits are also available online. I'm going to walk us through the new install

left-hand side all of my options for the different

transactions or information I could look up in the



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process here.

So when I select new install application, I'm then presented with the applicable permit types that I could purchase or apply for here. So commercial conveyance, I have all of these different types here that I can select. I also see the residential conveyance when I scroll down just a little bit and those particular types of conveyances there.

So for today's purpose, I'm going to go through just the commercial, and I'm going to select passenger hydraulic. And I'll just click next. Once I've made my selection, then the system knows which questions and which fields are going to be required of me as I walked through the application, so it's dynamic once you make that initial selection.

So now the very first screen that I'm presented with is for me to verify my entity information, so the company that I work for, Taylor Elevator Contracting. Primary contact information is displayed from what's already saved within the system. So Nicole Wiseman, who's my coworker, not to be confused with Nicole Taylor, she's here as the primary contact.

It's also pulling over my contractor license information, and it would display here as well the expiration date and status of those licenses for



1 quick viewing as I proceed. Of course, I'm using test information in this environment so this is not 2 displaying accurately. 3 4 MS. RODRIGUEZ: Nicole? 5 MS. TAYLOR: Yes. 6 MS. RODRIGUEZ: Yes. Please stop here real quick. There's a question that's just clarifying 7 what permit application you're working on. Is there a 8 9 change of ownership from an application, or is that 10 another process? 11 That would be a separate MS. TAYLOR: 12 If you're going to -- if there's a transfer of process. 13 ownership, you'll want to work with the elevator program 14 directly on that, so you'll want to give them a call. 15 This is specifically the new installation application. 16 So second tab here, once I confirm my company information is to verify the address 17 information, and we have a few different addresses. 18 So 19 we have the entity mailing address information, of course, for the Taylor Elevator Contracting Company. 20 21 And then I also have the option to input a different 22 permit mailing address. If I want my correspondence for 23 this permit to go somewhere else, I can indicate that here, or I could copy directly from that mailing address 24

if I want to keep it the same so I don't have to type it



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all back out.

And then I go on down here to the site location. Site location would obviously be where the conveyance is located, right? From here, we have a quick lookup if you want to leverage an existing site location. So maybe there's already an elevator there, or maybe you're filing multiple permits at one time and you've already -- maybe you're working on your second one, right? So you could look up the site location information here. I'm going to go ahead and type in 1234 Main Street because I know that I've already had a conveyance there, and I'm going to go ahead and select the one I want, which shows my address here, the correct building name, and my contact person.

And then there's also this job site contact information. This would just be that person that we should talk to directly about the permit, or talk to about when we want to go do the inspection, et cetera. So just who should we really call. If it's not the main company contact and it's somebody else, we want that name here. If not, then you can just copy from any of the other addresses so you don't have to retype that information.

So I'm just going to copy from my entity, proceed forward. And I am moving kind of fast



just because I know time is limited for you all this morning. So if anybody wants me to slow down, please just let me know.

I forgot to put a name there and there.

Okay. Moving on. All right. So then owner information, this would be where you relate the permit to whoever owns it. So we would go and add here, and we have two ways this can happen. So the first way is if you just know the owner's UBI number right up front, and you know that they're already existing in the system, you can just type that directly in here. So I'm going to just demonstrate that, 456, okay. And I'm going to click search, and that's going to pull up Taylor Buildings, who's the building owner in the future, and that just pre-fills all of their information here.

Now, if I select "no" in the space because I don't think this owner maybe exists or maybe L&I doesn't recognize them quite yet, I want to fill out all of this information. You can do so. The UBI number is still a required field now in the future, and once you input that number, the system is still going to do a lookup. So as soon as I input that same UBI number here, the system will then alert me that that person





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      already does exist, and if I click okay, we can pull
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      their information right in.
                                   So again, it would be a way
      for me to automatically pull in Taylor Buildings'
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      information.
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                        UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hey, Nicole.
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      What about temporary construction hoists?
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      the hoist and the erector of the hoist very rarely are
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      the same entities, so.
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                        MS. TAYLOR:
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      hoist actually has a different application process.
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      back in the first step when I selected new install, right
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      below that I had construction hoist installation as an
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      option, and it would kind of change the flow here and the
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      questions that are required for that application.
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      it'll look a little bit different when you go to file one
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      of those.
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                        I do see a couple hands, though, so
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      I'll pause here.
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                        And go ahead, Scott.
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                        MR. CLEARY:
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      this field won't come up for a residential; correct?
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                        MS. TAYLOR:
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                                     Because it can be
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                        MS. TAYLOR:
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1 MR. CLEARY: All right. Thank you. 2 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I'm trying to 3 lower my hand. I can't. 4 MS. TAYLOR: That's okay. 5 All right. Thank you. 6 Okay. So moving forward here, I'll just save this. 7 8 Then I'll show it to you that Taylor Buildings with that contact information is now listed in 9 10 the owner area, and we can move forward. 11 This additional information section is 12 really where the bulk of the information gets input, so 13 this would be where you would attach a copy of your 14 plans. We're getting rid of plan review. It will not 15 be in service anymore when this is live. You will 16 instead attach any plans for your permit application 17 directly right here, and it will all be received by L&I at one time, and it'll be a lot easier as well to kind 18 19 of go back and forth if there's any questions, or we need any additional copies in the future. So you'll 20 21 attach those kinds of documents here, and that's --22 that's a pretty standard upload feature. You just click 23 add here, and you start browsing your files and upload a particular document. 24



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So I'll just grab a quick test

1	document. My computer might freeze.
2	Okay. There we go. Need some coffee.
3	It does take a second to upload here. I grabbed a
4	fairly decent-sized PDF.
5	MR. BROWN: So as you use this system,
6	if it takes a little bit for yours to load, you can
7	remember that Nicole, hers took a little bit to load too,
8	so.
9	MS. TAYLOR: Yes, and it's usually when
10	it's processing something for the first time that day.
11	So this is the first time I'm attaching the document.
12	There we go. So it does take a little bit sometimes, and
13	then other times, it moves very quickly.
14	So once I have those documents
15	attached, then I can move down here into this conveyance
16	information section. And let me actually sorry. I'm
17	going to go ahead and attach another one because I know
18	that I'll get an error later. Bear with me while we
19	wait one more.
20	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Nicole, while
21	we're this is Rick Henderson.
22	While we're waiting, I think Scott has
23	a question.
24	MS. TAYLOR: Oh. Go ahead, Scott.
25	MR. CLEARY: Scott Cleary, MCI.



1	Now, will this are you going to
2	have an approved list of products that have been
3	approved by the State that interfaces with this so the
4	program will know that this has already been vetted,
5	it's been field vetted, and it's approved? Because
6	right now there's an inconsistency with that
7	understanding of what's been approved and what hasn't
8	been.
9	MS. TAYLOR: I'm not sure I followed
10	your question.
11	MR. CLEARY: You're coming up we're
12	putting all the different products in, but there's
13	products that have been approved by the State, and
14	there's products on that list that haven't been approved
15	yet.
16	Will this program know what's been
17	approved by the State and what hasn't?
18	MS. TAYLOR: I see Poa's hand up, so
19	Poa's going to jump in here and help me.
20	Go ahead.
21	MR. CLEARY: Thank you.
22	MR. PAOAKALANI: No worries, man.
23	Unfortunately, there isn't a checks
24	and balances, like once you input something into the
25	system that it checks to make sure it's an approved



product or anything like that. Unfortunately, no. The project hasn't been provided anything for that type of function to be put into the system, just like you said earlier in the public discussion part how there still isn't any list available for these pieces of equipment. We don't have anything to be built into the system for that type of function in checks and balances, unfortunately.

MR. CLEARY: Scott Cleary, MCI.

So how does that -- so how do we make sure that the products that are being put through this program are approved or not? There's got to be, in my view, some checks and balances on this, or things can just get approved that having been looked at by the State and we're not sure if they're code compliant or not.

MS. TAYLOR: Great question.

I think where you maybe are leading into is kind of what happens after this application is submitted. And so for that, once this is submitted, it does go to the State directly for review still, so we'll have technical specialists reviewing the plans and the application to confirm that it does meet requirements.

But I also see Sergey's hand. So Sergey, please go ahead.



MR. DOLGIKH: Sergey Dolgikh, elevator technical specialist.

So when we're speaking of vetted product and approved product, it goes just like it always has, via process of request for new equipment to be considered for the vetting process and for the -- being considered for the permit process to be -- to be involved. Just a standard permitting process.

So before standard permitting process begins, we are asking for the manufacturers to reach out to us and to submit a standard documentation that we have, a paragraph of what the process is, and we send it out to the manufacturers. And then we -- after we get all the information, technical specialists get together in the review meetings with the chief, and we are making sure that the product is code compliant. And the chief makes final determination on whether the product is good to go for a standard permitting approval process.

Then the vetting inspection. The first time vetting inspection takes place, and after vetting inspection confirms that all the aspects of the new equipment that were described in the vetting documentation are concurrent with each other, then the product is fully vetted and allowed for inspections in the field.



After that, personally me, I have this -- part of my role is to put it in our SharePoint internal website, all the documentation, which I'm actually doing right now as we are in this meeting for a couple of different products. And then that information is internally available for our staff to look at if they need to confirm and verify certifications and things like that. This is currently what the process is for vetted products and vetting products.

If we were talking about adjusting a little bit of that process, I don't know if it's going to be connected to CMP specifically by default to be able to access this information, but SharePoint also is morphing into something that may be turned into external sort of website, like we have a public website now. I don't know about those things, but that's the rumors I heard. And there might be a possibility in the future to be able to look those things up.

This is all I got for this moment as the question was asked. If you have follow-up questions, by all means, let me know.

MR. CLEARY: Scott Cleary, MCI.

Sorry to take up so much time. But this is a -- there's got to be some sort of a box in there so the inspector knows that this is going to be a



vetting inspection, not just a regular inspection, because there's more to it. And I know in the past that inspectors weren't aware that with the inspection they were doing was supposed to be a vetting inspection.

So I see this as a concern, and I -we need to have some sort of mechanism in there that
triggers a box or something for the inspector, as well
as the company.

MR. DOLGIKH: Thank you.

Sergey Dolgikh, elevated technical

So, Scott, to address that comment, we do have, as part of our standard process when we have a new equipment, we have -- we put in stamp on the drawings that indicates that this first-time equipment that is being done, the inspection is being done on that first-time equipment out in the field, that it's being vetted as part of vetting inspection, and that's the standard process that I'm aware of. That's the standard process that I've used, and the permit gets the same stamp.

So I don't know if this in the past, if this was missed or not followed, I don't know. But as I stepped into this, that's what I'm told to do, and that's what I'm doing with my stuff.

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specialist.

1 So that's all I got. 2 MR. CLEARY: Thank you. 3 MS. TAYLOR: Thank you both. 4 MR. CLEARY: Thank you. MS. TAYLOR: And we'll take that also 5 6 as a takeaway for feedback, Scott. Thank you. And we'll make sure that we've got something in place. 7 So after I've uploaded these 8 Okay. 9 documents here, the rest of this section is all about 10 inputting the conveyance information details. 11 So, of course, I'm putting in test 12 information here. So, of course, Samsung is probably 13 not a typical manufacturer using -- and these numbers 14 probably make no sense to anybody in the industry. 15 not pretending to be knowledgeable in this space. I'm 16 just showing you here the different required fields and the different information that's going to be included. 17 18 So you'd put in kind of all of the 19 specifications here that typically you're putting on an application sheet or continuing to help answer questions 20 21 about as you go through your process. 22 But essentially, once you start 23 filling this out, kind of one key area I wanted to 24 highlight here is the conveyance designation field. That's really your description for your record, so you 25



can quickly identify this particular conveyance.

So you would want to just say like where it's at. So West corner, or building A, or tower 1, or car 1, car 2, car 3; however you typically describe your conveyances internally would be the name that you'd put here.

And then you'd fill out this specification information. Work your way towards the bottom of the page. Some more of this information here. You can tell the required fields by the red asterisk, and the optional fields do not have that, of course.

So I'm just going to kind of skip down through these optional ones for the sake of time. The very last section here on this particular page is about the contract value. So you'll want to put in the contract -- total contract value for the permit, and then this is what then is reflected over to the State.

So once you move from that page, we just have a couple of additional questions for you here.

Is this in an existing building yes or no? I'll say yes, because I already looked up my site location. And then the second one here is just to help us doublecheck that this really is something in our jurisdiction. And then we'll continue forward.

And the very last page here on this



online application is just the attestation stating, of course, that this information is true. I understand that I need to input that full contract value, and this information is true to the best of my knowledge. And it will automatically pre-fill your name and today's date, and this -- your name directly as the person who's logged into the system. So when you get registered, that will fill here. So then you just submit the application.

This then goes to the internal staff. They make sure that we did receive everything that we needed, and then it'll pass on to the technical specialist for review.

Right here, once I clicked submit, I'm presented with the fee details page. This will then calculate based on contract value, type of permit, et cetera. Total value here.

Now, you can choose to pay here online right now, or you can submit and pay later. So we do know that some folks have, you know, a cap on their credit cards, may not be able to purchase the permit on a card, or they might need to reach out to their financial team and get a paper check for a particular invoice amount.

So if you choose submit and pay later,



1	it will fall to your invoice page where you'll be able
2	to see that. You could still pay online, or you could
3	print an invoice and send it to your financial
4	department.
5	I'm going to go ahead and click submit
6	and pay later, just to show you that functionality.
7	And it appears I have a bug here at
8	the very tail end.
9	There we go. Submitted. Okay. So it
10	has been submitted. I have a transaction number 2593.
11	It also provides me with some expectations here. It
12	might take some time. If you want to pay via check, you
13	can take it to a field location, or mail it to us here.
14	And if you wanted to view that invoice and print it,
15	again send it to your financial folks. You can do so by
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17	If you wanted to see a PDF summary of
18	everything that you submitted online, you can print that
19	out right here for your own records.
20	But I'll also show you where you can
21	view this just directly through your portal. So I'm
22	going to click return to home. The internet might be
23	getting slow here. There we go.
24	Okay. Back to home. Now, if I click
25	on manage invoices, I would find that particular invoice



because, again, I said submit and pay later. I didn't choose to pay directly online right away.

What I can also do is I can view my pending applications. So that 2593 transaction number is right here, new install. You can see the status of it. It's pending application review. It's currently ready for administrative review, and I'll be able to watch the process right here on this page.

So you can tell which applications

I've already submitted via mail, which ones I have

submitted online, which ones are in technical specialist

review, and which ones have just entered the pipeline

right here at the administrative step. Once these are

approved, you'll be able to print them out online.

So go back to the home page again.

You'll be able to go to manage my permit link instead. When you click on that, then you'll see any permit that has been approved and the current status of that. So I can see here I have already for Taylor Elevator Contracting several commercial conveyance permits. I can see what types of permits those were for, and I can see the permit status. So these have been finalized. I've still got an active one here, et cetera.

And then the last thing I'll point out



is that you can also renew right here online. I'll show you here. The system will automatically display back to you any permits that are eligible for renewal. So when you click the renew permits link from your home page, it will then load two options here.

permit, or if you were logged in as a building owner, you'd have the ability to renew an operating certificate. So renewal for permit, and this is the one I have eligible for renewal. So it's actually not quite reaching its expiration date yet. It's still got a few months here, but if I wanted to renew early, I could.

And if I had a long list of things here, I could also choose which ones to renew or not renew. We have this little dropdown here on the side that you can indicate for each individual record which ones you're ready to renew or not. So you don't have to renew everything when you go through here.

And so that really concludes my demonstration on how to fill out an online application.

One thing I just want to circle back on again is that we do have multiple application types that you can file. So if I were to click on apply for new permit again here, we have the new installation, we have the construction hoist installation. We also have



1 the alteration permit and the variance permit. 2 So again, those different tabs and different fields throughout the application are 3 different depending on your options. But basically the 4 5 same process. 6 Any further questions? (No audible response.) 7 8 Okay. Well, I'm going to 9 MS. TAYLOR: 10 take us back to our slide deck here because we just have 11 a couple last slides, and then we'll let you go. 12 All right. So I'm going to pass the 13 torch over to Amy. 14 MS. REYNOLDS: Good morning, everybody. 15 Amy Reynolds. Thanks for giving me a few minutes of your 16 time. So let's talk about training. 17 So I'm going to share, kind of reinforce what you've already 18 19 heard about training, but I want to offer a few additional details. 20 21 So training is going to start in 22 mid-to-late January, and it's going to be offered in 23 multiple ways. On the CMP web page, you're going to 24 find videos you can watch at any time and user guides with screenshots that mirror the videos. So if you're 25



1 someone that would really prefer to print a document and follow along, you'll be able to do that. 2 3 We're also going to offer virtual training opportunities in January and February and 4 The training team right now is really focused 5 6 on creating materials first for the most common user tasks so that you'll feel comfortable using the system, 7 you know, pretty quickly after it's available. 8 So you'll see those posted in kind of waves, right? 9 10 two at a time, three at a time, four at a time. 11 So let's go ahead and go to the next 12 slide. 13 So as always, we appreciate your help 14 to ensure everyone in your industry knows what's coming. 15 So keep forwarding those newsletters, encourage folks to 16 sign up for the newsletter, and visit our website Encourage them to visit our website as well. 17 18 And then finally, we always appreciate 19 So we tested this link. It should be your feedback. 20 working if have you access to the chat, but I'm going to 21 put a link in the chat here to our survey. Give me just 22 a minute. 23 It's copied something else for me. 24 Okay. Here we go. Awesome. So that 25 should be available to everyone externally, and



1 hopefully you can see that link showing up in the chat. It's a very quick survey. Most of it's multiple choice, 2 but it really does help us know where we're getting you 3 the information you need, where you're feeling 4 confident, and where we could lean in a little more to 5 make sure that you are ready to use this system the 6 minute we launch it. Thank you for your feedback in 7 advance. 8 Back to you, Nicole. 9 All right. 10 MS. TAYLOR: Thank you, Amy. 11 All right. Just one last call for any 12 last questions or volunteers. Anybody wants to test? I 13 do see we have one volunteer here in the chat. 14 you so much. We'll definitely add you to the list. 15 If anybody else wants to volunteer, 16 feel free to add your names to the chat, or to reach out to the elevator section email, and they'll get your name 17 18 over to us. 19 Thank you so much. MR. BROWN: Just a real quick comment. 20 21 Thank you. I know -- I know it sounded like she 22 23 went through it awful quick, but the great thing about 24 this system is it -- it's more intuitive than what we'd

seen before, and so it's really going to help.



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1 We understand that like people who 2 file your permits in your offices, we understand that 3 there's a turnover rate. And with this new system, our goal is to have something online in our -- on our 4 website so you can do a refresher, or train new people, 5 6 or perhaps train several people in your office, so if that person is out, you can still get your permits filed 7 with somebody and by somebody in your office, and that 8 9 they will have the confidence in being able to do it. 10 It all looks new and different, but 11 once you get into it and use it a few times, like I 12 said, it becomes more intuitive. There's the roadmap on 13 how to get things accomplished and be able to satisfy 14 the business need, following up on your compliance 15 reports, things like that. The system is really going to help you as a external user to be able to get in and 16

That's why we did all this and spent all this money, is we're seeing -- we're going to see a great improvement on how externally that you can relate to the department and your business needs, and being able to do things online that we couldn't do before.

take care of business, and we're going to see a really

And so this portal is really the answer to those questions that we've had in the past.

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great improvement.

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There's a lot of things that this does that we haven't discussed yet, how our inspectors are getting in and being able to take part of the testing, and answers to pertinent questions about what they see in the field when they're out there inspecting your conveyances, and how we are able to get you these reports when they're done instead of batching them and things like that.

So this is really helping. It's nice to have the second set of eyes, the central office staff, to look at these things so there's no unintentional delays in permit filing.

But job well done to this development team. We've got some of the best and brightest working on this, and my hat's off to them because this is a huge undertaking, and they have met the challenge, and they're still meeting the challenge. And they're going to bring us across the finish line before we go live, and also be there after we go live to help -- help us make whatever improvements that we need to do.

But our base product is sound, and it's functioning, and that's -- that's what we want to see.

And so once again, thank you, Christa and Cole and everybody involved in this project. Poa has been a great help to us. He speaks elevator, which



1	we really like.
2	And so and we really depend on you
3	as the stakeholders to step in and get involved. And we
4	thank all of those that have volunteered for this, and
5	we look forward to having others involved too.
6	So thank you again.
7	MS. TAYLOR: Thank you.
8	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: This is Ricky
9	Henderson.
10	I appreciate that, everybody, for that
11	demonstration. It was really good.
12	Next item on the agenda is the
13	follow-up on the A17.3 inspections.
14	Brian?
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16	Follow Up Divisional Leadership
17	A17.3 Inspection
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19	MR. HORNBACK: Thank you, Ricky.
20	This is Brian Hornback, Department of
21	Labor and Industries.
22	So we have a approved policy from
23	both from our government affairs and policy division,
24	and from and approved by our AG, received a their
25	approval of it basically yesterday. So the next steps Page 61



is to work with you.

So what we have is a policy that we believe is effective and what we believe will work. And now we want to make sure we get it to you to get some feedback.

I'm going to bring up the policy letter and share my screen.

I've asked to have this placed on letterhead so we can actually send it out to you. So my admin assistant should get it on letterhead for me today. So I'll have letterhead at the bottom instead of the top because that's what I do. Let me share this.

So there's two documents that will accompany this. One is the actual, the overall policy statement, and then the other one is -- we'll bring that up as well, sharing that as well. We'll swap back and forth here.

The other one is essentially the side-by-side comparison work that -- in terms of a more detailed explanation of the WAC, what will be enforced, how we plan -- how we plan to go about that. If I try and walk you through this and explain it, then I'm going to get it all wrong.

So I'm going to invite Gerald to speak on that in terms of anything you want to make sure you





1 relay. I'll have both of these over to --2 Ricky, can I just send them to you this afternoon for you to distribute? 3 That'd be fine. 4 CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: MR. HORNBACK: And then from there, I'm 5 not sure how you want to go about getting feedback from 6 the -- from the committee, or if you would rather kind of 7 do a realtime where we set aside a conversation meeting 8 9 with the committee and Candace, et cetera. 10 I'm not sure the effective way to 11 come, gather feedback, and be able to tell us, you know, 12 what you think, where you think we need to adjust, et 13 cetera, so. 14 CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Rick Henderson. 15 Just shooting from the hip here real quick, I think I'd like to have some time for the 16 committee to review, and then we'll set some time to 17 18 discuss. 19 MR. HORNBACK: Happy to do it that way. 20 Trying to -- when I asked that question, trying to be 21 sensitive to exactly what you've -- what you've said 22 earlier and I don't disagree with, and that we don't need 23 to make the decisions behind closed doors and, you know, 24 hide a process and send for your feedback. 25 So I'm open to the dialogue, or open



1 to giving you time and then setting something up where we can get back together to do it. Whatever works best, 2 3 so. I'm going to pause for just a moment 4 and ask Gerald if there's -- Gerald, is there anything 5 you want to talk about in terms of the overall letter, 6 the policy statement, or the breakdown that goes with 7 that? 8 9 MR. BROWN: Sure. 10 Basically, what the policy letter 11 describes is this is a bridging policy between our 12 impending legislative -- legislative WAC rules update 13 that -- our ESAC and our newly called TAC, when we get 14 to that point, are going to be discussing changes and 15 revisions to our rules on existing elevators, review of 16 A17.3 adoption, and also being able to have a minimum safety standard in place in the interim, like I said, 17 18 bridging between what we currently have in adopted rules 19 and what we have in pending changes. 20 And so we established in here, 21 reestablished --22 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I've changed my 23 mind. 24 MR. BROWN: Okay. I don't know who 25 else is talking.



But anyway, we're trying to set what we refer to as a minimum safety standard to follow in the interim, and basically it's the same regulations that have been in place on these elevator -- existing elevators installed prior to '96 and 2000 that they've been under for 14 years. And then also basing this on the fact that because those were in place and the -- and the work that was done, we enjoy such a great safety track record where we don't have any recordable or trackable incidences or accidents related to not enforcing the complete A17.3 as currently adopted.

And so this is the change from having -- right now, we've suspended a blanket enforcement of all the A17.3 items. Our inspectors will go out and follow this appendix that was shown, which is a recap of selected previous rules that were in effect that govern this equipment that they've been subject to for, like I said, 14, 15 years. And we're using that as our minimum safety standard.

Our inspectors will go out and make sure that these existing elevators meet these -- still meet this criteria. If there's anything that's found to be unsafe, it'll be addressed like any other write-up. The building owners will receive a notice of correction or statement of deficiencies, just like we're normally



1	doing now, with other write-up items, and they will be
2	able to either correct those items in the 90 days that's
3	outlined, or they'll be able to file for an extension
4	request, asking for more time to comply to these items
5	that are written up.
6	But the policy statement leads to try
7	to create a clearer path to what we're doing in the
8	interim of legislative and rules updates.
9	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Thank you,
10	Gerald.
11	This is Rick Henderson.
12	Jan, you have your hand raised?
13	MS. GOULD: Yeah. Can we see the rest
14	of the document?
15	MR. BROWN: So what you got right now
16	is
17	(Cross-talk.)
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19	MR. BROWN: I tried to scroll.
20	MS. GOULD: No Appendix A?
21	Jan Gould, sorry. City of Seattle.
22	MR. BROWN: The Appendix A was the one
23	he showed before.
24	MS. GOULD: Oh, okay.
25	MR. BROWN: It had the two columns
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      approved by law?
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                        MR. BROWN:
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                                        This is Brian Hornback.
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                        Jan, with apologies, it's 23 pages, so
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      I figured you probably didn't want to spend the time
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      reading here, so.
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                        MS. GOULD:
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                        MR. HORNBACK:
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      I will -- I will have it over to the Department, over to
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      Ricky, as soon as my admin assistant takes care of me and
      gets that first document on letterhead.
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                        MR. BROWN: One important notation on
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      here.
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      you back to the current WAC rule. If we have a current
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      WAC rule under Part D, we are not circumventing the
      currently adopted WAC rule if there was one of these
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1	items in the previous 2014, 2013 WAC rule about a Part D.
2	The current wording is listed like
3	says through horizontal hatch type covers. We already
4	have a current Part D, and we're following the current
5	one. So if there was anything that was duplicated in
6	2013 or 2014 or that has been redefined in current WAC
7	approval, we make a notation through this Appendix A.
8	So this Appendix A is what the
9	inspectors are going to use when they go in the field
10	looking at this older equipment to make sure it's still
11	in compliance, or that it is in compliance, and using
12	if they have to cite that it needs to be corrected,
13	they're going to cite from the current adopted code of
14	an A17.3 equivalent until such time as we can complete
15	our WAC rules update process.
16	Sorry. Didn't mean to interrupt.
17	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Thank you,
18	Gerald.
19	Any other comments for Brian or Gerald
20	from the committee?
21	(No audible response.)
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23	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: This is Rick
24	Henderson. I did have one follow-up.
25	Looking into the TAC and the follow-up
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of the next step forward on this one of adopting new rules or formulating those, is there any kind of -- do we have a timeframe right now on when that's going to get started or any plan to get started?

MR. BROWN: Yes. We have -- that will be part of our legislative update with Alicia. We've had meetings on the proposed times to file our CR101, time to when we will start accepting the rules, changes in our tech applications, things like that, and then convening. We anticipate a pretty long TAC, probably all week, but not just a couple of days.

So we really encourage those that have -- be able to sign up for that when that becomes available. We'll make sure that that's posted and brought up to our ESAC members and to the other stakeholders. We have the criteria set up for what comprises the -- and the groups that are represented on the TAC. And then after the TAC meets, then it goes to ESAC where they'll also have an opportunity to vote up or down on the proposed changes, like the process we go through the TAC.

The TAC is a little bit more tedious than the ESAC because in the TAC, if somebody had made a recommendation for a change and four or five people make the same or a similar recommendation for that same rule,



1	part of the TAC is we consolidate it down, come up with
2	a final draft, and then vote it up or down. So the
3	TAC the ESAC doesn't have to go through that
4	time-consuming part of it where there's consolidations
5	going on.
6	Those who have served on TAC, you can
7	also even if you're not officially part of TAC, you
8	can still participate by being there to audit what's
9	going on. And if you have questions or concerns, you
10	can email your representative in your particular field
11	of interest to that TAC member, and they can ask, but
12	you would work through them.
13	And so it's it really is an open
14	meeting. It's just during the TAC, we're trying to get
15	those that vote to participate in the discussions and
16	but your input is still welcome. But that'll be the
17	vehicle to be able to bring up concerns.
18	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: This is Rick
19	Henderson. Thank you, Gerald.
20	Duane?
21	MR. LEOPARD: Duane Leopard, City of
22	Spokane.
23	Does anybody know right off what year
24	exactly A17.3 went into effect?
25	MR. BROWN: 2018 to 2019.



1 MR. LEOPARD: Thank you. 2 MR. CLEARY: Yeah. It was October 3 of '18. This is Rick 4 CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: 5 Henderson. 6 Carl? Thanks for the update, 7 MR. CARY: Yes. Gerald. 8 9 So go over one more time what you're 10 going to do in the event of conflict between that WAC, that addition of the -- essentially the 2014 WAC and 11 current code, if current code has something 12 13 retroactively that's required but the -- that part of 14 the WAC says that you don't have to install that 15 retroactive requirement. 16 For -- for example, a perfect example is single bottom cylinders, right? The current -- the 17 18 2014 version of the WAC says that you don't have to 19 replace it. You just have to log the oil. Al7 says 20 that single bottom cylinders retroactively are no longer 21 allowable. So, I guess, what wins in that situation? 22 MR. BROWN: The -- the portion of the 23 code that talked about -- the portion of the WAC rule 24 that talked about just logging, that went away in 2021. I struck that part of our rules change because we had 25 Page 71



1 adopted the approach in A17.1 to do the three options; to 2 replace the jack, to do a life jacket safety device, or to apply safeties to the car. That all became effective 3 4 in 2021. WAC rules change, and there again, 5 6 this is one of those items that when you have a chance to review the appendix, it will take you to the current 7 WAC rule and not refer back to what was in 2013, 2014. 8 9 MR. CARY: Okay. So 2303 as it was in that WAC I guess is no longer in this new one. 10 11 MR. BROWN: Correct. Correct. 12 you'd look to the current WAC. And throughout the 13 Appendix A, it'll list those items that have been 14 changed, that are currently enforced and adopted through current WAC rule, and that was one of them. But it'll 15 16 also list in the appendix, take a look at the current rule, and it'll just -- it's an easier way to adopt it. 17 18 It's like the old -- the 2013, '14 had 19 a huge section on MCP. None of that. All that was 20 struck from Appendix A because we already had something 21 in place. We're not reinventing the wheel. Of course, 22 we cannot enforce our site. The old code, it's a 23 quideline for the inspections, and it sets a temporary 24 safety measure when we're in the process of rule change.



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So when it comes right down to that

1	item, we have an A17.3 requirement. It's like when we
2	go out and do current inspections, we are following the
3	guidelines for A17.2. But as we understand, we can't
4	cite A17.2 as an infraction. And so because we're using
5	the guidelines of how to inspect it and what to look for
6	in A17.2 in our current inspections in the field right
7	now, when we actually make a citation, it always has the
8	A17.1 code reference.
9	Well, this process is going to be the
10	same thing, but instead of having an A17.1 code
11	reference, it'll have an A17.3 code reference because
12	that is still the adopted code. But it's not being
13	enforced right now.
14	Does that does that help clarify
15	why we're using this guideline?
16	MR. CARY: Across Fujitec, yeah, a
17	little bit. So again, are is a directive to
18	inspectors to write up single bottom jacks currently, and
19	if so
20	MR. BROWN: Yes.
21	MR. CARY: what timeframe are they
22	giving for correction?
23	MR. BROWN: The timeframe for
24	corrections will follow under the same write-up. They
25	have 90 days to either correct the any item that we



list, or to prevent -- present what we call a POC or plan of correction. In the new system, in the new portal system, it's called a POC.

But we just had it as the regular extension process where the building owner would say, hey, I got this bid from my -- from my elevator company, and when you get into underground stuff, we understand the cost estimate is like \$35,000. It's going to take me 24 -- you know, 18 months to 24 months to whatever to budget this money to have this correction. And then I will -- they will submit that to me for an extension approval, and it will -- we will follow that due diligence guideline. So we have a plan of action in place.

We're not setting an arbitrary -- you got 24 months, you got two years, or five years to fix this. We're never going to do that again because that just did not pan out, and it niched everybody in a box. The smaller companies could -- the smaller business owners, building owners couldn't follow. They had no way to generate that much funds.

And so we are going to go on a case-by-case basis for the extension request, and if it comes down to a variance request for A17.3 items, we're going to follow the same guidelines that we do now. We



1	want to see if they're asking for a variance to waive
2	this expense, but they meet the minimum safety
3	requirements as outlined in Appendix A, then that will
4	be part of the variance.
5	So the variance process is still in
6	place and also the extension requests. So when your
7	customer gets that write-up like on their fire
8	extinguisher's not working, you know, hey, I can get
9	that fixed in 30 days, or whatever they do.
10	But it's it's we have we have
11	systems in place. We're not trying to create anything
12	new or anything that puts any unnecessary burden on the
13	building owner. So we already have we already have
14	the vehicle in place, and we intend on using it.
15	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: This is Rick
16	Henderson. Thank you, Gerald. Thanks, Carl.
17	Candace, did I see you had your hand
18	up there for a moment or
19	MS. LAU: Yeah. Candace Lau with L&I.
20	I think Gerald covered it.
21	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: All right.
22	So any other questions? Any other
23	feedback from the group?
24	So if I'm this is Rick Henderson.
25	If I'm following this correctly,



looking at it, the -- currently right now the State hadn't repealed or doesn't repeal A17.3, but it does set forth a variance process.

Is that -- am I kind of following that correct, Gerald?

MR. BROWN: Gerald Brown. Inspectors. Sorry, I haven't been doing that.

Basically, what we're doing is we have suspended blanket enforcement where I send somebody out with the whole 86 pages of A17.3 and start citing it.

Because the A17.3, the way it's presented and worded, it's really hard and difficult to have a clear definition of what's expected. A lot of it is interpreted differently, and that's the good part about having it in rule because it makes it plain spoke. And it makes it easier to follow.

so that A17.3, we currently have elected to suspend the blanket enforcement of it in the field by our inspectors, and that's -- that's about the extent of that. Yes, it's still an adopted code, and yes, we still have that. That will be the -- in the interim. Like I said, this is all a temporary measure until we have a chance to review and update our WAC rules process and put things in there that will help us reestablish guidelines for minimum safety requirements



1 for existing elevators. So prior to 2000. So yes, like I said before, the 2 citation won't be on the old rule. The citation won't 3 refer back to the adopted code, just like we're doing on 4 the A17.1 items that we're inspecting with the A17.2 5 format where we -- you don't -- you don't get cited for 6 A17.2 liabilities. It's a guideline, but it's -- yeah, 7 that's the -- that's the process. 8 9 CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Okay. Rick 10 Henderson. 11 Brian, you have your hand raised? 12 MR. HORNBACK: Great. Thank you. 13 This is Brian Hornback, Department of 14 Labor and Industries. 15 I'm just -- I'm going to attempt a real short answer to your question. I would categorize 16 it as a suspension of enforcement rather than a 17 18 rescission of the code or rescinding of the code. 19 rescinding of the code requires full rulemaking process. 20 So this is as requested statement saying what we are 21 doing for suspending enforcement while we go back to a 22 rulemaking process. 23 CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Okay. This is 24 Rick Henderson. Thank you, Brian. And if I'm understanding it correctly, 25



we're kind of -- it's almost like an automated variance process is what we're doing through the -- it's the policy that's going to be in place. We're doing a variance for the A17.3, and we're using the Part D to fulfill the requirements of the variance. So a better way to say it is --

MR. BROWN: That's basically what the policy is. You're correct. It's like a blanket variance where they don't actually have to file it. It's covered under a policy letter which we posted on the website along with the appendix, so everybody has access to it. Our inspectors will have that in hand, follow these guidelines.

Candace is going to be working with them on training our inspectors or tech specs of this is the -- this is how we're doing this. I'll work with them, everybody, so everybody is on the same page.

We'll put this out to the stakeholders so everybody understands this is what they're doing when they come on site on these older elevators.

Remember, my records show, you know, roughly 9,000 units were installed during this period. But it doesn't reflect the ones that had major alterations on them so they now meet all of these minimum State safety guidelines. When people file all



1 of the alterations and just -- you know, they're just 2 doing a door package. Obviously, it didn't change a 3 little job. But when you do a major alteration 4 that involves the controller, you know, all of the 5 6 aspects of A17.3 come into effect so we have again proper access to the equipment areas. And everything 7 outlined in that, that doesn't change, but that will be 8 9 reflected in the wording in the new Part D. 10 So just so you're aware that we're not 11 trying to, you know, write out an enforcement on an old 12 expired, like what we're using it as a safety standard 13 guideline at Appendix A. And we are indeed following 14 the currently -- the current wording and what's posted 15 on our website for existing Rule 296-96 Part D. 16 CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: This is Rick 17 Henderson. Thank you, Gerald. 18 Any further comments or questions? 19 Scott, I saw your hand pop up there for just a moment. Didn't know if that was a ... 20 21 MR. CLEARY: Yeah. Scott Cleary, MCI. 22 Brian, what you just said was -- makes 23 sense, but is that brief statement going to be put in 24 writing anywhere on how -- the suspension of it or that

mechanism so it's just plain bolded so we know exactly



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1	what the State is doing?
2	MR. HORNBACK: Great question. So I'm
3	assuming that the letter that we're putting forth doesn't
4	spell that out clearly enough for you. Is that is
5	that what you're saying?
6	MR. CLEARY: Yeah. I mean because
7	there's a little bit of ambiguity between both of you,
8	and what you said makes sense.
9	Is that spelled out in writing just
10	like you said it?
11	MR. HORNBACK: Unfortunately, it's not
12	in the letter as clearly as stated. Let me see if I can
13	do that.
14	So Gerald, let's take a quick look at
15	that, the letter, and see if there's a way to
16	incorporate that in that.
17	First off, is what I said absolutely
18	accurate? If I've got a piece of it wrong, let me know
19	that. But let's see if we can't today make that that
20	what I hope was a very clear statement of where we're at
21	and add that to the letter, if we can do that without
22	without delaying anything. I'm not sending it back to
23	the AG for another review after we add that.
24	So let's see if we can figure out, see
25	if we can get that in there this afternoon, okay?



1	MR. BROWN: Right. You bet, and this
2	is why we're sharing this with ESAC for input, just like
3	Scott who pointed over here because he's there on my
4	screen. Mr. Cleary pointed out that, you know, perhaps
5	that we need to touch up the introduction on it to cover
6	that. Just that's that's why we're sharing it.
7	That's why we want input. We need to work on all this
8	together like we talked about prior in the meeting, that
9	ESAC plays a vital role in making sure that this goes out
10	to the rest of the stakeholders clear and concise.
11	And thank you, Scott, for bringing
12	that up.
13	MR. HORNBACK: So this is
14	Brian Hornbach.
15	I will adjust that letter. I have to
16	go to a board meeting here in a couple of minutes, so
17	they'll get done with that. I'll put I'll adjust the
18	introduction to the letter to essentially make that
19	statement clear, send it to Gerald, probably Gerald and
20	Candace, ask them to review to make sure I didn't just
21	confuse the issue or get it wrong, and we'll we'll
22	still get that out to you today.
23	MR. CLEARY: Thank you.
24	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: This is Rick
25	Henderson, Thank you, Brian, Thank you, Gerald.



1	Further comments?
2	(No audible response.)
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4	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: With that said,
5	that closes out that part on the agenda and brings us to
6	the break portion of our meeting. So we're a little bit
7	early. I got 10:43. Our scheduled break is 10:45 to
8	11:00. I'm just going to let it go for 11:00.
9	If everybody could be back at 11:00, I
LO	would appreciate it. Thank you.
11	MR. BROWN: Thank you, everybody.
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13	(Brief recess.)
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16	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Well, we're a
L7	little bit after 11:00. Let's go ahead and get back
18	started.
19	Kelsey, are you ready?
20	MS. COURT REPORTER: Yes. Thank you.
21	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: All right.
22	MR. CLEARY: Ricky, could you put
23	the could you put the agenda up please, sir?
24	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Yes.
25	MR. CLEARY: Thanks.
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2	Chief's Report
3	Candace Acting Chief for 60 Days Expired
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5	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: So this is
6	Rick Henderson.
7	The next item on the agenda is the
8	Chief's Report for Gerald.
9	MR. BROWN: Okay.
10	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Gerald, do you
11	have things that you needed me to start sharing for
12	MR. BROWN: Oh, no. No, that was the
13	bad news. The bad news is my person who normally creates
14	that wasn't able to create it, so I've got numbers and
15	discussions today instead of graphics and things like
16	that. I can show pictures of my grandkids, but that's
17	probably, you know, plagiarism, so.
18	Jan?
19	MS. GOULD: Can you have them for next
20	ESAC?
21	MR. BROWN: Oh, yes. Yeah.
22	MS. GOULD: Thank you.
23	Jan Gould.
24	MR. BROWN: Absolutely. Yes, I will
25	have all of my ducks in a row. This is a stepping in and Page 83



1 out thing, so. 2 First part of the Chief's Report. Candace Lau, are you there? Could you turn your camera 3 4 on so we can see you. There's Candace. 5 6 MS. LAU: Okay. I can do that. As everybody knows, I had 7 MR. BROWN: to step back from my duties and assignments because of 8 the health condition that I had. And Candace was asked 9 10 to step up and serve as the acting chief. And I just 11 wanted everybody to know what an excellent job that she did and how much I really, really appreciate it 12 13 personally and professionally for the program and myself. 14 I'm able to focus on my recovery, and Candace is awesome, 15 and she's done and doing a great job for our program. 16 And thank you so very much. 17 I think we were all very comfortably 18 represented, and business of the program got taken care 19 of, and Candace has done an exceptional job. And thank you so much, Candace. And I think everybody else too 20 21 appreciates you stepping up and the leadership that you 22 showed, and your dedication to the program is very 23 evident. This is Candace with L&I. 24 MS. LAU:



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Thank you, Gerald. I appreciate that,

and I'm glad you're feeling better. 1 2 MR. BROWN: Thank you. 3 Yeah. We -- I sent out a notice to ESAC and our elevator staff and things like that about 4 resumption of my full duties as chief. And my health 5 6 has gotten to a really good place, and I'm just on a continuing treatment process that I do on my day off, 7 and everything is looking great. My doctor is happy, 8 and she started to use those terms like remission and 9 10 stuff like that. So, how can I not be happy? 11 So thank you again for everybody's 12 support and thoughts and prayers in my behalf, and I'm 13 so very grateful. 14 So Ricky, your hand's up? 15 CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: This is 16 Rick Henderson. 17 I just wanted to, you know, also say 18 thank you for Candace for being able to step in and 19 doing the fine work that she always does. And I'm also 20 double thankful for the good reports you got for your 21 health, and that you're back. Very, very good. Thank you, Gerald. 22 23 Thank you. MR. BROWN: Thank you, 24 everybody. I appreciate all the well wishes I receive, 25 and thank you again.



I'm going to go ahead and go into our scorecard and accident review report.

Scorecard & Accident Report Review

MR. BROWN: As far as our accident review since the last period, time period, reporting period since the last ESAC, we had five accidents reported; four on an escalator, and one on an elevator. Fortunately, all of them were minor in retrospect.

And we -- we've had, in our inspection reports that are out there, all types of inspections that our programming has done in the last reporting period. We've done 5,703 inspections, and that covers annuals, and turn-ons, and things like this.

So even though we have a limited staff, everybody has stepped up and done a great job. And I'd like to thank our partners, our stakeholders' partners, in having their jobs ready to make these inspections happen so we're not having to go back so often as, you know, perhaps it's done in the past. We appreciate everybody's hard work to get everything done.

We have some great news. We have a brand shiny new Inspector II in Spokane. His name is Jim Dorgan, and Jim has joined our team and is in the



process of onboarding, and we are very fortunate to have Jim. He is -- will be serving, like I said, in the Spokane area, and we are just really happy. We're really grateful to upper management for making that happen and finding the funding.

and then in addition to that, we recently got notified of an additional position that we can fill, Inspector II position, and will be recruiting for that shortly. That will also be over on the East side because we were pretty short over there, and so we are in the process of getting that processed and posted. And it geographically is in the Yakima area. We'll actually have an inspector posted over there to take care of that area and to assist us in neighboring areas. And then as conditions warrant, that we will be able to have additional inspectors over here on the West side of the State for some positions that we have there.

But we have -- we had seven open positions, and now we have six unfilled positions, and hopefully after this recruitment, there will only be five, and we'll continue to work on that. We've got a commitment out of upper management to keep an eye on our -- on our budgeting and things like that, to offer positions whenever we can and whenever they can help us that way. And so that's all good news.



1 Duane? You're muted. 2 There we go. 3 MR. LEOPARD: Well, from my side of the state in Spokane, I'd like to say hello Jim, as shiny as 4 he is, and actually I'd like to meet him sometime. Have 5 6 him give me a call. We'll get coffee. MR. BROWN: Wait a minute. Are you 7 hiring? No, I don't... 8 9 MR. LEOPARD: As a matter of fact --10 (Cross-talk.) 11 12 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: You got it. 13 MR. BROWN: All right. All right. Ι appreciate it. Thank you for your comments. I 14 15 appreciate that very much. 16 So we have 27 inspectors, Inspector IIs currently. We have two Inspector Is that have 17 18 carried on our residential inspection program for our 19 18.1 equipment, and they are doing a great job. hopefully, we'll be able to get our positions, staff, 20 21 sooner than later. 22 I know that we've got a commitment out 23 of the highest management that we are not going to 24 balance the budget of safety inspectors. Regardless, 25 the way it appears, they have the same urgency and angst



as we do to get our inspector positions filled.

We have -- as far as the -- our backlog is concerned, it's pretty much equal to the missing inspectors and not -- not in excess of that. So that gives us great hope to be able to bring this to a really high ratio, especially with the implementation of our new CMP program. We'll be able to have more finite tracking, scheduling, things like this, tools for the inspectors to use and for you to use to help get these inspections done.

Scott Cleary.

MR. CLEARY: Yeah, thanks.

I always -- you know, I'm quick at times to bring up the inadequacy of State, but I want to say what a great job that the IBEDs have done in the past, and they seem to work really well. And that's a program that I think has really been successful. I like to see it expand a little bit, but everybody involved in that has been doing a great job.

MR. BROWN: Thank you very much. And they deserve it. They work very hard. They're very dedicated, and they -- and they're carrying a full load with doing, like you said, the IBED program. They're also out in the field cross training for Inspector II's, which is part of what the Inspector I program is about.



1 But I know that they keep an eye on the shop to make sure 2 that they don't miss anything and people aren't unnecessarily waiting for inspections, and that the 3 quality of the inspections is as high as it is. 4 Thank you, Scott, for that input. 5 6 Thank you very much. We're down still one central office 7 staff admin for me so I can get my graphic reports up on 8 9 the screen but -- and to keep me on track, so hopefully 10 that'll be in the works there somewhere too. 11 So are there any questions so far on 12 the scorecard or any of the information that we had? 13 Jan? 14 MS. GOULD: Jan Gould, City of Seattle. 15 What percentage of annuals are 16 completed? 17 MR. BROWN: Well, there again I'll have 18 to have a scorecard run on that to be able to answer that 19 I know that we've slipped quite a bit as far question. 20 as we were up in the 70 percent range, even though we 21 were down like four inspectors and still up in the 22 70 percent range. And I know that has slipped some 23 because of our number of inspectors. We did have one 24 other inspector announce his retirement here in the last

week-and-a-half, but he won't be leaving until May.



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And

1 so I know upper management is keeping an eye on that too. 2 And they're trying to be supportive as we can. We don't know anything, hard answers on that yet. 3 But yeah, I believe it's down a bit, 4 but I don't think it's down to 40 percent like it was 5 6 when I started, so. 7 Scott. 8 Scott Cleary, MCI. MR. CLEARY: 9 For those who had the chance to work 10 with Dave Cates, I think everybody needs to know that he passed away a little bit ago, and kind of a sad thing. 11 He was a good inspector and represented the State well. 12 13 So I just wanted to pass that on for the record. 14 MR. BROWN: Thank you, Scott. 15 I have it on my sheet here. So yeah, appreciate that. 16 he'll be missed. Every time we lose one of our senior inspectors to retire unfortunately or death like this, 17 it's -- it takes a -- it takes out a huge block of 18 19 experience and training and the good work that he's done. 20 So we want to let you know that we do 21 indeed have a dedicated staff, and they are doing above 22 and beyond things to try to capture and get as much work 23 done as we can. The empty routes aren't really 24 necessarily empty with their efforts to pick up annuals

and do inspections in the open routes and help us out in



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that respect. We're not trying to burn anybody out 1 because, heaven knows, we don't want any more 2 retirement. But we are addressing this, these issues, 3 4 and we appreciate it. Like I said, one more time, we 5 6 appreciate you guys having these shops ready to go, and that helps us immensely. And if you have questions or 7 concerns about our inspection scheduling form and the 8 9 items that are on it, you know, and why those are so 10 important, and how well it's actually working, it's 11 helping you work with your site contractors most of the 12 time. And it's -- it's important that we continue to 13 follow that -- those guidelines. 14 Jason. 15 Yeah. I just wanted to MR. HOWERTON: say we put together just a couple of slides for the City 16 of Seattle. Once you're done, Gerald, if you guys got 17 18 time, we'll throw up kind of where Seattle is at if you 19 guys are interested. 20 MR. BROWN: That would be great. 21 Yeah. Jan Gould. MS. GOULD: 22 We were asked at the first-touch base 23 meeting after the last ESAC to do that, so. 24 MR. BROWN: Oh, okay. Yeah. Well, 25 I've reached conclusion of my scorecard and accident Page 92



1	review. If anybody has any questions, contact me
2	directly, put them in the chat.
3	But I'll turn over some time to Jason
4	and Jan.
5	MR. HOWERTON: All right. Thanks for
6	that, Gerald.
7	Let's see if I can get something up
8	here for you guys.
9	Everybody see that all right?
10	MS. GOULD: Yep.
11	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yes.
12	MR. HOWERTON: All right. So I'm Jason
13	Howerton, City of Seattle Conveyance.
14	So what this is, this first slide here
15	just represents our inspections, annual inspections from
16	January through the end of October. We're at about
17	7,700 inspections so far for the year. We're tracking
18	at about 99 percent completion rate through October.
19	That's pretty consistent with where we've been for the
20	last almost 18 months.
21	The next slide here relates to
22	inspections performed. So I'll give you guys a second.
23	And let me know if anybody wants me to send this to
24	them. I can do that as well.
25	This is basically installation permits



1	for '23 and '24. The gray represents '23, and the green
2	is '24 of a month-by-month issuance. The last graph
3	doesn't include installation inspections, just annual
4	inspections. So this just gives you a rough number of
5	where we're at month over month. That's pretty much
6	what we've got.
7	And if anybody has any questions,
8	happy to answer more. Send us out if anybody's
9	interested.
10	Jan, did you have anything you wanted
11	to add?
12	MS. GOULD: No, but can you drop them
13	in the chat so people can grab them if they want?
14	Jan Gould.
15	MR. HOWERTON: I absolutely will.
16	All right. Thanks for your time.
17	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Hey, Jason.
18	This is Rick Henderson.
19	A quick question. On that second
20	slide that you have up there right now, it says
21	installation permit issuance. So are these permits
22	issued or inspections performed?
23	MR. HOWERTON: This is just permit
24	issuance, the numbers. I hadn't pulled together the
25	numbers. I'll have them for the next one of the actual



1 total combined inspections for installation and annual. 2 CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Okay. 3 MR. HOWERTON: But this just reflects 4 issuance. CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: All right. 5 6 Thank you. 7 MR. HOWERTON: Yep, you bet. CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Scott Cleary? 8 9 MR. CLEARY: Scott Cleary, MCI. 10 Jason, do you have a procedure in 11 place to figure out or how to prioritize inspections that haven't been getting done in the prior year? 12 13 Is there -- is there a priority on how 14 you arrange to get to 100 percent? 15 MR. HOWERTON: No, because we -- what 16 we came to -- the conclusion we came to is chasing back and forth with the old with the new. 17 18 We basically just started over September a year ago, and we started from the beginning. 19 20 And one full calendar year, we have been to every single 21 site. And even though that graph shows 99 percent, I 22 can tell you that we have inspected every single 23 conveyance in the City of Seattle's program over the 24 last 12 months, every single one. Obviously, not 25 everyone passed, but everyone has had at least one site Page 95



1	visit, and many of them have multiple follow-up visits
2	to make sure that the people are actually complying with
3	the corrections we've issued.
4	So we've been to every single site.
5	MR. CLEARY: Does that include 18.1
6	equipment, commercial 18.1 equipment?
7	MR. HOWERTON: Everything. Every
8	conveyance, all 99,000-plus conveyances in our program
9	have had a site visit within the last 12 months.
10	MR. CLEARY: Fantastic. Thank you.
11	MR. HOWERTON: Absolutely.
12	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Duane?
13	MR. LEOPARD: Just a quick question for
14	Seattle. Can I borrow two of you guys for about two
15	months?
16	MR. HOWERTON: We're not currently
17	farming out any employees, but we'll let you know how it
18	goes.
19	MR. LEOPARD: Just fill in, get me
20	caught up. You guys are doing great on your percentages.
21	MR. HOWERTON: It's been long and
22	painstaking to get here.
23	MR. LEOPARD: It's tough to get to
24	catch up what's lost, the time. That's why I need about
25	six people for about two months. That would be good.



1	MR. HOWERTON: We'll see what we can do
2	for you.
3	MR. LEOPARD: How about eight? Okay.
4	I'll quit now.
5	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: All right.
6	This is Rick.
7	Jan and then Scott.
8	MS. GOULD: Jan Gould, City of Seattle.
9	Duane, are you still the only
10	inspector in Spokane?
11	MR. LEOPARD: It's wonderful being
12	lonely. Yes, I am. We have a current opening too. I'll
13	get into that later.
14	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Well, Scott?
15	MR. CLEARY: Scott, MCI.
16	I just wanted you to bring that up,
17	Duane, that you're you're fighting alone. There's a
18	lot going on, and you don't have a lot of support. So
19	my hat's off to you keeping things at least above water.
20	So well done.
21	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Well, no other
22	questions on the on the Chief's Report Scorecards.
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1	Legislative Updates
2	State of Washington
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4	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: That moves us
5	to our next agenda item, which is legislative updates for
6	State of Washington.
7	Alicia, do you have any updates for
8	us?
9	MS. CURRY: Yep. Thanks, Ricky.
10	So I know I'm sorry. Alicia Curry.
11	I'm the FSPS senior policy manager.
12	At the last meeting, we had talked
13	about getting started on the elevator rulemaking project
14	for code adoption and putting together the timeline for
15	what that would look like, and we have established a
16	draft timeline for everyone.
17	Megan has been working closely with
18	the elevator program on that piece, so I'm just going to
19	turn it over to her so she can share all of that with
20	you.
21	Megan, are you there?
22	MS. EDWARDS: Yes. Thank you, Alicia.
23	I'm sorry.
24	MS. CURRY: Thanks.
25	MS. EDWARDS: Hard time finding the
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1 unmute button.

Hi. Megan Edwards for Labor and Industries for FSPS.

I'm a management analyst, and I do the rulemaking for our public safety programs.

So like Alicia said, we have been working or I have been working with the elevator program to come up with a timeline for you guys. So this is a tentative timeline. We all know that sometimes snafus happen, and things get moved. But as it stands right now, we intend to file the CR-101 package for the code adoption in February 4th of next year, and then the 102 package will be then filed in January of 2026.

We intend to hold a public hearing in February of 2026. We discussed and we will be holding two separate public hearings. One will be in person in the Tekla office, and the other one will be held virtually a few days later. And then we plan to file the 103 package in May of 2026, and then the rules will go into effect July 1 of 2026.

Any questions?

MS. CURRY: Megan, can we share what we're looking at as far as dates for accepting proposals and applications to participate in the TAC for everybody?

MS. EDWARDS: Yes. Sorry.



1 That will happen after the 101 is 2 filed. We will begin accepting applications for the TAC and proposals in February of 2025. Right now, it's 3 scheduled for the 5th of 2025, and that will go for just 4 over 30 days, which will go until just towards the end 5 6 of March. And then we will notify the TAC 7 members and the applications shortly thereafter, the end 8 9 of March, and begin the review process of those, end of 10 March through April. And then we will publish those in 11 May, and then we will start -- begin scheduling those TAC meetings for May of 2025. 12 13 Go ahead, Scott. 14 MR. CLEARY: Scott, MCI. 15 What will trigger small business 16 impact, and is that being looked at? Is that being put into the schedule? 17 18 MS. EDWARDS: Yes. That will happen 19 once we do the review and do what we call the rule analysis tool. It will trigger that, and then that will 20 21 go off to a different program that will develop those, 22 both the small business impacts statement and the other 23 documents required for that. 24 MS. CURRY: So we'll know more -- I'm 25 sorry, Scott.



1 We'll know more, too, about what that 2 looks like once we know exactly what the proposals are, what the changes are, what the -- what is in the 3 4 schedule. We're planning on doing a cost benefit 5 6 analysis. I mean we expect that there's going to be a cost benefit analysis, right, and a small business 7 economic impact statement just to the scope -- the 8 9 number and the scope of the changes that are being made, 10 so. 11 MR. CLEARY: What's the anticipated 12 schedule, impact on schedule to go through that process? 13 MS. EDWARDS: Can you say that again? 14 Sorry. 15 To go through that process MR. CLEARY: 16 of doing an impact statement and then having everything checked and balanced and public -- public meetings and 17 18 that, what is the potential impact until that schedule 19 that you just laid out? 20 MS. EDWARDS: So to do the CTA and the 21 small business impact statement, we have it scheduled for 22 a five-week -- it's a five-week process to get those 23 reports done. 24 MR. CLEARY: Thank you. 25 MS. CURRY: And that could change,



Scott, depending on, you know, the number of changes as 1 2 well. 3 MS. EDWARDS: Yes. MS. CURRY: I mean it could go a little 4 bit longer, it could be a little bit less. But we just 5 6 kind of got an estimate in our timeline of about five weeks, but it can take longer. I mean if we have, you 7 know, fifty rules that are going to need to be analyzed, 8 9 it can take awhile to get that process done. 10 MR. CLEARY: Thank you. 11 MS. CURRY: Yeah. We're kind of at a 12 guessing game right now until we know how many proposals 13 are going to come in. So we're kind of just -- we're --14 this is a timeline based on what we're kind of 15 anticipating, so. 16 MR. CLEARY: Scott Cleary, MCI. 17 Because we're going to be looking at 18 it more in depth. We're going to look at 18.1 this 19 time, which we didn't do last time. We're going to look at A90 and probably 10.4. So I think it's going to be a 20 21 pretty big TAC and a lot of proposals, I would 22 anticipate, especially now that we're going to look at 23 how we work on Part D of the WAC. 24 So I think that's optimistic. I think it's going to be a heavy load. I've been involved in 25



1	two of these, and so there's a lot that goes on, and
2	there's a lot of internal stuff for you guys to go
3	through. So the sooner we get started, the better.
4	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: All right.
5	This is Rick Henderson.
6	Alicia, I'm assuming that concludes
7	the update?
8	MS. CURRY: Yes. I don't have anything
9	else to share at this time.
10	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: All right.
11	Thank you.
12	MS. CURRY: I mean other than, you
13	know, legislation, or legislative session is starting to
14	gear up, and that's scheduled to begin on January 13th.
15	So just to share that with everybody.
16	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Okay. Thank
17	you. This is Rick Henderson.
18	Thank you.
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20	City of Seattle Update
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22	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Jan, any
23	updates from the City of Seattle side?
24	MS. GOULD: Yep. Jan Gould, City of
25	Seattle.
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1 I'm going to share my screen first, 2 and I put this in the chat on 8:28 this morning. So 3 these are all the codes. 4 Can you see my screen? CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: 5 Yes. MS. GOULD: Okay. 6 These are all the codes that adopted on November 15th of this month, and 7 they're all 2021 except for Seattle Boiler Code 2024, and 8 Seattle Amendments to the National Electrical Code is 9 10 2023, and we're adopting the NEC 2023. 11 And then very briefly, we made -- I'm 12 going to do this very quickly. We're going to have 13 another industry meeting in early January, and we'll go 14 over changes to chapter 30 and to the 620 section of 15 Seattle Electrical Code. 16 But in the past, since long before I got here, we always required 48 inches working clearance 17 in front of disconnects and controllers no matter if it 18 19 was hot to neutral, or hot to ground, or hot to hot. are now going with 110.26 Al for clearances, so that's a 20 21 good thing. These machine rooms can be smaller. 22 A couple more quick changes. We are 23 now allowing an AC, MC, and MI cables in -- related to elevators. This is under general wiring methods so it 24

includes the elevator hoistway, machine room, and



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escalators, where we haven't allowed this in the past.

And the length can't exceed 6 feet.

And then under 620.26, our electrical panel board that we've required since 2014, SEC, you can have a door on it, but you can't have a lock. So many times on annuals we've gone out, and somebody in the building has locked the panel, and we can't get to the 110 circuits, such as the car lights and such to verify that they're working.

And then under 620.27, prohibited equipment, nothing can be in front of the panel board or -- including the main line breaker is prohibited from the machine in the control room. And so an exception is -- and their associated secondary conductor, overcurrent protection disconnects.

And then under 620.91 right here. Oh, and again, if you've got a big panel board in the machine, you know, we can't have a cover over it because the electrical code is not real clear about being accessible, so you can't have a panel blocking your breakers to get to it. So we've added that.

And then, let's see real quick here.

Oh, that's just a code reference where you can see other requirements for location of disconnects and see 3020.6.

And under the 18, that was 3020.5.



1	And let's get down to guarding the
2	securing of equipment, non-elevator equipment, wiring,
3	pipes, and other materials are prohibited from the other
4	machine hoistway, pits, machine rooms, control rooms.
5	Only such equipment and wiring that pertain directly to
6	the elevator and its operation are permitted in these
7	spaces. And then see chapter 30 for further protection
8	or information.
9	And then let's find
10	I missed it. Sorry.
11	620.91. It's under an informational
12	note. We've added as well a pit sump pump should be
13	supplied by emergency or standby systems as required by
14	the Seattle Building Code. And under our Seattle
15	Building Code, chapter 30, only FSAs and occupation of
16	evacuation operation elevators, sump pumps are required
17	to be on the generator or emergency power.
18	Any questions?
19	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Jan, this is
20	Rick Henderson.
21	In the notes there in the chat, the
22	effective date was November 15th.
23	MS. GOULD: Yep, a couple of days ago.
24	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Okay. So just
25	a couple of days ago.



1 MS. GOULD: Yeah. 2 CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: So the codes 3 that we're looking at right here that you have up, is that -- they're available on the City's website? 4 I can send you the 620 of 5 MS. GOULD: 6 2023. And I just asked our engineering 7 services to get us a clean copy of chapter 30. 8 We found a mistake about four months 9 10 ago that was important, and so she didn't get back to 11 But that will be available, and we'll have that available in the meeting invite for both of these, for 12 13 our meeting in early January. 14 CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: All right. 15 MS. GOULD: And I can get it to you as 16 soon as engineering services gets it to me. available to the public, it usually takes a few months. 17 18 CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Okay. 19 MS. GOULD: And remember in the City of 20 Seattle, we go by the issuance for construction. 21 by the issuance of the building permit, not the elevator 22 or electrical permit. And for modernizations, we go by 23 the application date of an alteration permit, unless it's got an associated building permit associated with it. 24 25 Then we go by the building permit.



1	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: This is
2	Rick Henderson. Thank you on that one.
3	So the new buildings, it'll be awhile
4	before this gets seen in the new buildings, but for
5	mods, it could be pretty quickly.
6	MS. GOULD: Yes.
7	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Those have a
8	much quicker turnaround.
9	MS. GOULD: Correct.
10	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Thank you, Jan.
11	MS. GOULD: And we didn't excuse me,
12	Jan Gould.
13	We stayed with 2019 ASME A17.1. We
14	did adopt the 2028 18.1 for accessibility lifts.
15	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: This is
16	Rick Henderson.
17	Is there plans on trying to harmonize
18	with the State whenever they for the adoption of the
19	next edition of the A17.1?
20	MS. GOULD: Yes. We plan sometime in
21	2026 to adopt the A17.1 2022. In Seattle, we can't adopt
22	standards between code cycles. All we can do is an
23	errata excuse me when mistakes are found. So we
24	won't be adopting the 2022 until sometime in 2026.
25	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Thank you, Jan.
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1	MS. GOULD: Mm-hmm.
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3	ESAC Subcommittee Status Updates
4	Conveyances in Rental Units
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6	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: That brings us
7	to the next item on the agenda, which is the subcommittee
8	status updates.
9	Jim, do you have an update for us on
10	the conveyances in rental units?
11	MR. NORRIS: Yes. So just a brief
12	overview is our goal was to bolster the language in the
13	current WAC as far as what is the actual definition of a
14	private residence, and then expand that to be able to
15	have inspections in those places that did not meet that
16	requirement. And additionally, for point of sale of
17	houses, I shared the sort of the final draft of our
18	of our language. We're strictly looking at WAC changes
19	and not RCW at this time. I shared that with the
20	committee a couple of weeks ago.
21	And so I think at this point we need
22	to have a vote to say this is what we're presenting to
23	the State, what can you do for do with our language,
24	or where would we be at on that.
25	I'm not sure if Gerald saw that. He
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1	wasn't on the last meeting I don't think. But it did go
2	to Candace and everybody else.
3	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: This is
4	Rick Henderson. Yes, I think that would be the next
5	appropriate thing. But I notice we have some comments or
6	hands up here.
7	Jan?
8	MS. GOULD: Jan Gould, City of Seattle.
9	I have the document up. Would you
10	like me to share, Jim?
11	MR. NORRIS: Do you want to read the
12	whole thing right now, Ricky?
13	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: I don't think
14	we have the time to read the whole thing. Hopefully, the
15	ESAC members have had a chance. Like you said, they've
16	had it for two weeks. I would hope that we that
17	everybody's reviewed it by now.
18	Scott Cleary?
19	MR. CLEARY: Scott Cleary, MCI.
20	I think that's a great idea, Jim. I
21	think the next pre ESAC with the whole committee I think
22	we can should take a vote on it.
23	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Okay. This is
24	Rick Henderson.
25	Andy? I see you have your hand up.



1 Andy, you're muted if you're speaking. MR. NORRIS: While he's trying to 2 unmute, I was trying to get it into the -- into the 3 messages, the comparison language document for everybody 4 to see if they want it, but I couldn't seem to get it 5 into the message box. 6 CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: 7 Yeah. There's -- this is Rick Henderson. 8 There's some issues on some -- some of 9 10 us being able to put anything into the chat. So I think, right now, we have a 11 motion in front of us to move this to our next ESAC 12 13 committee meeting to vote on this, to move it forward to 14 the -- to the Department, not in this meeting but in two 15 weeks when we have our quick touch-base meetings. 16 With that said, for the committee members, the mains on the committee members, if we could 17 18 have a quick vote on it, or if you're an alternate that your primary is not here, you can have a vote on it. 19 Move to have this voted on in our next 20 21 meeting, raise your hand. 22 And I see six -- and with eight, nine 23 members raising their hand, I think we've got a couple of extras. But that does -- I believe that does pass, 24 25 so this will be voted on in the next meeting to move



1	forward up to the Department.
2	I appreciate all the work on that,
3	Jim. I know there's been a lot of work on your part,
4	and it's been much appreciated. And a good way to
5	finish up the year for you.
6	All right. Appreciate it.
7	MR. BROWN: Ricky, you might look in
8	the chat. Andy was having some problems trying to speak
9	there, but he did put a comment in chat.
10	Can you see that?
11	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Will we have
12	a I can't seem to unmute. Will we have a chance to
13	review?
14	The ESAC committee members can review
15	to move it on. If you I don't believe the outside
16	of the ESAC committee for review, I don't think that's
17	typical procedures that we go by.
18	Scott, do you have any you've been
19	on the committee here for longer than anybody else. Do
20	typically the committee members or does this get
21	opened up to outside the committee?
22	MR. CLEARY: Scott Cleary, MCI.
23	Usually our stakeholders can make
24	their comments to their representative, and their
25	representative can put that into the calculus of what



1	they want to do. So I think it's appropriate if
2	somebody wants to see it and then bring up their
3	comments to the representative, I think that's fair.
4	We've done that in the past.
5	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: So, Andy, I
6	would recommend that you reach out to your representative
7	and ask for a copy to review and give your feedbacks to
8	it, to your representative.
9	And I see Andy
10	MR. BROWN: The list of representatives
11	is on the screen right now. So whichever group
12	represents your interests there, Andy, that would be the
13	person you would contact. And you could go to the L&I
14	website to get an email address to contact that person.
15	So that would probably help.
16	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: And if you're
17	not getting a copy of it here, or somebody else, you
18	know, reach out to me or your representative, and we'll
19	make sure you get a copy to review.
20	Thank you for that interest in that,
21	Andy. I appreciate you.
22	Scott, you still have your hand up.
23	MR. CLEARY: Scott Cleary, MCI.
24	I think this is a great way of doing
25	it. We want we really want our stakeholders to give



1	feedback to representatives because that's what we're
2	here for. It's (audio distortion) speaking, and
3	we want to know what impacts our stakeholders and have
4	their comments back so we can make a very good, informed
5	decision that we may not think about. You might be in a
6	situation and have some really good questions.
7	So this is what we encourage everybody
8	to do that's on these meetings is if you have comments,
9	get them submitted, call, email, text your
10	representative so we make sure that it's just not us
11	voting. It we're getting feedback from our
12	representatives or from our stakeholders.
13	So thank you.
14	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: This is
15	Rick Henderson.
16	I 100 percent agree with you on that,
17	Scott. I feel like, you know, the more stakeholder
18	interests that we have here, the better job we do as an
19	ESAC.
20	So it's very much appreciated, Andy,
21	your interest here.
22	And please, looking for more feedback
23	from our stakeholders.
24	MR. CLEARY: Scott Cleary, MCI.
25	We don't want to do our work in a



1	vacuum. We want to be very transparent. We've been
2	beating this drum for a while. So please give comments
3	back. We represent you. That's why we're on this
4	committee, and so exercise that. Ask questions.
5	If you're not sure which direction to
6	go, you can contact me, Ricky, or anybody on the
7	committee.
8	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Yeah.
9	MR. CLEARY: Thanks for your you
10	know, we want you to be involved, and that's what makes
11	it important.
12	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Absolutely, and
13	I'm going to see if I can drop the link in the chat. On
14	the L&I website, there is the page where all of the ESAC
15	members contact information.
16	MR. BROWN: Matthew Erlich already put
17	it on there for you. That's that
18	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Oh, there is
19	it. Thank you. I appreciate it.
20	MR. BROWN: Under programs committee.
21	So thank you, Matthew.
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23	Cab Interior Alterations
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25	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: All right.
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1	That brings us to the next subcommittee status update for
2	Cab Interior Alterations.
3	Jason and Jan?
4	MS. GOULD: Jan Gould.
5	Jason, do you want to speak?
6	We have not I think we were asked
7	to take this on in late May, and we have nothing to
8	report, embarrassingly, at this time.
9	We'll dig in next year here, Jason?
10	MR. HOWERTON: Jason Howerton, City of
11	Seattle.
12	Yes, we are. We've started doing some
13	of the prep work that we are behind, but we'll have
14	something for the first of the year.
15	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: This is
16	Rick Henderson.
17	Thank you, Jan, Jason.
18	MS. GOULD: Jan Gould.
19	It's an important subject, so.
20	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Yes, I agree.
21	And but it's also a complicated one at the same time.
22	MS. GOULD: Jan Gould.
23	Very much so.
24	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Thank you, Jan,
25	Jason.
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2	Audience Questions
3	Conversation from Stakeholders
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5	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: This brings us
6	into the end part of our meeting where we bring open
7	it up to audience questions and conversations from
8	stakeholders.
9	So everyone in the in the audience,
10	ESAC members or non-ESAC members, any questions that
11	have come up or that you have for us either toward the
12	Department or toward the ESAC, this is an opportunity
13	for you to bring it up.
14	Duane?
15	MR. LEOPARD: Well, since nobody has
16	any questions, I'll make an announcement.
17	City of Spokane has an opening for
18	normally two inspectors, so we're down to 50 percent.
19	The latest announcement that went out, we are allowing
20	QEI certified individuals to apply. We've opened it up
21	a little bit. You know, the East side is a great place
22	to live, having lived here and grown up here and
23	everything else. The pay's pretty good. I live and
24	work in a great environment.



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So if anybody is interested, go to the

1	City of Spokane website and you know, put in the
2	application.
3	And Gerald, I see you smiling.
4	So yeah, it's been tough. Questions
5	were asked about that earlier. I'm not overly busy with
6	construction or modernization, so I'm just trying to get
7	caught up on annual inspections.
8	We had gentlemen John Kennedy was
9	here for us for about six or eight months. Somebody lit
10	a fuse under him, and he was like a rocket going through
11	his side of town, so we were fortunate in getting caught
12	up on that side. So I'm just still trying to get caught
13	up on mine, plus attend meetings and everything.
14	So that's the news I've got. If
15	anybody wants to join, come on over. Send us your help.
16	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: This is
17	Rick Henderson.
18	Thank you, Duane.
19	Still open to for any audience
20	conversation, comments, questions from stakeholders.
21	Any conversation going on anywhere?
22	Sergey?
23	MR. DOLGIKH: Yeah. Just a quick
24	comment. Considering that there was an interest about
25	the approved product list and all that kind of stuff, I'm



1 working on it as the time permits between -- between 2 installation permits, approvals, and all that kind of stuff. And so I'm hoping to get some kind of Excel 3 spreadsheet put together because as you guys can imagine, 4 this list is constantly morphing, moving, you know, with 5 6 new equipment being brought in, and all that kind of stuff, so. 7 8 I didn't announce myself. Sorry. 9 Sergey Dolgikh, Elevator Program technical specialist. 10 But anyway, that's kind of -- that's kind of where it's at. So that's all I can say as far 11 as Scott bringing up that approval list and all that 12 13 good stuff. 14 CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: This is 15 Rick Henderson. 16 Scott? 17 MR. CLEARY: Scott Cleary, MCI. 18 Thanks for bringing it up. I know 19 Candace and I have talked, and I think it's a good idea that the State sends out a letter to all registered and 20 21 licensed elevator companies for us to send the list to 22 you of what we know have been approved by you guys. Ιt 23 might speed up the process a little bit, and if there's 24 any ambiguities, that can be worked out internally with I think -- I think this is an easy win. 25 you guys.



1 really think it's important that we do that expeditiously. 2 CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: This is 3 Rick Henderson. 4 Thank you, Scott. 5 Sergey, is that your hand up left over 6 from --7 8 MR. DOLGIKH: Yeah. I just wanted to 9 reply to what Scott said. 10 I think it's important definitely to 11 keep this kind of information out for -- for our 12 installers and companies to see, to have on demand kind 13 of a thing. But just to -- I'm looking at the list 14 right now. I mean I literally am looking at something 15 that was built over the period of three, four years, and 16 it's all over the place, and it needs to be systemized 17 as far as per instance -- per company, per manufacturer, when it was done, and such like that. 18 19 So that's what I'm kind of thinking 20 about, maybe putting together some quick Excel 21 spreadsheet and have this ability to filter out by 22 whatever, you know, filter -- somebody can do it, just 23 try to isolate the products and such like that. But I don't know if this list will be 24

posted on the website. It's up to management to decide,



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up to the program to decide how we want to introduce you guys. But just to make sure this list is going to be ever evolving and being updated all the time because the industry is really fluid and -- on how the new equipment is being brought in. And just be patient with us.

We're trying to keep up the best we can.

Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: This is

CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: This is Rick Henderson. Thank you, Sergey.

Scott?

MR. CLEARY: Scott, MCI.

I think this is one of the things I'm going to sponsor a proposal to get into the WAC, to have a vetting process so it's completely listed. I know you've got a checklist, but there's no timelines. I think we really need to do it once, twice a year, or however we all see fit. But we've got to have a standardized process that's sent out to the new manufacturers.

And, you guys, internally you're not engineers. So I think it's really important for the manufacturers to send all the calcs to you guys to make sure. As long as they're stamped, that should be sufficient, but there should be a procedure in place that makes it easier for all the tech specialists to do



1 their normal work but also vet new products. And you're correct. There's a lot --2 a lot of new products coming on the market, and I think 3 a lot of new technologies. So I think it's really important that we have a documented process that we can 5 6 all follow. Thank you. 7 CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: This is 8 Rick Henderson. 9 10 Thank you, Scott. 11 Sergey? 12 I just kind of MR. DOLGIKH: Yeah. 13 wanted to add into this. This is Sergey Dolgikh, 14 Elevator Program technical specialist. 15 I want to make a suggestion with what Scott just brought up to the table and suggest that -- I 16 don't know. 17 18 I'm not part of ESAC so I can't really 19 do any kind of voting, but drop that suggestion on the docket just to say that look, if we want to come up 20 21 with -- with and edit our vetting process, which has 22 been -- I've been in the middle of this for about a 23 year-and-a-half now, and it's been like pulling teeth. It's -- it's incredibly time-consuming and -- between 24 getting people together and for meetings and things like 25



that.

So the suggestion is to open up for vetting perhaps as a part of editing the process, the revising process, open up for vetting twice a year, okay? So that way, we are not stretching our resources thin that are already stretched thin, and that way we can give all the attention that we need to the -- whatever new equipment is on the market and the installers are trying to bring in for conformity with codes, and such like that. So, yeah, twice a year sounds good. Open it for a month, a month-and-a-half.

And Scott said a very interesting thing. We're not engineers so we truly can't really vet the equipment for engineering tests, but we can review the documentation that comes with it, and we can -- we can determine whether it's conformity to -- its conformance to existing code, correctly adopted code. And that -- I think that's where our vetting should pretty much be focused, and part of vetting process should be a vetting inspection to verify in the field as built that it's in fact what it says on the paper.

That's kind of a suggestion that I have, but thank you very much.

CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: This is Rick Henderson.



1 Thank you, Sergey.

All right. With that said, we're -- we still have about five minutes on the clock.

And Gerald?

MR. BROWN: Yeah. I wanted to briefly address a topic that's come up from a lot of our stakeholders about people who are buying stuff on the internet, and perhaps a contractor is installing. Somebody is, you know, the favorite uncle or electrician down the street or whatever, is putting in these conveyances because the people bought it on the internet so it must be okay.

And this is something that has always been a really dangerous alternative than following State rule about conveyances being installed by qualified personnel in our state for public safety aspects. And people, you know, they ask me periodically as the chief, you know, can't you stop people from buying stuff on the internet and putting it in their homes, and the answer is no. I have no way of knowing what people are doing on the internet.

But we would encourage everybody on this call to let them know that just because it looks like a brand name conveyance, it could be a model that they only sell outside of the United States, or



1 something that is really hybrid, that kind of thing. 2 And so we would encourage -- if there is a way to put this out, we would encourage the public 3 to go through licensed contractors in the state --4 there's a way to go online and look at who's licensed 5 6 and who's not -- and have them install conveyances that are code-compliant to be installed, and the applications 7 that they call for not to piecemeal an electric hoist in 8 a wooden box on the side of their house, and that kind 9 10 of thing. 11 But this stuff happens, and people are 12 going to do whatever people are going to do. But I just 13 wanted you to know that our program and this committee 14 are dedicated to public safety, and we would always, 15 always, always recommend to friends, neighbors, people 16 that ask us questions -- and I'm sure people on this call have been asked to install some of this equipment. 17 18 And -- and frankly, they don't, and we're proud of the 19 fact that they're standing up for safety. 20 Thank you. 21 CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Rick Henderson. 22 Thank you, Gerald. 23 Scott? 24 MR. CLEARY: Scott, MCI. I also think it's really important 25 Page 125



that during TAC, we address and get something into rule about putting residential elevators into commercial applications like Airbnbs and little inns that serve, you know, two or three floors. You know, I think we can facilitate something as long as they change how they do their permits, how they do their operating permits, and also getting annuals in five years. But I think that really needs to be highlighted because there's really a lot of them. And I know there's been a couple of cases lately.

And we need to do a better job of reaching out and explaining to owners that just because a contractor said they can put it in and asks for forgiveness other than permission doesn't mean that the State's going after them or being vindictive. Rules are rules, and I think we need to clearly define what a single-family dwelling is and, you know, how you can't cross that line into an Airbnb. If you rent out your house to the world, I feel that you should lose that residential exemption. And, you know, these are my stakeholders so I want to make sure everything's done and done right.

But I think we really need to address that, Gerald, in the TAC coming up.

MR. BROWN: Yes. I agree.



1	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: This is
2	Rick Henderson.
3	Thank you, Scott. I agree as well.
4	All right. Well, this is bringing us
5	to the to the end of our timeframe for ESAC
6	committee.
7	Again, a final statement. I would
8	like to reach out to all of our stakeholders here
9	listening that if you have any questions or concerns to,
10	as mentioned earlier, please reach out to your
11	stakeholder on the subcommittee and get those concerns
12	raised so that they can bring them up to us in front of
13	the ESAC.
14	Duane, you have your hand up?
15	MR. LEOPARD: Well, I'd like to make
16	the motion to adjourn the meeting and also a comment
17	during discussion.
18	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: All right.
19	I have a motion to adjourn.
20	Do I have a second?
21	MR. WOOD: I second that motion.
22	Garry Wood with MCI.
23	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: All right. I
24	have a second. Do I have discussion?
25	MR. LEOPARD: I'd like to thank the
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1	court reporter for her fine job that she's done.
2	But after this meeting is closed, I'd
3	like to leave it open for general comments that don't go
4	on record, such not, if people are so inclined to stay.
5	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: I'll second
6	I'll second that motion.
7	All right. Any further discussion?
8	(No audible response.)
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10	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: All right.
11	With that said, per the rules, I believe with that motion
12	and it's seconded, I believe we can adjourn the meeting.
13	Thank you, everybody, for taking the
14	time.
15	MR. LEOPARD: Thank you, Kelsey.
16	MS. COURT REPORTER: Thank you, guys.
17	CHAIRPERSON HENDERSON: Thank you.
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20	(Proceeding concluded at
21	12:05 p.m.)
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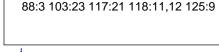
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