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NEW JERSEY COMMISSION ON CAPITAL BUDGETING AND PLANNING

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MEMBERS OF COMMISSION PRESENT:

James M. Rutala, Chair
Senator Paul A. Sarlo
Senator Douglas J. Steinhardt
Aaron Binder
Stephanie Doherty
David Drescher
Samuel Kovach-Orr, Esq.
Andrew McAllister



ALSO PRESENT:

James Langsdorf
Executive Director

Brian Onda
Assistant Executive Director

Christine Trappe
Executive Assistant

Michael Sullivan
Bartosz Zajac
State Budget Specialists

Connor Hart
State Budget Supervisor

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JAMES RUTALA (Chair): I'd like to call this meeting to order.

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, the Commission has provided adequate notice of the meeting, including written notice of the time, date, and location. Notice of the meeting was filed at least 48 hours in advance by email or by fax -- *and by fax to The Trenton Times, the Newark Star-Ledger*, and filed with the Secretary of State.

Roll call.

MR. LANGSDORF: Thank you, Chair.

Senator Sarlo. (no response)

Senator Steinhardt.

SENATOR STEINHARDT: Here.

MR. LANGSDORF: Assemblyman Spearman. (no response)

Assemblywoman Muñoz. (no response)

Mr. Aaron Binder.

MR. BINDER: Here.

MR. LANGSDORF: Mr. David Drescher.

MR. DRESCHER: Here.

MR. LANGSDORF: Ms. Stephanie Doherty.

MS. DOHERTY: Here.

MR. LANGSDORF: Mr. Samuel Kovach-Orr.

MR. KOVACH-ORR: Here.

MR. LANGSDORF: Ms. Liz Mahn. (no response)

Mr. Andrew McAllister.

MR. McALLISTER: Here.

MR. LANGSDORF: Mr. James Rutala.

MR. RUTALA: Here.

MR. LANGSDORF: Chairman, we have a quorum.

MR. RUTALA: OK.

Next, we have the election of Chair and Vice Chair, and approval of the Executive Director.

MR. LANGSDORF: Thank you, Chair.

Starting with the Chair position, this Commission position must be filled by a public member. Last year, Mr. James Rutala was approved as the Chair, and I understand Mr. Rutala is still interested in the position.

Can someone put forth any other nominations for the Chair at this time? And/or, do we have a second nomination, or third?

(no response)

MR. LANGSDORF: Since there are no other nominations, and since there-- The first order of business would be to elect a Chair; therefore, I ask that Mr. James Rutala be approved as the Chair.

May I have someone put forth a motion?

MR. BINDER: Motion.

MR. LANGSDORF: Do we have a second?

MR. DRESCHER: Second.

MR. LANGSDORF: Thank you.

Now, we'll vote on the election of the Chair.

Senator Sarlo. (no response)

Senator Steinhardt.

SENATOR STEINHARDT: Yes.

MR. LANGSDORF: Assemblyman Spearman. (no response)

Assemblywoman Muñoz. (no response)

Mr. Aaron Binder.

MR. BINDER: Yes.

MR. LANGSDORF: Mr. David Drescher.

MR. DRESCHER: Yes.

MR. LANGSDORF: Ms. Stephanie Doherty.

MS. DOHERTY: Yes.

MR. LANGSDORF: Mr. Samuel Kovach-Orr.

MR. KOVACH-ORR: Yes.

MR. LANGSDORF: Ms. Liz Mahn. (no response)

Mr. Andrew McAllister.

MR. McALLISTER: Yes.

MR. LANGSDORF: Thank you very much.

Mr. James Rutala has been named as Chair.

Congratulations, Jim.

The motion moves.

MR. RUTALA: Thank you.

Next, the election of Vice Chair.

MR. LANGSDORF: Thank you, Chair.

Now, moving onto the Vice Chair position. Again, this Commission position must be filled by a public member.

Last year, Liz Mahn continued to serve in the role as Vice Chairperson, but she is not present today. The only other public member who is present today is Andrew McAllister, who was previously asked if he'd be interested in the Vice Chair position, but respectfully declined.

Therefore, in the absence of another public member present or interested in the Vice Chair position, and in order to formally elect a Vice

Chair, as per the bylaws of the Commission, Liz Mahn will continue to serve in the role as Vice Chairperson when she is present.

Now, Chairman, while I am currently the Executive Director, it is necessary to receive approval for the Executive Director position this year.

On your behalf, can we have someone put forward a motion?

MR. RUTALA: I'll make that motion.

MR. LANGSDORF: Do we have a second?

MS. DOHERTY: Second.

MR. LANGSDORF: Thank you.

OK, we'll now vote on the election of myself, James Langsdorf, as the Executive Director this year.

Senator Sarlo. (no response)

Senator Steinhardt.

SENATOR SARLO: Senator Sarlo; yes.

MR. LANGSDORF: Assemblyman Spearman. (no response)

Assemblywoman Muñoz. (no response)

Mr. Aaron Binder.

MR. BINDER: Yes.

MR. LANGSDORF: Mr. David Drescher.

MR. DRESCHER: Yes.

MR. LANGSDORF: Ms. Stephanie Doherty.

MS. DOHERTY: Yes.

MR. LANGSDORF: Mr. Samuel Kovach-Orr.

MR. KOVACH-ORR: Yes.

MR. LANGSDORF: Ms. Liz Mahn. (no response)

Mr. Andrew McAllister.

MR. McALLISTER: Yes.

MR. LANGSDORF: Mr. James Rutala.

MR. RUTALA: Yes.

MR. LANGSDORF: Therefore, I am -- have been named as Executive Director again this year.

Thank you.

Chairman, the motion moves.

MR. RUTALA: Thank you, and congratulations.

MR. LANGSDORF: Thank you; you too.

MR. RUTALA: Approval-- Next, we'll do approval of the minutes for April 25, 2025.

Are there any comments or corrections on those minutes? (no response)

If not, we'll take a motion to approve.

MR. BINDER: Motion.

MR. RUTALA: Thank you.

And, then, second.

SENATOR SARLO: Second.

MR. LANGSDORF: Thank you.

Senator Sarlo.

SENATOR SARLO: Yes.

MR. LANGSDORF: Senator Steinhardt.

SENATOR STEINHARDT: Yes.

MR. LANGSDORF: Assemblyman Spearman. (no response)

Assemblywoman Muñoz. (no response)

Mr. Aaron Binder.

MR. BINDER: Yes.

MR. LANGSDORF: Mr. David Drescher.

MR. DRESCHER: Yes.

MR. LANGSDORF: Ms. Stephanie Doherty.

MS. DOHERTY: Yes.

MR. LANGSDORF: Mr. Samuel Kovach-Orr.

MR. KOVACH-ORR: Yes.

MR. LANGSDORF: Ms. Liz Mahn. (no response)

Mr. Andrew McAllister.

MR. McALLISTER: Yes.

MR. LANGSDORF: Mr. James Rutala.

MR. RUTALA: Yes.

MR. LANGSDORF: Chairman, the motion moves.

MR. RUTALA: Thank you.

Next on the agenda is the Fiscal 2027 Capital Requests.

We'll start with the request from the State Capitol Joint Management Commission, who have 12 requests in FY27; total request of \$19,550,000.

Is there anyone here from the Commission?

J O S E P H H I L L M A N, Sr.: Yes; Joe Hillman.

MR. RUTALA: Morning, Joe.

If you would like to present your priorities, that would be great.

MR. HILLMAN: Yes, our main priority is-- Our first one is this State House Annex, which has been on our list for a while.

As we documented, some of the balustrades are over 100 years old, and the roof is way past its lifetime expectancy. Unfortunately, we don't

have enough funding from the Joint Management Commission to do a project this big. And, every year, we're estimating around \$35,000 in roof repairs. Over the last two years, as some of the senators might know, we've had to misplace some of you as we had to repair offices; move committee rooms; move other things around on the fourth floor of the State House Annex.

Our concern is the committee rooms -- their age, their historical value. And, the roof continues to be an extreme problem, and is only getting worse, as the roofers constantly are just patching. And, that's really our main one to eliminate health issues and inconveniencing of the tenants. It appears almost every other rainstorm, we're having different leaks.

Thank you.

MR. RUTALA: Thank you.

Are there any questions or comments regarding the request by the State Capitol and Joint Management Commission? (no response)

OK.

Next, we have requests from the Department of Agriculture. They have three requests in FY27, totaling \$69,065,000.

Who is representing the Department of Agriculture?

E D W A R D D. W E N G R Y N: Good morning, it's Ed Wengryn; Secretary of Agriculture.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Are you having trouble--

MR. WENGRYN: I'm having trouble with my camera.

But, our requests are pretty elaborate. One of them is the continuation need for an aerobic digester for our animal health labs. This reduces disease, pests, and operating, disposes of-- And, that's a \$4 million request, (indiscernible) digester.

It's also an opportunity for the State to generate money by being able to provide that service to other veterinarians for disposal of large livestock, and, in the case of a disease outbreak, mass populations of things like poultry from a (indiscernible) influenza outbreak. It would be the most environmentally friendly way to dispose of them.

We also have a request for \$65 million for the lab expansion of the animal and plant health lab. The Department of Health has a Federal grant going to expand their portion. This would be for Ag. to be able to expand and develop the new lab space, and share with Health, the facility. As we develop our relationship with Rowan University, and the pathology department doing the work up here, this gives us more classroom space to teach and encourage students, as well as better serve our livestock and the animal industries.

And (indiscernible) our combustion analyzer for protein (indiscernible). This is becoming our lead analysis for our fertilizer and plant industry, ensuring what people say is going on the ground is going on the ground.

So, those are our big projects; that's the money we're looking for. I'll take any questions.

MR. RUTALA: Are there any questions? (no response)

OK, thank you.

Next, we have the Department of Children and Family Services. They have 10 requests for FY27, totaling \$8,012,000.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (indiscernible)

MR. RUTALA: Who is representing the Department of Children and Family Services?

J O S E P H L E N A H A N: Joe Lenahan; good morning.

Director Altimari is unable to attend.

I can only speak to the Office of Education Schools. Our top priority are roof replacement at the three locations. Then, we would go to school security camera upgrade, would be our second priority. Our third priority would be access control; security upgrade. And, then, we would be looking to replace HVAC units (indiscernible), the pump systems.

As far as-- I can't really speak on the Division of Child Protection and Permanency; I don't work in that division.

MR. RUTALA: Are there any questions?

SENATOR STEINHARDT: Yes, Chairman.

Did we jump over Children and Families, then, and was that a commentary on Education?

MR. LENAHAN: We're the DCF Office of Education.

SENATOR STEINHARDT: That's what I thought.

MR. LENAHAN: We're not-- Yes.

SENATOR STEINHARDT: Gotcha.

MR. LENAHAN: We're standalone--

SENATOR STEINHARDT: That's right--

MR. LENAHAN: We're separate from the New Jersey Department of Education.

SENATOR STEINHARDT: Thank you; thank you.

MR. LENAHAN: Sure.

MR. RUTALA: Any other questions? (no response)

Hearing none, we'll move onto the Department of Education. They have a total of three requests, \$18,095,000.

Who's representing the Department of Education?

R O B E R T C U E T O: Good morning; thank you for the opportunity to speak.

My name is Robert Cueto, and I'm representing the Department of Education today.

This year's capital funding priorities focus on improving the efficiency and safety of our educational facilities. Many of our schools, including specialized campuses, like the Katzenbach School for the Deaf, have access to an outdated space that no longer meets program needs. Our goal is to right-side these facilities, and ensure resources are dedicated towards spaces that actively support student learning.

Our first priority -- perhaps our top priority -- is demolition of big and obsolete structures. Maintaining unused buildings create unnecessary cost for utilities, maintenance, and security. Removing these structures will reduce operational expenses, eliminate safety hazards, and free up land for future program needs. At the Katzenbach School for the Deaf, for example, we have significant unused square footage that is costly to maintain and does not serve students.

Our second priority (technical issue) and safety upgrades, like at the facilities. This includes HVAC improvements, roofing repairs, and environmental remediation where needed. These projects ensure compliance of safety standards and create a healthy learning environment.

Our third priority is strategic space optimization. Finally, we're focused on optimizing existing space to align with current enrollment and program requirements. This means consolidating functions into modernized

areas, and eliminating inefficiencies, so every dollar invested supports active educational use.

These priorities -- demolition and unused buildings; health and safety updates; and space optimization -- are essential for creating safe, efficient, and substantial learning environments.

We appreciate your support in making these improvements a reality for New Jersey students.

Thank you.

MR. RUTALA: Thank you.

Any questions for the Department of Education?

SENATOR STEINHARDT: Yes.

I have a question about a major capital need that I think is sort of bypassing the entire Commission. There's nothing that I saw in the materials that we received acknowledging that there are no funds available for new capital projects for school construction, despite a constitutional requirement that many of these funds-- The funds need to be provided to these capital needs. And, it is a major capital construction obligation for the state.

I realize I've only been in the Senate three years, but it's long enough to know that the Legislature is inevitably going to be asked to set aside a billion dollars or more to pay for 100% of the school construction costs, and, what with the former Abbott Districts. So, I guess I have three questions.

First, how much the Department of Education thinks we need to authorize for new school capital construction projects in the coming year or two. Is it a billion dollars? Two billion dollars? Three billion dollars?

Two, where is the money coming from? Is it new debt, or some other source?

And, three, does this department still think we need to pay 100% of the school construction capital costs in places like Hoboken and Neptune, that used to be truly poorer communities when the Abbott decision was handed down 50 years ago, but now Hoboken is one of the richest communities, and Neptune is solidly part affluent, too. So, it just seems like the tail sort of wagging the dog, and the Commission is going to discuss relatively smaller capital requests, and then ignore a billion-dollar capital discussion that I think is extremely important -- not only to the education infrastructure in this state, but also to the nine million residents who live here.

MR. CUETO: Senator, I don't have an answer at this time. May I circle back with you?

SENATOR STEINHARDT: Yes, through the Chair -- through the Chair, I would really appreciate it.

Thank you.

MR. RUTALA: That would be great if you could put your answers in writing, to those three questions, and submit them to Mr. Langsdorf; that would be great. You can submit them to me and to members of this Commission.

MR. CUETO: Of course.

MR. RUTALA: Thank you.

Thank you, Senator.

SENATOR STEINHARDT: Thank you, Chairman.

MR. RUTALA: OK, next we have Department of Law and Public Safety, and they have 12 requests in FY27, for a total of \$53,974,000.

Do we have a representative from the--

SUEANN BILELLO: Good morning.

MR. RUTALA: --Department of Law?

Thank you.

MS. BILELLO: Good morning, and thank you for your time today.

My name is Sueann Bilello, and I am representing the Department of Law and Public Safety. We are the law enforcement arm of the Office of the Attorney General, dedicated to making New Jersey safe for all its residents and visitors.

We have a few projects that we are requesting funding for -- mainly for the Office of Weights and Measures, and the State Police. I will begin with the Office of Weights and Measures.

This Office is solely responsible for testing commercial vehicles and other devices, like meters, to ensure compliance with State and Federal regulations, and requires a critical upgrade to its aging infrastructure. The current drainage and storage systems for hazardous materials -- which includes proving tanks; oil and water separators; and a waste oil tank -- are original to the 36-year-old facility. These systems and components have exceeded their life expectancy by more than 15 years.

The Office of Weights and Measures also operates a metrology laboratory, and a small mass balance laboratory. These labs test and calibrate devices ranging from pharmacy balances and truck scales to fuel meters, radar tuning forks, and EV charging stations -- all in compliance with Federal

standards. These labs require tightly controlled temperature and humidity conditions, which the current HVAC system cannot provide. To meet these standards, the project calls for installing standalone, dedicated HVAC systems for each laboratory.

We also have several funding requests that have been submitted from the State Police. Their buildings are located throughout the state, with many of them having mechanical, structural, and communication equipment issues. Many of the HVAC systems and roofs are beyond their use for life. HVAC and roofing issues in State Police buildings have caused environmental control issues, and can impact the health and safety of our troopers; the integrity of evidence; and the ability to maintain proper lab operations.

In (indiscernible), there is a need for expansion and modernization. The current number of personnel is more than twice what the building was originally built for. They are currently using a temporary trailer to house the overflow personnel. Part of their request is to expand and upgrade a critical radio communications tower that is used by more than 35 agencies. The State Police is also requesting capital funding for a critical microwave expansion project, which would upgrade six tower sites with modern microwave link equipment. These upgrades are essential to improving their resilience and redundancy of the State Police radio and phone networks -- especially in Troop A, where communications rely heavily on microwave links.

The project will replace 20-year-old equipment; enhance network security; and create (indiscernible) loops to maintain communication during outages or catastrophic events. This investment will benefit not only the New

Jersey State Police, but also numerous state, county, and local partner agencies that depend on these networks.

Thank you again for your time this morning.

MR. RUTALA: Are there any questions?

SENATOR STEINHARDT: Yes.

Last time, I promise.

So, another couple questions about the State Police training facility capital project that had previously been funded in legislation; requested by the Governor and enacted, I think, in '23 and '24. Because it doesn't show up in any of the materials that we were provided. That's another major capital project that I think we all need to understand, because apparently the funding was eliminated.

My notes reflect \$240 million in total state funds were appropriated for this new State Police training facility -- \$120 million in 2023 and then another \$120 million in 2024, both funded out of a debt defeasance and prevention fund. We learned in budget hearings the facility was "critically needed" to modernize training and move the more than 100-year-old facility closer to State Police facilities in other -- in other states.

Architects and planners, I assume, were brought in to do work, and then we were told by OLS that the entire amount of money appropriated by the Legislature for the facility had been unilaterally canceled by the Governor, and redirected to budget holes in the most recent budget.

I guess a series of questions. First, how much of the \$240 million was spent on professional services? Two, is the project going forward at all, or was that money just wasted, or vanished? If it is going forward, do we have to borrow the money now, since it's been removed from the budget; how

are we going to pay for it? If it's not moving forward, I'm just curious what has changed from when the project was championed. (indiscernible) this much-needed State Police improvement facility.

So-- And, I guess additionally, through the Chair, if someone could please maybe provide a copy of all the consulted vendor reports for the project that taxpayers paid for, I would be grateful for that as well.

Chairman, please.

Thanks.

MR. RUTALA: Thank you.

Is there a response to these questions now, or would you like to submit in writing your response?

MR. ONDA: Senator, we will work with the Department to have them submit a response through the Chair.

SENATOR STEINHARDT: I'm grateful; thank you so very much.

Chairman, thank you.

MR. RUTALA: You're welcome.

And, thank you.

Next, we have Youth Justice Commission; 31 requests in FY27 for \$27,682,000.

THOMAS GUERRIERO: Good morning; Tom Guerriero.

I am the Facilities and Capital Planning Lead Manager.

And, so, the YJC is committed to the well-being of our residents, as reflected in our top six requests.

First, suicide resistance improvements to ensure that residents do not self-harm in any way, at any time. Number 2 would be the kitchen hood

suppression systems in our units that are -- excuse me -- obsolete and not code compliant and need to be replaced. Number 3 is security cameras and video equipment improvements. We are subject to the PREA -- Prison Rape Elimination Act -- Federally, and we need to stay compliant with supervision of all of our units.

Number 4 is the fire alarm systems -- replacing the antiquated fire reporting systems to better safeguard all of our YJC residents and staff. Number 6 (*sic*) is HVAC upgrades. We are committed to energy efficiency in all of our -- excuse me. We are in need of infrastructure upgrades to keep within energy policies. And, Number 6 is body scan equipment, to safeguard our residents and staff from contraband within our sites.

That's the YJC top six.

Thank you.

MR. RUTALA: Are there any questions for Mr. Guerriero? (no response)

Hearing none, we'll move forward.

Department of Military Affairs have nine requests, for \$9,643,000.

BRIGADIER GENERAL YVONNE L. MAYS: Good morning.

Brigadier General Yvonne Mays (indiscernible).

Thank you for -- thank you for the time this morning.

And, as you stated, \$9.6 million for nine different projects. Understanding that three of those projects go to the facilities or improvements that impact our soldiers and airmen's readiness across the New Jersey National Guard. And, then, two of them -- two of those are the

(indiscernible) support, not only the military but also some of our state partners.

I am aware that, most likely, we don't get everything that we ask for. But, I would like to highlight the two that are most important or very critical for the New Jersey National Guard as a whole, with Number 1 being the new armory construction. That project is on the (indiscernible) for FY28, and we are in the process of completing the designs and (indiscernible) those funds to stay on track to ensure that we don't get -- our project doesn't get slipped, or that we don't lose the Federal funds that have already been awarded.

And, then, secondary to that is the range complex, which is housed on the National Guard training center out at Sea Girt. The \$5.4 million for that would allow us to increase our ability to support not only the National Guard, but also some of our state partners: State Police; Corrections; The Youth Commission; as well as our National Guard soldiers and airmen that they prepare for -- they keep their readiness levels up. We'd be able to increase an additional 25 lanes there. And, currently, it is requiring that some of our state partners go to other facilities located on base at a higher cost.

So, having those projects funded -- it's like, if that's all I could get, I would be happy. But, certainly there are other things on this list -- on our list -- that actually impact our ability to train, assemble, and equip the National Guard not only to respond for State emergencies, but also Federal emergencies.

And, if there are any questions for me on any these requests.

MR. RUTALA: Thank you.

Are there any questions? (no response)

OK, we'll move on to the Department of Veteran Affairs. They have nine requests, for \$11,360-- I'm sorry, they have nine requests for -- yes, \$11,361,000.

VINCENT SOLOMENO: Good morning, Mr. Chair, and good morning members of the Commission.

My name is Vincent Solomeno; I am the Commissioner Designee of the soon-to-be established Department of Veterans Affairs, subject to statute that the Governor signed into law on September 11. Beginning January 9 of '26, the new agency will stand up.

I would like to highlight the Number 1 priority on that list, which is the purchase of real property to expand the Brigadier General William C. Doyle Veterans Memorial Cemetery. This is our State's veteran cemetery, located in Arneytown. It is the biggest -- excuse me, *busiest* -- State-run veterans cemetery in the United States. We do more interment than any other state or territory, on average, on a daily basis.

We are in the process of completing an expansion that has been in the works for the last several years. This expansion will complete in the springtime, enabling us to inter, honorably, roughly 10,000 additional veterans, veteran spouses, and eligible dependents, giving us the capacity to inter -- as we project -- about 10-13 years from today.

As we seek to look to the future, however, it is important that we acquire additional real estate within the vicinity of the Doyle Cemetery. And, so, our request, Number 1, is for \$6.6 million to enable us to begin what will be a long and deliberate process of searching for and acquiring additional real

estate to ensure that the cemetery is able to honorably inter our veterans, veteran spouses, and eligible dependents well into the future.

(indiscernible) questions, that concludes my remarks.

Thank you.

MR. RUTALA: Thank you.

Any questions? (no response)

Next, we have the Office of Information Technology. They have one request in FY27, for \$12 million.

YOLANDA WINDOM: Good morning.

Thank you for this opportunity, Commission.

The Hamilton facility is the State's 24/7 disaster recovery data center that's designed to support critical IT systems in the event a primary enterprise data center is impacted. This includes the Garden State Network, which is the primary network for the executive branch.

As an example of this need, in 2021, a failure of the facility's uninterruptable power supply led to a multi-day outage, disrupting services across numerous State agencies, and costing the State over \$1 million in emergency response, repair, and equipment rental and replacement. In addition, over the past five years, we've seen a substantial increase in repairs to the data center's critical electrical and mechanical systems, including non-heating ventilation and air conditioning systems to maintain operations.

This project would reduce future outages and substantially decrease maintenance costs for several years to come.

Thank you.

MR. RUTALA: Thank you.

Is there any questions? (no response)

Hearing none, we'll move forward.

Public Broadcasting Authority has one request for FY27 for \$200,000.

RICK WILLIAMS: Good morning.

My name is Rick Williams; thank you for the opportunity to speak to you today.

The NJ PBA acts as the custodian and manager of the physical, electronic, and Federal communications license assets that comprise our statewide educational TV network. The NJ PBA is responsible for operating and maintaining the broadcast infrastructure -- that includes towers; transmission equipment; statewide interconnections; and the signal monitoring of all that equipment.

In order to accomplish this work with minimal staffing, the NJ PBA utilizes a multi-viewing system for its faster control. The current system has been in continuous operation since 2008, and is now obsolete. Components are no longer manufactured, and the Authority is one failure away from a total loss of monitoring capability.

Investing in a new multi-viewing system for the NJ PBA master control is essential for enhancing operational efficiency, and ensuring compliance with FCC regulations. This advanced technology, which enables operators to monitor multiple incoming and outgoing feeds simultaneously, is integral for managing emergency alerts critical for public safety.

Also critical in this system is the fact that its failure is imminent. Until the NJ PBA replaces this technology, it is at risk for spontaneous infrastructure failure, which will inhibit the ability to monitor emergency

alerts, as directed by the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management, and the State's -- under the State's Emergency Communications Plan.

So, again, thank you for the opportunity to present this morning.

And, I am available to answer any questions.

MR. RUTALA: Thank you.

Are there any questions? (no response)

Hearing none, is there anything else for the good of the order?

Just to confirm, our next meeting is December 5, at 10:00 a.m.

MR. ONDA: Yes, that is correct, Chair.

MR. RUTALA: I'll take a motion to adjourn.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Motion.

MR. RUTALA: Thank you.

OK, I hope everyone has a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday.

(MEETING CONCLUDED)