



Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation
 2535 St. Johns Avenue
 Billings, MT 59102
Via Email to mtogpub@mt.gov

December 13, 2017

Re: Hydraulic Fracturing Rulemaking

To the Members of the Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation:

Please accept the following comments concerning the Board's upcoming hydraulic fracturing rulemaking, which are submitted on behalf of the Montana Environmental Information Center, Natural Resources Defense Council, Bonnie and Jack Martinell, Dr. David Lehnerr, David Katz, Anne Moses, Dr. Mary Anne Mercer, and Dr. Willis Weight.

We appreciated the opportunity to comment during the October 24, 2017, listening session the Board convened to solicit public input on the scope of the upcoming hydraulic fracturing rulemaking and we look forward to participating in the formal rulemaking process. To facilitate public participation, we request that the Board establish and announce a timeline for the rulemaking process, including deadlines for submission of written public comments. While we understand and appreciate that the Board accepts public comment at each of its business meetings, it would be helpful for the public and, we believe, more efficient for the Board if there are clear deadlines for submission of written comments concerning the rulemaking. We also urge the Board to provide a defined opportunity for public comment before it begins drafting proposed rule language, in addition to an opportunity to comment on the proposed rules.

Sincerely,

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 Information Center, Natural Resources
 Defense Council, Bonnie and Jack
 Martinell, Dr. David Lehnerr, David Katz,
 Anne Moses, Dr. Mary Anne Mercer,
 and Dr. Willis Weight*

Subcommittee and Rulemaking Steps

Review of public comment / scoping meetings

- Literature submitted
- Individual comments

Review of current regulations

- Changes required by SB 299
- Consideration of any additional changes to frac rules
- Form changes proposed by staff

Draft rules

- Scope of rulemaking
- Rule development
- Presentation to board

Board Action

- Discussion and acceptance or rejection of proposed rules (↕)
- Any other action as directed by board

Formal rulemaking process (sc

- Notice of rulemaking, publication of draft rules
- Public hearing
- Formal responses to comments / necessary rule changes
- Notice of adoption

**MONTANA BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
FINANCIAL STATEMENT
As of 12/4/17
Fiscal Year 2018: Percent of Year Elapsed - 43%**

		Budget	Expends	Remaining	%
Regulatory	Personal Services	1,202,900	392,567	810,333	32.6
UIC	Personal Services	264,051	56,288	207,763	21.3
	Total Expended	1,466,951	448,854	1,018,097	30.6
Regulatory	Equipment & Assets	46,371	-	46,371	0.0
UIC	Equipment & Assets	10,179	-	10,179	0.0
	Total Expended	56,550	-	56,550	0.0
Regulatory	Operating Expenses:				
	Contracted Services	169,245	39,907	129,337	23.6
	Supplies & Materials	46,745	12,761	33,985	27.3
	Communication	63,336	16,537	46,799	26.1
	Travel	36,206	9,561	26,645	26.4
	Rent	25,877	7,688	18,189	29.7
	Utilities	16,394	6,192	10,202	37.8
	Repair/Maintenance	24,633	9,149	15,484	37.1
	Other Expenses	26,215	7,520	18,695	28.7
	Total Operating Expenses	408,651	109,315	299,336	26.8
UIC	Operating Expenses:				
	Contracted Services	37,151	4,447	32,704	12.0
	Supplies & Materials	10,262	3,254	7,008	31.7
	Communication	13,903	3,051	10,851	21.9
	Travel	7,948	1,211	6,737	15.2
	Rent	5,680	619	5,061	10.9
	Utilities	3,599	806	2,793	22.4
	Repair/Maintenance	5,407	1,662	3,745	30.7
	Other Expenses	5,755	1,586	4,169	27.6
	Total Operating Expenses	89,704	16,636	73,068	18.5
	Total Expended	498,355	125,951	372,404	25.3

	Budget	Expends	Remaining	%
Carryforward FY16				
Personal Services	21,416	-	21,416	0.0
Operating Expenses	42,833	-	42,833	0.0
Equipment & Assests	42,833	-	42,833	0.0
Total	107,082	-	107,082	0.0

Funding Breakout	Regulatory Budget	Regulatory Expends	UIC Budget	UIC Expends	2018 Total Budget	2018 Total Expends	%
State Special	1,657,922	501,882	363,934	72,924	2,021,856	574,805	28.4
Federal			105,676	54,852	105,676	54,852	51.9
Total	1,657,922	501,882	469,610	127,776	2,127,532	629,657	29.6

REVENUE INTO STATE SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNT

	FY 18	FY 17
Oil & Gas Production Tax	\$ -	\$ 2,399,050
Oil Production Tax	-	2,210,579
Gas Production Tax	-	188,471
Drilling Permit Fees	6,900	12,575
UIC Permit Fees	2,000	242,800
Interest on Investments	1,890	8,826
Copies of Documents	266	541
Public Information Request	-	221
Miscellaneous Reimbursements	23,045	6,801
TOTAL	\$ 34,102	\$ 2,670,814

REVENUE INTO DAMAGE MITIGATION ACCOUNT

	FY 18	FY 17
RIT Investment Earnings:	\$ 45,136	\$ -
July	-	-
August	12,531	-
September	9,947	-
October	10,149	-
November	12,509	-
December	-	-
January	-	-
February	-	-
March	-	-
April	-	-
May	-	-
June	-	-
Bond Forfeitures:	110,381	15,000
Interest on Investments	2,862	7,562
TOTAL	\$ 158,379	\$ 22,562

INVESTMENT ACCOUNT BALANCES

Regulatory Account	\$ 718,186
Damage Mitigation Account	\$ 751,071

REVENUE INTO GENERAL FUND FROM FINES

		FY 18
ROLAND OIL AND GAS	7/7/2017	\$ 110
EAGLE CREEK COLONY INC	7/14/2017	140
MONTANA LAND AND MINERAL COMPANY	9/8/2017	60
HAWLEY OIL LLP	9/22/2017	250
NINE POINT ENERGY LLC	9/22/2017	110
PETRO-HUNT LLC	9/22/2017	250
SCOUT ENERGY MANAGEMENT LLC	9/22/2017	2,730
PINNACLE ENERGY GROUP LLC	9/29/2017	90
GALUSKA GEORGE AND BARBARA REVOCABLE TRUST	10/13/2017	130
HIGHLANDS NATURAL RESOURCES CORP / HIGHLANDS MONTANA CORP.	10/20/2017	60
SHADWELL RESOURCES GROUP LLC	10/20/2017	70
CARRELL OIL COMPANY	10/26/2017	370
COALRIDGE DISPOSAL AND PETROLEUM	10/27/2017	80
DALCO INC CROW NUMBER 1 / LOREN P SMITH AND CHAS P FOSTER	10/27/2017	70
JUSTICE SWD LLC	10/27/2017	70
MONTANA PALLET ART AND DESIGN / BENSUN ENERGY LLC	10/31/2017	1,260
SOAP CREEK ASSOCIATES LLC	11/9/2017	110
SOLOMON EXPLORATION / SOLOMON, TED/GAIL	11/9/2017	70
DRAWINGS LLC	11/17/2017	70
THREE FORKS RESOURCES LLC	11/17/2017	70
HOFLAND, JAMES D	11/22/2017	140
TOTAL		\$ 6,310

DAMAGE MITIGATION CONTRACTS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Authorized Amt</u>	<u>Expended</u>	<u>Balance</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Expiration Date</u>
Flack #1 Plugging	\$ 50,356	\$ 49,098	\$ 1,258	Completed	12/31/2017
Danielson 1 Well Plug and Reclaim	23,805	21,306	2,499	Completed	6/30/2018
Goeddertz 1	20,480	-	20,480	Under Contract	6/30/2018
Beery 2 and Beery 22-24 Wells Plug and Reclaim	176,500	-	176,500	Under Contract	6/30/2018
Krone-Augusta 31-32-1 Well Plug and Reclaim	600,000	-	600,000	Under Contract	9/30/2018
TOTAL	\$ 74,161	\$ 70,404	\$ 3,757		

CONTRACTS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Authorized Amt</u>	<u>Expended</u>	<u>Balance</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Expiration Date</u>
MT Tech - Elm Coulee EOR Study (MOU 127220)	\$ 863,905	\$ 677,050	\$ 186,855	Under Contract	12/31/2017
Agency Legal Services 2018	70,000	7,958	62,042	Under Contract	6/30/2018
COR Enterprises - Billings Janitorial	30,876	20,464	10,412	Under Contract	6/30/2018
Production and Injection Form Data Entry	1,134	1,134	-	Completed	10/31/2017
Production and Injection Form Data Entry	3,402	2,740	662	Under Contract	1/31/2018
TOTAL	\$ 964,781	\$ 705,473	\$ 259,308		

**Agency Legal Services
Expenditures in FY18**

<u>Case</u>	<u>Amt Spent</u>
BOGC Duties	\$ 7,176
Malsam	278
MEIC	504
Total	\$ 7,958

Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation
Summary of Bond Activity

EXHIBIT 4

10/24/2017 Through 12/12/2017

Approved

Big Sky Energy, LLC Cody WY	827 M1	Approved	11/30/2017
		Amount:	\$50,000.00
		Purpose:	Multiple Well Bond
Certificate of Deposit	\$50,000.00	FIRST INTERSTATE BANK	ACT
D&A Water Disposal LLC Baker MT	825 T1	Approved	11/6/2017
		Amount:	\$15,000.00
		Purpose:	UIC Single Well Bond
Surety Bond	\$15,000.00	Lexon Insurance Company	ACT
D&A Water Disposal LLC Baker MT	825 G1	Approved	11/6/2017
		Amount:	\$10,000.00
		Purpose:	Single Well Bond
Surety Bond	\$10,000.00	Lexon Insurance Company	ACT
Hydra MT LLC Houston TX	824 T1	Approved	11/6/2017
		Amount:	\$10,000.00
		Purpose:	UIC Single Well Bond
Surety Bond	\$10,000.00	U.S. Specialty Insurance Co.	ACT
MCR, LLC Shelby MT	399 T11	Approved	11/3/2017
		Amount:	\$5,000.00
		Purpose:	UIC Single Well Bond
Certificate of Deposit	\$5,000.00	FIRST STATE BANK OF SHELBY	ACT
MCR, LLC Shelby MT	399 T10	Approved	10/24/2017
		Amount:	\$5,000.00
		Purpose:	UIC Single Well Bond
Certificate of Deposit	\$5,000.00	FIRST BANK OF SHELBY	ACT
Northern Oil Production, Inc. Bozeman MT	5421 T8	Approved	11/6/2017
		Amount:	\$10,000.00
		Purpose:	UIC Single Well Bond
Certificate of Deposit	\$10,000.00	First Security Bank, Bozeman	ACT
Northern Oil Production, Inc. Bozeman MT	5421 T7	Approved	11/6/2017
		Amount:	\$10,000.00
		Purpose:	UIC Single Well Bond
Certificate of Deposit	\$10,000.00	First Security Bank, Bozeman	ACT
Rock Creek Oil, Inc. Dallas TX	822 T1	Approved	11/13/2017
		Amount:	\$5,000.00
		Purpose:	UIC Single Well Bond
Surety Bond	\$5,000.00	FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY	ACT
St. Croix Operating, Inc. Denver CO	826 G1	Approved	11/30/2017
		Amount:	\$10,000.00
		Purpose:	Single Well Bond
Certificate of Deposit	\$10,000.00	FIRST INTERSTATE BANK	ACT

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Canceled

Earthstone Operating, LLC The Woodlands TX	812 U1	Canceled Amount: Purpose:	12/12/2017 \$20,000.00 UIC Limited Bond
Earthstone Operating, LLC The Woodlands TX	812 M1	Canceled Amount: Purpose:	12/12/2017 \$50,000.00 Multiple Well Bond
HRC Operating, LLC Denver CO	561 M1	Canceled Amount: Purpose:	11/8/2017 \$50,000.00 Multiple Well Bond
Sannes, Ronald M. Or Margaret Ann Billings MT	6695 M1	Canceled Amount: Purpose:	11/17/2017 \$25,000.00 Multiple Well Bond

Incident Report

EXHIBIT 5

Company	Responsibility	Date	Incident	Oil Released	Water Released	Source	Contained	Latitude	Longitud	County	T-R-S
XTO Energy Inc.	BOG	11/5/2017	Spill or Release		77 Barrels	Flow Line - Production	No	47.74645	-104.36804	Richland	23N-57E-23 NENW
Bad Water Disposal, LLP	BOG	11/7/2017	Spill or Release		10 Barrels	Pump Failure	No	47.67583	-104.05933	Richland	22N-60E-7 SESE
Continental Resources Inc	BOG	11/28/2017	Spill or Release		10 Barrels	Tank or Tank Battery	No	47.73280	-104.58224	Richland	23N-56E-19 SWSE
Wesco Operating, Inc.	BOG	11/29/2017	Spill or Release	1 Gallons	115 Barrels		Yes	46.64681	-104.44691	Fallon	10N-58E-5 NWSE

Docket Summary

12/14/2017 Hearing

63-2017	Kraken Oil & Gas LLC	Amend Order 16-2011, (Temporary spacing unit, Bakken/Three Forks Formation, 28N-58E-15: all, 22: all, 200' heel/toe, 500' lateral setbacks. Apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of completion.) Amend setbacks and that operations must commence within one year of date of order.			<input type="checkbox"/>
64-2017	Kraken Oil & Gas LLC	Amend Order 17-2011, (Temporary spacing unit, Bakken/Three Forks Formation, 28N-58E-16: all, 21: all, 200' heel/toe, 500' lateral setbacks. Apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of completion.) Amend setbacks and that operations must commence within one year of date of order.			<input type="checkbox"/>
65-2017	Kraken Oil & Gas LLC	Amend Order 50-2016 to authorize the drilling of up to five wells in temporary spacing unit, Bakken/Three Forks Formation, 27N-57E-25: all, 26: all, 200' heel/toe, 500' lateral setbacks. Apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of successful completion. Operations must commence within one year of date of order.			<input type="checkbox"/>
66-2017	Kraken Oil & Gas LLC	Vacate order 380-2011 (TSU, 27N-57E-4: all, 5: all 8: all, and 9: all)	Withdrawn	<i>Application withdrawn, email received 11/28/17.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
67-2017	Kraken Oil & Gas LLC	Vacate orders 41-2017 (TSU, 27N-57E-16: all, 21: all) & 42-2017 (TSU, 27N-57E-17: all, 20: all)	Withdrawn	<i>Application withdrawn, email received 11/28/17.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
68-2017	Kraken Oil & Gas LLC	Temporary spacing unit, Bakken/Three Forks Formation, 27N-57E-4: all, 5: all, 200' heel/toe, 500' lateral setbacks. Apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of successful completion. Operations must commence within one year of date of order.	Withdrawn	<i>Application withdrawn, email received 11/28/17.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
69-2017	Kraken Oil & Gas LLC	Temporary spacing unit, Bakken/Three Forks Formation, 27N-57E-8: all, 9: all, 200' heel/toe, 500' lateral setbacks. Apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of successful completion. Operations must commence within one year of date of order.	Withdrawn	<i>Application withdrawn, email received 11/28/17.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
70-2017	Kraken Oil & Gas LLC	Temporary spacing unit, Bakken/Three Forks Formation, 27N-57E-16: all, 17: all, 200' heel/toe, 500' lateral setbacks. Apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of successful completion. Operations must commence within one year of date of order.	Withdrawn	<i>Application withdrawn, email received 11/28/17.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
71-2017	Kraken Oil & Gas LLC	Temporary spacing unit, Bakken/Three Forks Formation, 27N-57E-20: all, 21: all, 200' heel/toe, 500' lateral setbacks. Apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of successful completion. Operations must commence within one year of date of order.	Withdrawn	<i>Application withdrawn, email received 11/28/17.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
72-2017	Kraken Oil & Gas LLC	Overlapping temporary spacing unit, Bakken/Three Forks Formation, 27N-57E-8: all, 9: all, 16: all, and 17: all, 200' heel/toe setback.	Withdrawn	<i>Application withdrawn, email received 11/28/17.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
73-2017	Balko, Inc.	Convert the Briggs #1, 27N-4W-33: NW SW (API # 099-21019) to Class II Injection well (SWD), Madison Formation. Aquifer exemption requested.	Continued	<i>Staff continued on 11/21/17 for failure to run newspaper notice.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>

74-2017	Balko, Inc.	Convert the Caskey 44-5, 25N-3W-5: SE SE (API # 099-21253) to Class II Injection well (SWD), Madison Formation. Aquifer exemption requested.	Continued	Staff continued on 11/21/17 for failure to run newspaper notice.	<input type="checkbox"/>
75-2017	Stealth Energy USA, Inc.	Show Cause: why it should not provide a plan and timeline for the plugging and abandonment of its wells, and why additional penalties should not be assessed for failure to pay the penalty assessed for delinquent reporting and to appear at the October 25, 2017, public hearing.			<input type="checkbox"/>
76-2017	Bensun Energy, LLC	Show Cause: to provide to the Board a progress update of its efforts to come into full compliance with field violations and show-cause, if any it has, why additional penalties should not be assessed for failure to file delinquent production reports, failure to pay the penalty assessed for delinquent reporting, and for failure to appear at the October 26, 2017, public hearing.		10/13/17 Bensun requested a replacement CD for the \$10,000 UIC bond and \$50,000 of the \$70,000 multiple well bond. Once compliance is achieved, the replacement bonds can be approved.	<input type="checkbox"/>
77-2017	Hinto Energy, LLC	Show Cause: failure to file production reports and pay administrative fees.		Company in bankruptcy	<input type="checkbox"/>
78-2017	Hofland, James D.	Show Cause: failure to file production reports and pay administrative fees.	Dismissed	Reports received: 11/17/17 Fine received: 11/22/17	<input type="checkbox"/>
60-2017	Black Gold Energy Resource Development, LLC	Show Cause: why its plugging and reclamation bond should not be forfeited for failure to begin to plug and abandon its Indian Mound 1 SWD well located in the NE¼SW¼SW¼ of Section 15, T23N, R55E, Richland County, Montana as required by Board Order 45-2017, in accordance with § 82-11-123(5), MCA.			<input type="checkbox"/>



Baseline Water Quality

Locations:

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 Helena, MT 59601
 877.472.0711
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 400 W Boxelder Rd
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Baseline List

Analyses	Method	Reporting Limit	Price
<u>Inorganics</u>			
pH	A4500-HB	0.1 s.u.	\$10.00
Conductivity	A2510B	5 µmhos/cm	\$10.00
Solids, Total Dissolved	A2540C	10 mg/L	\$20.00
Alkalinity	A2320B	4 mg/L	\$10.00
- Bicarbonate	A2320B	4 mg/L	included
- Carbonate	A2320B	4mg/L	included
Anions by Ion Chromatography	E300.0		\$30.00
- Chloride	E300.0	1 mg/L	included
- Sulfate	E300.0	1 mg/L	included
- Fluoride	E300.0	0.1 mg/L	included
- Bromide	E300.0	0.5 mg/L	included
Nitrate plus Nitrite	E353.2	0.01 mg/L	\$25.00
Phosphorus, Total	E365.1	0.005 mg/L	\$20.00
<u>Metals, Acid Soluble</u>			
Arsenic	E200.7/200.8	0.001 mg/L	\$10.00
Boron	E200.7/200.8	0.1 mg/L	\$10.00
Calcium	E200.7/200.8	1 mg/L	\$10.00
Chromium	E200.7/200.8	0.005 mg/L	\$10.00
Iron	E200.7/200.8	0.03 mg/L	\$10.00
Magnesium	E200.7/200.8	1 mg/L	\$10.00
Manganese	E200.7/200.8	0.001 mg/L	\$10.00
Potassium	E200.7/200.8	1 mg/L	\$10.00
Selenium	E200.7/200.8	0.001 mg/L	\$10.00
Sodium	E200.7/200.8	1 mg/L	\$10.00
Strontium	E200.7/200.8	0.01 mg/L	\$10.00
<u>Organic Characteristics</u>			
Methane	SW8015M	0.001 mg/L	\$50.00

Subtotal	\$285.00
Discount	25 %
Basic List Price per Sample.....	\$213.75



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Extended List

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Conductivity	A2510B	5 µmhos/cm	\$10.00
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Anions by Ion Chromatography	E300.0		\$30.00
- Chloride	E300.0	1 mg/L	included
- Sulfate	E300.0	1 mg/L	included
- Fluoride	E300.0	0.1 mg/L	included
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Calcium	E200.7/200.8	1 mg/L	\$10.00
Chromium	E200.7/200.8	0.005 mg/L	\$10.00
Iron	E200.7/200.8	0.03 mg/L	\$10.00
Magnesium	E200.7/200.8	1 mg/L	\$10.00
Manganese	E200.7/200.8	0.001 mg/L	\$10.00
Potassium	E200.7/200.8	1 mg/L	\$10.00
Selenium	E200.7/200.8	0.001 mg/L	\$10.00
Sodium	E200.7/200.8	1 mg/L	\$10.00
Strontium	E200.7/200.8	0.01 mg/L	\$10.00
<u>Organic Characteristics</u>			
Methane	SW8015M	0.001 mg/L	\$50.00
Volatile Petroleum Hydrocarbons	MA-VPH		\$120.00
- Benzene		0.5 µg/L	included
- Toluene		0.5 µg/L	included
- Ethylbenzene		0.5 µg/L	included
- Xylenes. Total		0.5 µg/L	included
- MTBE		1 µg/L	included
- Naphthalene		1 µg/L	included
- C5 to C8 Aliphatics		20 µg/L	included
- C9 to C10 Aromatics		20 µg/L	included
- C9 to C12 Aliphatics		20 µg/L	included
- Total Purgeable Hydrocarbons		20 µg/L	included
Extractable Petroleum Hydrocarbons Screen	SW8015B		\$75.00
- Total Extractable Hydrocarbons		300 µg/L	

Subtotal \$480.00
Discount 25 %

Extended List Price per Sample.....\$360.00

MONTANA BOARD OF OIL & GAS CONSERVATION

PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULE FOR 2018

<u>HEARING DATE</u>	<u>HEARING PLACE</u>	<u>APPLICATION DEADLINE</u>
Thursday February 15, 2018	Board of Oil & Gas Conservation Hearing Room, 2535 St. Johns Ave Billings, Montana	Thursday January 11, 2018
Thursday April 19, 2018	Board of Oil & Gas Conservation Hearing Room, 2535 St. Johns Ave Billings, Montana	Thursday March 15, 2018
Thursday June 14, 2018	Board of Oil & Gas Conservation Hearing Room, 2535 St. Johns Ave Billings, MT	Thursday May 10, 2018
Thursday August 9, 2018	Board of Oil & Gas Conservation Hearing Room, 2535 St. Johns Ave Billings, Montana	Thursday July 5, 2018
Thursday October 4, 2018	Board of Oil & Gas Conservation Hearing Room, 2535 St Johns Ave Billings, Montana	Thursday August 30, 2018
Thursday December 13, 2018	Board of Oil & Gas Conservation Hearing Room, 2535 St Johns Ave Billings, Montana	Thursday November 8, 2018

Applications for public hearing may be filed at the address listed below, and are to be received by NOON on the respective application deadline. Although we will accept fax and e-mail transmittals, your cooperation in providing the **ORIGINAL hardcopy application and ONE paper copy** is appreciated. For more information or to request accommodation for a disability before a scheduled hearing, please contact Jennifer Breton or Erin Ricci at the numbers shown below.

Send applications to:

Jennifer Breton
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OR

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