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ELEVATOR SAFETY REVIEW BOARD MEETING

April 22, 2008

9:30 a.m.

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PRESENT:

ILLINOIS ELEVATOR SAFETY BOARD
MR. FRANK CHRISTENSEN, Chairman
MR. WILLIAM BOGDAN
MR. THOMAS GANIER
MR. ROD GILLIS
MR. RICHARD GREGORY
MR. MARK HERTSBERG
MR. TOM JIRIK
MR. KELLY WELLER

OFFICE OF THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL
MR. JOSEPH AUGUST
MR. JAMES AUBIN
MR. ROBERT CAPUANI
MS. ELAINE DEL GRECO
MR. JOHN FENNELL
MR. CHET JANUS
MR. RICHARD MAYER
MS. JODI SCHRAGE

1 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: I'd like everybody
2 to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

3 (WHEREUPON THE PLEDGE OF
4 ALLEGIANCE WAS RECITED.)

5 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Have the minutes
6 been read? Board, have the minutes been read?
7 Do we have a motion to accept the minutes?

8 MR. WELLER: Yes.

9 MR. HERTSBERG: I'll second it.

10 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Any additions or
11 corrections to the minutes?

12 (NO RESPONSE.)

13 The motion has been sustained. All those
14 in favor, say "aye."

15 (WHEREUPON THERE WAS A CHORUS OF "AYES.")

16 All those against?

17 (NO RESPONSE.)

18 Okay. The "ayes" have it.

19 We're going to go to old business.

20 A. Elevator Safety Program Progress

21 Report by Bob Capuani.

22 MR. CAPUANI: Current state licenses.
23 Mechanics, 1684; apprentices, 681; contractors,
24 88; inspectors, a hundred and twenty-three;

1 conveyances, 17,734 with about a thousand more
2 to be entered. Municipality agreements were up
3 to 82. We sent 1,290 letters out to all the
4 municipalities in the state. 226 responded
5 since last Thursday. About 60 percent want to
6 sign an agreement with the State. They sent
7 letters of intent.

8 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: What about the
9 report from the Joliet Fire Department?

10 MR. CAPUANI: It's ongoing.

11 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: A letter from
12 Thompson Inspection regarding requirements for
13 annual inspection tests.

14 MR. CAPUANI: Mr. Gregory, for the
15 meeting --

16 MR. GREGORY: I blew it. I failed to get
17 it done. We were also discussing this as an
18 ASME --

19 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Okay, but is there
20 any other old business? Bob, do you have
21 anything else?

22 MR. CAPUANI: We sent the letter out to
23 Joliet Elevator Company, and we found out that
24 Joliet Elevator Company was working without a

1 license in the state.

2 We also sent a cease and desist letter to
3 the City of Cicero. They had an inspector that
4 was working without a license with the State.

5 Two letters went out -- one to NAESA and
6 one to Lift Technology on the two inspectors.

7 The registration of conveyances, we're
8 getting a lot of requests about how many -- to
9 put the conveyances on our website. This will
10 be on our website within a week. And we'll
11 have the addresses, the city and the county of
12 every conveyance that is registered in the
13 state.

14 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: If there's nothing
15 more on the old business, we're going to go
16 ahead on to the new business.

17 Variance request, condo complex in
18 Highwood, Illinois, presented by John Fennell.
19 John is not here.

20 MR. FENNELL: I'm right here.

21 No, I don't think there's anybody here to
22 present that variance request. So that comes
23 in later on, on the letter from the state rep.
24 So we can pull that off the agenda.

1 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Next is extension
2 of -- possible extension of deadlines.

3 MR. FENNELL: Okay. For the Board's
4 information, in conjunction with this request
5 from the condominium association in Highwood
6 regarding the fire service installation, their
7 conveyance, they also contacted State Senator
8 Susan Garrett. She requested a meeting. I
9 attended that meeting two weeks ago with
10 Senator Garrett and Senator John Sullivan from
11 Quincy, both having similar concerns. They had
12 asked for a moratorium on retroactive
13 provisions regarding existing elevators. I
14 said I would bring that to the Board. And at
15 the same time, the staff is discussing
16 extensions on retrofitting existing elevators
17 according to the code. They're sending out the
18 times that we already have for 2011, extending
19 those out.

20 I bring that to the Board only for the
21 purpose of the submission and discussion. We
22 should probably -- nobody has seen it up until
23 today. So I think it's unfair for the Board to
24 make any kind of a decision. I would only

1 recommend that we put this up for discussion at
2 the next meeting, and then the Board will be
3 prepared to talk about it, both issues,
4 extension and moratoriums.

5 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Dick?

6 MR. GREGORY: If we're going to talk about
7 extensions and moratoriums, are we talking
8 A17.3 issues?

9 MR. FENNELL: I'm not certain. I don't
10 know that we're talking about A17.3. I think
11 that deals with inspections, correct?

12 MR. GREGORY: No. A17.3 is the safety
13 code for existing elevators.

14 MR. FENNELL: Okay. Then we are talking
15 about A17.3. And I think the Board should be
16 prepared -- when reading A17.3, the labor
17 rights in themselves, are they A17.3, and the
18 documentation that they have regarding
19 extensions and moratoriums. That's what I
20 think we should be prepared to talk about in
21 May.

22 MR. GREGORY: Okay. May I ask -- well,
23 I'll make a motion that the staff prepare,
24 let's say, an outline analysis of the

1 requirements of the A17.3. That may be
2 considered difficult, or there may be just a
3 whole bunch of them. And for each
4 requirement -- and I'll take the specific one
5 that you mentioned, firefighter service.
6 Firefighter service -- the positive reasons of
7 having it and the reasons why we don't need it,
8 so that we have something meaty to discuss, so
9 that we can then have that discussion. Because
10 A17.3 is -- let's see -- how many pages here?
11 A hundred and fourteen pages. If we don't
12 squeeze this down into something, we're going
13 to be talking about this for another 10 years.

14 MR. CAPUANI: Mr. Chairman, I suggest that
15 the Board has a committee to do this because
16 the staff is not asking to eliminate; the staff
17 is asking to extend. So I believe that the
18 Board should have a committee and do the
19 research on this.

20 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: What they are
21 saying is they're already backed up. They're
22 backlogged right now. So he's asking if the
23 Board can put a committee together to try to
24 come up with something.

1 MR. FENNELL: This also doesn't have to be
2 done for the main meeting. It could be June or
3 July. That's fine. This is not an unimportant
4 topic. It's not a real simple topic either.

5 MR. GREGORY: No. And that's why it would
6 be -- and, Bob, I understand your issue that
7 you've got a lot of stuff going on, and I
8 suppose everybody else has got a lot of stuff
9 going on. I picked firefighter service because
10 I think that was the issue in this.

11 MR. FENNELL: Yes.

12 MR. GREGORY: And we could think about
13 firefighter service. If the building is under
14 five floors -- but I list any fire service
15 people that are here to -- correct me, but, in
16 general, firefighters are not going to use the
17 elevator. They're going to run up the stairs.
18 Certainly if it's 10 floors, they're going to
19 want to use an elevator. So, you know, where's
20 our break point? Or should there be a break
21 point? Or whatever.

22 The issue -- let's take the two big ticket
23 issues. That's one big ticket issue. The
24 other big ticket issue is in-ground cylinders

1 without safety bulkheads. So I mean, that's
2 subject to analysis, and perhaps, you know, if
3 the condominium could --

4 MR. CAPUANI: We're not --

5 MR. GREGORY: But would they prefer that
6 the elevator fell with some people in it? Or
7 in other words, that's the analysis of a couple
8 items.

9 If you go through A17.3, everything is
10 there for some reason. A17.3 basically started
11 out trying to mirror the 1955 Elevator Code so
12 elevators would all be up to the 1955
13 standards. So it really didn't work out that
14 way, but that's how it was started. And
15 there's a huge difference between the codes
16 before 1955 and then after. And then because
17 the State of Illinois had no code outside of
18 the Chicago Metropolitan Area, in general, you
19 know, all the elevators in the other part of
20 the state, they're going to have -- there may
21 or may not be issues with them.

22 MR. CAPUANI: I suggest you have the board
23 form a committee.

24 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: We're going to

1 form a committee, and I'd like Tom Jirik to be
2 on that committee.

3 And, Mark, if you would please. Thank
4 you. Okay.

5 Is there any more new business?

6 MR. CAPUANI: Yeah. I did send the Board
7 a letter that we sent out to Barnard Elevator.
8 Did anyone receive that? Okay. I mailed the
9 letter to Barnard Elevator. They did not
10 appear before the Board. They will appear
11 before the Board.

12 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Could you explain
13 what the letter is about?

14 MR. CAPUANI: There's accusations from the
15 Board of a condo association, that they went in
16 there, gave them a proposal for 20 some
17 thousand dollars -- or \$20,000 to upgrade
18 cylinders, door restrictors. There was no need
19 to get this proposal. It was already there.

20 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: What kind of
21 building was this?

22 MR. CAPUANI: It's a condominium building.
23 They contacted their representative,
24 Mr. Santiano (sp). They contacted our office,

1 and we did some research.

2 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: So they put a bid
3 on equipment that was already there?

4 MR. CAPUANI: Correct.

5 MR. GREGORY: Is this an Elevator Safety
6 Board issue, or is this a issue for the State's
7 Attorney? Or I mean the Better Business
8 Bureau? Do we have --

9 MR. CAPUANI: Barnard Elevator is licensed
10 by us.

11 MR. GREGORY: But in our rules, do we have
12 anything that says don't send incompetent
13 salesmen or --

14 MR. CAPUANI: I think we just wanted them
15 to explain their accusation.

16 MR. GREGORY: I mean this as nice as I
17 can, what I'm saying about it, okay?

18 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: I actually believe
19 that we have people that are contracted, and
20 they have a license with the elevator division,
21 and we need to watch what they're doing.

22 MR. CAPUANI: I agree.

23 MR. GREGORY: But do we have a rule -- we
24 ran into this, you know, a few months with

1 inspectors. Do we have a rule that we can
2 hang, you know, a coat hanger on or something?

3 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: We'll have to look
4 at it.

5 MR. FENNELL: Mr. Chairman, we will have
6 one, by the way, meeting, but the final
7 amendments will be adopted and will be
8 published Friday. Not this Friday, a week from
9 Friday.

10 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Thank you, John.
11 Anything else about that?

12 MR. CAPUANI: No, sir.

13 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Any new business
14 from the Board?

15 (NO RESPONSE.)

16 None being, I'll open it up to public
17 comment. We have written requests, the first
18 one from Tom Manning. Tom?

19 MR. MANNING: Good morning. I'd like to
20 request the Board to consider OSHA 10 training
21 for continuing education for renewal of a
22 license. A lot of our contractors are getting
23 jobs now that require OSHA 10 cards in order to
24 have stuff on site for the guys doing the work

1 out on the field. And I would like to consider
2 a 10-hour program part of the continuing
3 education for the renewal process of the
4 license.

5 MR. GREGORY: What is the OSHA 10?

6 MR. MANNING: Well, here's the topics of
7 OSHA 10. I highlight them out down there.

8 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Introduction to
9 OSHA, general safety and health provision,
10 electrical and fall protection, personal
11 protective life-saving equipment, material
12 handling source use and disposal, hand and
13 power tools, scaffolds, crane, derricks,
14 hoists, elevators and conveyors, evacuations,
15 stairway and ladders.

16 MR. GREGORY: Who does this training?

17 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: It's people that
18 are qualified.

19 MR. MANNING: People that are qualified by
20 OSHA to do the training. They have
21 instructors, and you can do it on line or you
22 can have classroom, depending on the
23 contractors and companies.

24 MR. GREGORY: So the mechanics get a

1 certificate or something?

2 MR. MANNING: You get a card, an OSHA 10
3 card.

4 MR. GREGORY: And what is the period of
5 time that's -- how often do you have to be
6 retrained or something like that?

7 MR. MANNING: OSHA 10, you don't have to
8 be retrained. There's retraining for OSHA 30,
9 which is a 30-hour class, which goes into more
10 detail in the OSHA process, but right now OSHA
11 just requires OSHA 10.

12 MR. GREGORY: Is there any reason we
13 wouldn't approve OSHA 10 and the OSHA 30?

14 MR. MANNING: I don't see a problem with
15 that, either one.

16 MR. GREGORY: Bob, what are our
17 requirements for the paperwork that is
18 submitted by the mechanics or whatever for that
19 to happen?

20 MR. CAPUANI: They have to complete eight
21 hours of continuing education.

22 MR. GREGORY: And if they have a card that
23 says OSHA 10, 10 hours of education, is that
24 adequate?

1 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: We'd have to make
2 a motion to accept it.

3 MR. GREGORY: No. If we accept it, would
4 them presenting a card that said, "We've had 10
5 hours" -- in other words, whoever is going to
6 do the training, what has to be presented to
7 you guys to say, "Aha. These guys had this
8 training"?

9 MR. CAPUANI: A certificate of completion.

10 MR. MANNING: Which is the card.

11 MR. CAPUANI: A minimum of eight hours.
12 The card does not tell you it's 10 hours of
13 training.

14 MR. MANNING: Right, but that's what it
15 is. In order to receive that card, you have to
16 go through the training, and it's a 10-hour
17 course.

18 MS. DEL GRECO: You would get a
19 certificate, too, which would state that you've
20 had 10 hours of training?

21 MR. MANNING: That, I'm not sure. I know
22 you'd get the card saying you went through the
23 OSHA 10 training.

24 MR. CAPUANI: Right. And it has to be

1 applied directly for elevators.

2 MR. MANNING: For elevators, right.

3 MR. GREGORY: So I'm back to how do
4 we -- first of all, we're discussing -- and
5 I'll make a motion that we accept both OSHA 10
6 and the OSHA 30 training so that we can then
7 legitimately discuss it.

8 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Is there a second?

9 MR. WELLER: I second it.

10 MR. GREGORY: Does this work with your
11 system here to handle this, to record it, so
12 that these guys get the credit for it?

13 MR. CAPUANI: If we receive a certificate
14 stating it's eight hours, the elevator
15 continuing training, we can add it to our
16 system. It's as simple as that.

17 MR. GREGORY: But how do we -- since the
18 card -- and you have a card, since the card
19 doesn't say it --

20 MR. CAPUANI: They would need a
21 certificate of completion.

22 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Can the
23 card -- you can just get the card, I know that,
24 for the 10 hours. Can we have that instructor

1 put a letter together that states that they did
2 10 hours of completion?

3 MS. SCHRAGE: Bob, is it common knowledge
4 that it's 10 hours no matter what?

5 MR. CAPUANI: Yes.

6 MS. SCHRAGE: Then as long as we know that
7 you get a card, and it's always 10 hours, and
8 that variable never changes.

9 MR. MANNING: OSHA 30 is OSHA 30 hours.
10 OSHA 10 is OSHA 10 training.

11 MR. AUGUST: The only thing we would need,
12 Bob, is to verify how much of the 10 hours and
13 how much of the 30 hours applies towards
14 elevators. You have to make that determination
15 because it may be 10 hours, but only 4 hours
16 gets credit towards elevators. So we just need
17 to have information on that to make a
18 determination of what is what.

19 MR. GREGORY: So can we get this, I mean,
20 entered in our records?

21 MR. CAPUANI: We need to vote on it.

22 MR. GREGORY: If we can't get it entered
23 into our records, then I would like -- the
24 personal protective equipment? The material

1 handling? That's all -- I mean, I'm agreeing
2 it's all elevator work. I'm just saying before
3 we just go off to approve A or B, we need
4 something that the Office of the State Fire
5 Marshal can hang their hat on.

6 MR. CAPUANI: We need a certificate of
7 completion that states you had eight hours of
8 continuing education for elevator training.

9 MR. GREGORY: But they don't give you
10 that.

11 MR. CAPUANI: They're going to have to get
12 a letter from the instructor. Since you're
13 paying them money for that course, I'm sure
14 they'd be willing to give you a letter of
15 completion.

16 MR. GREGORY: So I'll amend the motion
17 that we accept this, presuming that the
18 elevator personnel get a letter of completion
19 from the instructor showing the number of hours
20 that they've received.

21 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Is there a second
22 on that?

23 MR. WELLER: I'll second the original one,
24 yes.

1 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Any more questions
2 on the amendment?

3 (NO RESPONSE.)

4 All in favor, say "aye."

5 (WHEREUPON THERE WAS A CHORUS OF "AYES.")

6 All those against?

7 (NO RESPONSE.)

8 The "ayes" have it. Thank you.

9 MR. MANNING: Thank you.

10 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Leo Richardson?

11 I'm sorry. Jodi, did you want to speak?

12 MS. SCHRAGE: The elevator mechanic test
13 is currently at the printer, and three
14 different batteries of the test will be printed
15 and sent out to our statewide -- to our
16 proctors. By June 1st, everything will be on
17 the website, which will give the test dates of
18 where the test will be administered, a request
19 for examination form that must be submitted to
20 the Office of State Fire Marshal if you want to
21 take the test, which has to be submitted 30
22 days prior to the date that you're requesting,
23 and a form that will likely request a specific
24 test date if the test date is not -- you know,

1 one that's not there. Then you can pay a fee
2 and request another date. So that will be on
3 our website and available by June 1st.

4 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Thank you.

5 MR. RICHARDSON: I'm going to give you
6 guys a copy of this. What this is, is for the
7 continuing education.

8 Okay. One of the things Kone Elevator did
9 this year was we went to a computer-based
10 training system, partially because of the way
11 we did training in the past and safety training
12 in the past was not as effective as it could
13 be. We'll just leave it at that.

14 And what we did was, we used a company
15 that basically standardizes how the courses
16 were developed. And they really go through and
17 find course objectives, learning objectives,
18 detailed outlines for each course, how many
19 hours. The beauty of this system, and why Kone
20 went to this is because, number one, the course
21 is presented to employees without somebody
22 having to be a professional trainer, which is a
23 big benefit.

24 The other thing is, the classes are

1 beginning next year and will be able to be
2 created on our own, or modified, which means we
3 can make them more and more elevator specific
4 as we want, as far as our training goes. We
5 can have our technical training right at a
6 computer. As an employee logs in, it literally
7 documents how long they've been trained. So we
8 can run reports down to the individual, showing
9 you how long they were trained, did they miss a
10 class. And if so, I have a report showing
11 that, and I can give them the "go."

12 And what I did for the continuing
13 education plan was, you know, I went through,
14 you know, the administrative rules talking
15 about, you know, the instructor's names and
16 qualifications. And we talked about how Peer
17 Safety developed these in conjunction with, you
18 know, learning objectives and all those
19 requirements.

20 But it will also -- in Appendix D, it
21 actually outlines for each class this year that
22 employees are trained on detailed outlines and
23 objectives for each class. So you'll see one
24 or two pages for each class that we have, what

1 it covers. And the idea is to make sure,
2 number one, we're not repeating our
3 information. The other is to make sure that as
4 we upgrade these classes in the future, we know
5 exactly what -- you know, what areas we should
6 improve upon.

7 This year, we really looked at the plan as
8 far as our training goes. It was one of those
9 that we looked at our highest risk. Well, how
10 are these guys getting hurt out there? Safety
11 equipment was a big one. Lock-out was still a
12 big one. Material handling was still a big
13 one. The fall protection, we can never get
14 around it. And ladders. Those kinds of areas
15 we targeted very heavily.

16 In the annual plan we have, this is the
17 same across the country. This just isn't
18 Illinois. It's everywhere across the company.
19 Everybody follows this. This is our minimum
20 training requirements for the boys, all right?

21 Each employee, as a minimum, has to go
22 through 12 hours of safety. The reason we did
23 this is because it's consistent; it's standard;
24 versus, you know, any other training we do. We

1 have the OSHA 10 training for general
2 registration on line where they actually get a
3 card from OSHA, but it's not standard. Not
4 every employee is going to take that. So it's
5 not a really good proof as far as eight hours
6 of continuing education if I can only say
7 60 percent of our guys took it this year.
8 That's not good stuff.

9 And one of the last pages is how we
10 document training. Any of these classes, guys
11 also get certificates, and the certificates
12 were in Appendix C in the back, which is, you
13 know, if a guy gets to the end of the class, we
14 can actually print off a certificate. But the
15 last page actually shows Kone -- how we
16 actually document the training, meaning even
17 though it's on the computer, we still need
18 signatures, who the instructor was, or who I
19 guess led the class at least, but it tells you
20 how many training minutes that the employees
21 had. And you actually have to sign it as the
22 course leader on the bottom of it. So it is
23 one of those that, you know, we still
24 have -- we have about three meetings of

1 documents or training.

2 We also went to computer based, for the
3 fact that we can do better reports, because our
4 customers are starting to ask, "What have you
5 guys been trained on?" And paper methods are
6 just not good enough for that.

7 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Is it 12 hours a
8 year?

9 MR. RICHARDSON: 12 hours for the year.
10 For the last three quarters, though, that we
11 have yet to do, it's 9 1/2 hours of training.

12 CHAIRMAN CHRISTENSEN: Is there any
13 policy?

14 MR. RICHARDSON: Yes, there is. A lot of
15 times in the quarterly plan, that is where we
16 actually review our company policy. And then
17 later in the year when we can -- actually, in
18 our computer-based classes, we'll be able to
19 insert our policies.

20 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: What I mean by
21 "policy" is, you're talking company policy
22 towards safety?

23 MR. RICHARDSON: Yes.

24 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Not about the

1 company itself?

2 MR. RICHARDSON: No, no. We try to make
3 it -- the goal is with this training is to make
4 it as specifically as we can. I mean, I
5 actually see the class for the installation guy
6 versus service. And we're trying to get as
7 specified as we can. Because even in our plans
8 now, we have a lot of our safety training
9 requirements for service methods, but there's
10 no Power Point found for that. So when those
11 are created, they'll be put in the system as
12 well. That will really help with the
13 continuing ed. because that's as specific as we
14 can get, but we're just not there with the
15 system.

16 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Dick?

17 MR. GREGORY: Did I understand you to say
18 it's computer based? Does that mean the guy
19 sitting at home on the Internet is doing it,
20 and that you have the people in the classroom
21 situation, and it's on a big screen or
22 whatever?

23 MR. RICHARDSON: Yes.

24 MR. GREGORY: And you have a moderator,

1 whatever you would actually call it, a man, a
2 facilitator, moderator? A policeman, so they
3 don't shoot the screen or something? So that's
4 how you manage to generate this?

5 MR. RICHARDSON: Yes. And usually the
6 benefit of this, though, is if a guy does miss,
7 then, you know, we can bring them back in
8 obviously and still present them the training,
9 you know.

10 MR. GREGORY: You give them the same
11 training everybody else had?

12 MR. RICHARDSON: Yes.

13 MR. GREGORY: You brought them all in, and
14 it's on your computer drive or whatever?

15 MR. RICHARDSON: It actually works
16 extremely well.

17 MR. GREGORY: And you produce certificates
18 for these guys that shows how many -- I mean,
19 there's one in here. I didn't read the whole
20 thing.

21 MR. RICHARDSON: Yeah. It's custom
22 tailored to whatever class that would be
23 presented.

24 MR. GREGORY: But it gives the hours?

1 MR. RICHARDSON: The certificate itself
2 does not. That's why we use -- on the last
3 page, that shows how many training in minutes
4 that these guys completed.

5 MR. CAPUANI: So they had eight hours by
6 the end of this year?

7 MR. RICHARDSON: By the end of this year,
8 they have over 12.

9 MR. CAPUANI: You have to realize the
10 first licenses were issued probably around the
11 1st of December. The notices will go out 90
12 days prior. And it's probably going to take a
13 month to get your license. So I would start
14 advising your mechanics to start the process at
15 least a month before their license expires.

16 MR. RICHARDSON: You know, this plan has
17 been in place for several years for us. I
18 mean, it is usually 12 to 15 hours minimum.
19 And those guys that -- you know, we have a lot
20 of guys that go through the OSHA 10 on line as
21 well. It's just a big part of our customers.

22 MR. GREGORY: I'll move --

23 MR. WELLER: Just some discussion, if you
24 don't mind, if I could bring it up.

1 It's much easier for us if you tell us
2 exactly -- because this is really nice -- what
3 exactly do you want us to do? Do you want us
4 to look at section one thousand, one, one, zero
5 and accept this as your eight hours?

6 MR. RICHARDSON: Yes.

7 MR. WELLER: My recommendation is anybody
8 that comes before us, just start with that so
9 that we know what you're asking for. So when
10 we make the motion, we can get what you need.

11 The second part of this is, under the two
12 acts or two pieces of that, that we're required
13 to look at, as an elevator manufacturer, which
14 Kone is, correct?

15 MR. RICHARDSON: Correct.

16 MR. WELLER: Is this specific to your
17 elevators, or is this specific to the industry?

18 MR. RICHARDSON: Just specific to the
19 industry.

20 MR. WELLER: So you do eight hours
21 specifically to your elevators?

22 MR. RICHARDSON: Especially with our
23 service guys, installation is kind of hard to
24 say. Any new equipment guys? Absolutely.

1 MR. WELLER: Okay. Because you've already
2 given this provision as a manufacturer, as long
3 as it's specific under the code.

4 MR. RICHARDSON: The problem is, though,
5 you cannot guarantee that for each individual.
6 Like some guys --

7 MR. WELLER: So this would be training
8 provided by a contractor in your case?

9 MR. RICHARDSON: Yes.

10 MR. WELLER: And they must be approved by
11 the Board in advance of the training, which
12 you're asking us to do. The individual you're
13 requesting, the individual must present the
14 information to the Board, and that's us, right?

15 MR. RICHARDSON: Right.

16 MR. WELLER: Instructor name and
17 qualifications? How are we going to do that
18 over the Internet?

19 MR. RICHARDSON: I mean, that is what I
20 put in the Section 1, and it was talking about
21 how those classes were developed, what
22 qualifications they had and approvals they had.
23 And being approved by the rules of IATC means
24 they actually go through and make sure that the

1 classes are developed by the professional
2 trainers. And they actually go through and
3 learn adult-learning techniques, and they try
4 to maximize adult-learner attention, as they
5 call it. But I put that in, in Section 1 and
6 2, talking about the qualifications of the
7 company, called Peer Safety, that actually goes
8 through and develops these classes.

9 MR. WELLER: So you're asking kind
10 of -- you've got every other test except for a
11 specific instructor and a specific signature.

12 MR. CAPUANI: Is this a certificate that
13 you would receive?

14 MR. RICHARDSON: Yes, yes.

15 MR. CAPUANI: That's an electronic
16 signature, and we require a handwritten
17 signature. I mean, this is off the computer.

18 MR. WELLER: I mean, it doesn't say that.
19 I mean, it says instructor's name and
20 qualifications. The only thing that we have to
21 have a leap of faith on is whoever is designing
22 these programs is, you know, a instructor.

23 MR. RICHARDSON: And, actually, I did
24 outline that pretty well in Section 2 just

1 because it was one of those that -- I mean,
2 part of the problems we had with our training
3 in the past was if you have a typical
4 installation manager trying to present
5 training, it was a hit or miss. One location
6 had fantastic training and did a good job. The
7 next location was, "Here, guys. Read this."
8 That's not training.

9 And so we went with this, and they
10 actually went through and developed these
11 courses the way they should be developed by
12 professionals, and, you know, with learning
13 objectives and interactive activities. You
14 name it. So I mean, I did go through and
15 define that in that second section. I know
16 that was the question as far as, you know, you
17 guys want to know who is developing this stuff.
18 And I completely understand. Believe me, I've
19 seen some pretty bad ones in my day, that it
20 was not well done.

21 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: But if the Board
22 would like to show up to one of your training
23 classes to see how you're doing it, would you
24 have a problem with that?

1 MR. RICHARDSON: Absolutely not. I can
2 even give you guys, if the Board wanted, a
3 guest user to go into the system. Everything I
4 put in those course objectives, you could go
5 into any one of those classes that I listed,
6 look at it, and it would match up to what the
7 agenda is, so.

8 MR. WELLER: May I make a suggestion? Can
9 the staff review it and vote on this at the
10 next meeting? The only question I have is,
11 what are we going to review it for? I have a
12 problem with that as long as we are going to
13 look at the instructors. Are we going to look
14 at the program and say "yes"? Is that so we do
15 that?

16 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: But there's one
17 other problem there. We've already okayed this
18 with Otis Elevator. And we didn't do anything
19 to make sure they used the proper instructor
20 and things like that.

21 MR. WELLER: Did they have electronic? I
22 don't remember it being --

23 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Those were for
24 safety classes. It wasn't company policy. It

1 was for safety classes, and we've already
2 okayed their policy.

3 MR. WELLER: I don't have a problem with
4 all of that. I think they're responsible for
5 getting their people trained and that kind of
6 thing. The only thing I think Bob and I are
7 leery about is it's done over the Internet.
8 It's an electronic signature.

9 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: This is over the
10 classroom.

11 MR. WELLER: I think it is a website.

12 MR. RICHARDSON: It is website. It's
13 still in a group setting. You still present it
14 to your guys.

15 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: By their employees
16 to their office.

17 MR. GREGORY: Power Point.

18 MR. WELLER: That's a heck of a difference
19 between Power Point and Web based.

20 MR. GREGORY: You're absolutely right.
21 That's why I asked that question at the
22 beginning. And, you know, they're going to
23 have, you know, a little projector and a big
24 screen, and they're going to have, as I say, a

1 policeman watching that to make sure these
2 guys --

3 MR. WELLER: Wouldn't that be an
4 instructor? Why couldn't he sign the
5 certification?

6 MR. GREGORY: I would think he could.

7 MR. WELLER: The issue is moot.

8 MR. GREGORY: Yeah.

9 MR. WELLER: So just ask whoever is
10 instructing the class to sign the certs. The
11 certs come out of the computer. They look like
12 that. And have him put his name on top of it
13 and say, "I'm the guy." You know, "My guys
14 were in the room."

15 MR. RICHARDSON: But he also signs the
16 training roster as well, verifying those guys
17 are there, and they took the training.

18 MR. WELLER: Yeah, but they're going to
19 see the cert.

20 MR. CAPUANI: We're not going to see the
21 certificates.

22 MR. WELLER: She's not going to see the
23 certification.

24 MR. GREGORY: However, I mean, your

1 question is a very good question.

2 MR. CAPUANI: How many hours do you need
3 to receive the certificate?

4 MR. RICHARDSON: As long as you complete
5 the class. We have some courses that are 25
6 minutes in length and others are two hours in
7 length.

8 MR. GREGORY: The minutes -- and maybe I
9 should let you explain. The minutes are
10 recorded as a separate -- how many minutes they
11 are for each class.

12 MR. CAPUANI: You get a certificate of
13 completion, correct, at the end? Not by how
14 many hours?

15 MR. WELLER: By module.

16 MR. GREGORY: By module. Is that right?

17 MR. RICHARDSON: We can do it either way.
18 Normally it's per module for each one.

19 MR. WELLER: That may be great internally.
20 We don't want to see one thing. We just want
21 to see the eight-hour requirement.

22 MR. RICHARDSON: That would be easy. It
23 would be that paper and a report for each
24 employee of the state showing here's how many

1 hours they had, and you can verify that through
2 the paper and their signatures.

3 MR. WELLER: Let's clear it up one more
4 time. We'll get a paper like this from your
5 staff? And it will have your certification on
6 it, the instructor who taught the class, right?
7 The hours somewhere on here, the hours that
8 were provided? And you're going to submit it
9 with a signature on it?

10 MR. GREGORY: What we're saying is if we
11 have a problem with these certs -- let's
12 say -- here's one that I just opened up.
13 Hazard communication, 30 minutes. A lot of
14 these providers give you a certificate then for
15 that 30 minutes.

16 MR. CAPUANI: They're going to have to
17 give us one for eight hours. We don't have the
18 paperwork and the staff. We need one simple
19 certificate completion for eight hours.

20 MR. GREGORY: Otis is doing this on weekly
21 training.

22 MR. CAPUANI: Otis is going to verify that
23 they want your eight hours of training. They
24 have a letter to each individual. So we have

1 one letter from Otis for each individual.

2 MR. GILLIS: That's what we talked about
3 before.

4 MR. CAPUANI: We're trying to make this
5 really simple.

6 MR. RICHARDSON: I'm all in favor of that.

7 MR. WELLER: Walk me through the process
8 so I can understand. When you submit your
9 license, there needs to be some cert that you
10 had eight hours of training.

11 MR. GREGORY: That's in two certs.

12 MR. WELLER: We would prefer it not to be.

13 MR. GREGORY: I understand, but that's not
14 what -- that's not the way the whole thing
15 started out. So we're making a change if we're
16 going to require it not to be in individual
17 certificates.

18 MR. CAPUANI: Well, I guess it's okay. If
19 they want to talk about a piece of paper with
20 20 minutes whatever, I need a certificate that
21 says you completed eight hours of continuing
22 training, period. That's all I need.

23 MR. RICHARDSON: Well, I would rather not
24 print nine things off anyway. So I can

1 show -- I mean, that's why I showed the Board
2 like the entire plan because these guys are
3 hammered on getting this plan done a hundred
4 percent completion. So if you can show a
5 certificate showing -- it doesn't matter. It's
6 a rolling plan that's nine months back. The
7 guy is going to have that training, and we can
8 easily print a certificate saying he completed
9 the annual training plan. Here's the courses
10 he completed for how many hours. Done.

11 MR. WELLER: Thank you. We're making the
12 adjustment, a very slight adjustment. You're
13 still going to have the instructor sign it, but
14 we're going to bless the qualification to
15 whoever produces. You've still got to have
16 signature, still going to have the hours.
17 We're blessing the company that puts together
18 the presentation as qualified.

19 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Do you want to
20 make a motion?

21 MR. GREGORY: I move that we accept this.

22 MR. WELLER: As discussed.

23 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Is there a second?

24 MR. WELLER: So moved.

1 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Any more questions
2 on this?

3 (NO RESPONSE.)

4 All those in favor, say "aye."
5 (WHEREUPON THERE WAS A CHORUS OF "AYES.")

6 All those against?

7 (NO RESPONSE.)

8 The "ayes" have it. Thank you.

9 Michael?

10 MR. GIBBS: Good morning, everybody. I'm
11 from Anderson Elevator. I just have two
12 questions of the Board. I don't necessarily
13 need an answer today.

14 Is it this Board's intention to bring the
15 elevators in question up to handicapped
16 compliance as well as address the Safety Code
17 Issues 17.3? And that's the first one.

18 And the second question I have of the
19 Board is you have a double standard currently
20 with what you require of inspectors to witness
21 testing. Myself, I'm a QUI inspector. I have
22 been since '92. People in my position working
23 for elevator companies are required to
24 schedule, from what I understand, a week in

1 advance to go witness a pressure test.
2 Elevator inspectors that work for inspectional
3 companies do not have to follow that same
4 restriction. Simply stated, why? That's the
5 gist of my comments.

6 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: That one I'll let
7 Bob answer that.

8 MR. CAPUANI: Well, the companies asked
9 for an extension. That the elevator inspection
10 companies couldn't possibly perform
11 9,000 -- thousands of pressure tests, okay? So
12 we gave an extension for the companies to
13 perform their own pressure test. I've gotten
14 50 pressure tests in the last -- since
15 February 14th. So I don't know why all these
16 thousands are behind because they're not
17 getting any requests for any pressure tests.

18 MR. GIBBS: Well, the companies -- and I
19 know I'm not speaking only for Anderson
20 Elevator, but the companies that can perform
21 their own tests are not going to submit
22 requests to the State to perform tests.

23 MR. CAPUANI: It's the Board's decision.
24 That was in the Board's decision.

1 MR. GIBBS: I'm not sure what.

2 MR. CAPUANI: That they had to inform us a
3 week prior to their testing.

4 MR. GIBBS: Right.

5 MR. CAPUANI: As to the time and date.

6 MR. GIBBS: But that's the basis of my
7 inquiry. Why does my QUI certification and the
8 Illinois license not carry the same integrity
9 as someone from an inspectional company? I
10 know the question was brought up, well, we
11 don't want the company guys running out and
12 doing a hundred tests a day. I can only speak
13 to how Anderson Elevator does it. We don't
14 charge our customers for the mechanic to
15 perform the test. And the fee for the witness
16 is basically half of what an inspector is
17 charging. So my customers are very happy that
18 Anderson Elevator is providing the service.
19 They don't -- my mechanics don't make more, the
20 more pressure tests they do. So the idea that
21 they would run out and do a lot more, there's
22 no benefit for them to do that.

23 MR. CAPUANI: What are you asking here?

24 MR. GIBBS: I'm asking basically that that

1 restriction be eliminated, that my inspectional
2 license in Illinois be considered of the same
3 integrity that an inspector working for an
4 inspection firm has.

5 MR. CAPUANI: But the State says you
6 cannot inspect your own equipment.

7 MR. GIBBS: But you are allowing it right
8 now.

9 MR. CAPUANI: Right, but we gave an
10 emergency exception because the companies came
11 in and said it was impossible to catch up. So
12 we gave them time to catch up, and it's
13 basically what the Board did.

14 MR. GIBBS: Okay.

15 MR. CAPUANI: Correct.

16 MR. AUGUST: A week notice in
17 advance -- I'm the deputy director of the
18 agency. We said a week's notice in advance so
19 we can have our inspector for the spot checks.
20 And the inspector came out to the site to do a
21 spot check on your facilities to be sure you're
22 doing it correctly.

23 MR. GIBBS: I'm okay with that. But the
24 first question with regard to the handicapped

1 is many of the issues in A17.3 address what's
2 in a car station -- the phones, the button,
3 switches, keys, all that. And from a company
4 point of view and to a customer's point of
5 view, if so many things are being changed on
6 that car station, is it not in the State's best
7 interest then as a result, the riding public
8 and the building owners to bring the car in
9 compliance with the handicapped code? That's
10 never been talked about.

11 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Dick?

12 MR. GREGORY: I guess I don't fully
13 understand what you're asking, Mike.

14 If you, as an elevator company, sell the
15 guy a new car manual, let's say -- is that what
16 you're saying? Then is the question should you
17 be complying with A117.1, the Accessibility
18 Standard?

19 MR. GIBBS: The state requirements to
20 upgrade the safety features, and the best
21 example that I can use is we can go through all
22 the IMs that are on the list of what needs to
23 be upgraded, including the fire recall, and
24 still have hall buttons that are in the hall

1 60 inches above the floor.

2 MR. GREGORY: I understand. But the
3 Office of State Fire Marshal did not adopt a
4 117.1. Am I correct, Bob?

5 MR. CAPUANI: Correct.

6 MR. GREGORY: So we are not in a position
7 to enforce a 117.1 because it's not in our
8 ballpark.

9 Some of the things that you might bring
10 up -- and you'll notice, let's say, as far as
11 telephones in elevators, you'll find that is in
12 the elevator code. So that's something that we
13 would presume to be enforcing or want
14 inspectors to enforce and companies to follow,
15 etcetera. But there's nothing in the elevator
16 code that sets the height of buttons above
17 floors, for example.

18 Now, that said, if you're in a
19 jurisdiction that adopts the
20 IB -- International Building Code, IBC, and if
21 IBC adopts a 117.1, then you are subject to a
22 117, the Accessibility Standard from A117.1 if
23 that jurisdiction adopted IBC.

24 Now, the question is, did that

1 jurisdiction -- you're wondering about
2 enforcement? Do they authorize their -- A, do
3 they have an inspector? And, B, if they have
4 one, did they authorize that inspector to
5 inspect for the handicapped issues? I don't
6 know.

7 In the State of Illinois, I think we still
8 have the Illinois Capital Development Board,
9 which adopted accessibility requirements, which
10 are very close to the Federal Americans with
11 Disability Act. And the Illinois Accessibility
12 Code, in essence, states it applies everywhere
13 without exception. There are no exceptions.
14 Even the City of Chicago would like to feel
15 that they're excepted from everything, and it
16 applies there, too. Does the Illinois
17 Accessibility Board have any people running
18 around enforcing it? Beats me.

19 MR. BOGDAN: It's enforced by the Illinois
20 Attorney's Office.

21 MR. GREGORY: That's the same as the ADA.
22 That's a Civil Rights Act. You have to go to
23 the U.S. Attorney in that district to get
24 enforcement because they're not sending

1 attorneys around looking at elevators. It's
2 complaint driven, as you pointed out. Thank
3 you.

4 So from your point of view, if you're
5 asking us what we should do as a company, I
6 would say that you advise your customer, look,
7 here's -- you may not be -- if you have a
8 condominium, and it's a hundred percent owner
9 occupied, the federal law of ADA does not apply
10 to you, but all these other ones do. So you
11 would be well advised to tell your customers
12 here's what applies, and here's what doesn't
13 apply, so.

14 MR. WELLER: Take a second and read that
15 for me, and tell me if that -- where it starts
16 right here. Tell me if that is your concern.
17 Or am I not reading that right?

18 MR. GIBBS: There is a little bit of an
19 overlap, and that's a gray area that Richard
20 just talked about.

21 MR. WELLER: So you're good? Okay.

22 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Does that answer
23 everything?

24 MR. GIBBS: Thanks.

1 MR. GREGORY: I still didn't understand
2 your second question, and maybe now I
3 understand it. The Board -- let me just try to
4 rephrase it.

5 The Board, some months ago, required the
6 self-inspection, "self" being your company,
7 that you have to notify the State of where
8 you're going to inspect next week, okay? And
9 that was voted on in the past. But if that was
10 the question that you asked, the answer is
11 already --

12 MR. WELLER: Explain to him why, because
13 they want to be able to understand it.

14 MR. GIBBS: Okay. I've got it.

15 MR. WELLER: There's a lot of
16 postponement.

17 MR. GIBBS: Okay. Thanks.

18 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: We do have two
19 public comments, but I believe this is on
20 variances. John Koshack. John?

21 MR. KOSCHACK: Yes?

22 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: John, hang on a
23 second. Have you submitted everything?

24 MR. KOSCHACK: Yeah, the books, and he

1 didn't mention old businesses under variances.

2 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: We usually adjourn
3 the meeting, and then we go into the variances
4 and appeals, okay? The variance section in the
5 agenda isn't really for variances.

6 MS. DEL GRECO: It should be variances and
7 appeals probably.

8 MR. KOSCHACK: Just tell me what to do.

9 MR. CAPUANI: During the typing, it didn't
10 get in there.

11 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Then we have
12 Kathleen Sorrenson (sp), and you're asking for
13 a variance?

14 MS. SORRENSON: I'm not sure if it's a
15 variance. We want to remove an elevator. And
16 I've spoken with --

17 MR. CAPUANI: There will be a form to fill
18 out, and it will be on the website. I
19 apologize. Probably even in two weeks.

20 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Did you hear that?

21 MS. SORRENSON: Yeah, I can hear you.

22 My problem is, we've had our -- we've
23 applied for our conveyance. We've had our
24 inspection. And we had 30 days to bring this

1 up to code, and we aren't going to make our 30
2 days because I've only had one elevator company
3 come out and actually start working on a price,
4 and it can't possibly happen within 30 days.

5 MR. CAPUANI: Who's doing the inspection?

6 MS. SORRENSON: Jason Landers.

7 MR. CAPUANI: Can you ask for an extension
8 from him?

9 MS. SORRENSON: Is he who I ask?

10 MR. CAPUANI: He's the one who issued the
11 violation.

12 MR. FENNELL: He may have issued the
13 violation, but he's only got authority to allow
14 30 days for compliance. The rules require the
15 administrator to extend for good cause if
16 public safety is not jeopardized. So there's a
17 question that comes to the administrator.

18 MR. CAPUANI: Can you send me a letter on
19 this, and I will answer you?

20 MR. FENNELL: You came all the way down
21 here for that? I think we can do it after the
22 meeting is over.

23 MR. CAPUANI: I apologize.

24 MR. WELLER: So we're going to address her

1 situation?

2 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: The administrator.

3 MR. GREGORY: You're in Springfield?

4 MS. SORRENSON: I'm in Springfield.

5 MR. GREGORY: You came all the way here
6 from Springfield?

7 MS. SORRENSON: I came all the way down
8 here from home.

9 MR. CAPUANI: See me after the meeting.

10 MS. SORRENSON: Okay.

11 MR. CAPUANI: And I'll take care of it for
12 you. I apologize.

13 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Okay. If there's
14 no more public comment, we are going to adjourn
15 the meeting.

16 MR. WELLER: Can we put this Thompson
17 Elevator letter off? We're supposed to have
18 some discussion about it in our minutes today?

19 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: And we've already
20 made it for the next meeting.

21 MR. GREGORY: You heard me say even loud,
22 I failed to get it done.

23 MR. WELLER: What were we trying to
24 accomplish?

1 IN THE VARIANCE, APPEALS AND
2 EXCEPTIONS PORTION OF THE
3 MEETING.)

4 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Now we'll move it
5 up to the variance and appeals and exceptions.

6 We have John Koschack.

7 MR. KOSCHACK: Yes, sir. I think it's
8 just a "yes" or "no" at this point. I prefer
9 "yes."

10 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Is that it?

11 MR. KOSCHACK: That's it. This was for
12 the Synergy L 8-millimeter ropes non-metallic
13 hydro sheaves.

14 MR. WELLER: Go back and make it easy for
15 me. This is what we passed? You voted on this
16 last time?

17 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: No. We did. No.

18 MR. WELLER: Tell me what you want us to
19 do.

20 MR. KOSCHACK: I sent you books, and they
21 were, I believe, from two variances, but it's
22 my memory -- one was for small diameter steel
23 ropes. You guys approved that last time. You
24 said to me the other ones we needed to look at.

1 So I'm here. And the other one was
2 non-metallic hydro sheaves, com (phonetic)
3 sheaves -- not com sheaves; hydro sheaves. Two
4 more sheaves. And you approved them
5 previously. They've been approved in other
6 systems. There's nothing wrong with this.

7 MR. FENNELL: These are for additional
8 locations?

9 MR. KOSCHACK: This is for a site in
10 Peoria, which Chet is aware of. Where's Chet?

11 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: We've given the
12 "okay" on others.

13 MR. CAPUANI: Yes, we have.

14 MR. GREGORY: I just want to know what is
15 it we're going to do?

16 MR. FENNELL: The Synergy product, which
17 is suspension standard A17.6, as passed and
18 approved here, will require 8-millimeter,
19 plastic sheave.

20 MR. WELLER: So we did already vote on the
21 technology?

22 MR. GREGORY: Right.

23 MR. WELLER: That's what I wanted you to
24 tell me.

1 MR. FENNELL: We voted on the technology.

2 MR. KOSCHACK: On the suspension, but not
3 on the sheaves.

4 MR. WELLER: So this is a technology
5 question, which takes us back to why did we put
6 it off last month?

7 MR. GREGORY: One thing we said we wanted
8 every month, when you have these variances or
9 exceptions, whichever we're calling them, that
10 you have to bring up the next bunch.

11 MR. WELLER: I agree with that.

12 MR. FENNELL: The locations.

13 MR. WELLER: Per location on approved
14 technology. This is technology. Then why did
15 we put it off? Why didn't we address it?

16 MR. KOSCHACK: I was told that the new
17 rules that you require that you have the
18 submittal a month in advance of the decision.

19 MR. WELLER: That's why we put it off?

20 MR. KOSCHACK: Yeah.

21 MR. WELLER: That answers my question.

22 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: A motion?

23 MR. GREGORY: I move we accept it.

24 MR. JIRIK: I accept it.

1 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Any questions?

2 MR. GREGORY: Can you state, John, exactly

3 what we're doing?

4 MR. KOSCHACK: To move the Synergy L

5 installation in Peoria per application.

6 MR. JANUS: That is the East Peoria

7 location at the hotel, correct?

8 MR. KOSCHACK: I believe you're talking

9 about Kankakee.

10 MR. JANUS: Is this the one in Bradley,

11 Illinois, near Kankakee?

12 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yes.

13 MR. GREGORY: I'm moving that we approve

14 the technology, and we do that first, and then

15 we can approve location by location.

16 MR. WELLER: Right.

17 MR. GREGORY: I move that we approve this

18 technology.

19 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Is there a second

20 on the technology?

21 MR. JIRIK: The question is, is that going

22 to require a rules change to approve this?

23 MR. FENNELL: No. It's a exception that's

24 permitted under the code and the rules. Now,

1 we're approving the technology, and then we can
2 approve the application of the technology to
3 each location.

4 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Any questions?

5 (NO RESPONSE.)

6 All those in favor, say "aye."

7 (WHEREUPON THERE WAS A CHORUS OF "AYES.")

8 The "ayes" have it.

9 MR. WELLER: Do you have the specific
10 address?

11 MR. KOSCHACK: I'll submit it in a paper
12 next Monday. It's in Kankakee.

13 MR. JANUS: It's in Bradley outside of
14 Kankakee.

15 MR. KOSCHACK: It's in Bradley? Okay.
16 Chet actually was in our office yesterday. So
17 he probably knows better than I do.

18 MR. GREGORY: Well, where is it, Chet?

19 MR. JANUS: In Bradley, Illinois, close to
20 Kankakee. That's the actual area.

21 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: You guys will get
22 the addresses.

23 MR. KOSCHACK: It's on the application.

24 MR. JANUS: We have the application.

1 MR. GREGORY: The company elevators?

2 I move that we approve that specific
3 address for that one elevator.

4 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Is that a motion
5 made?

6 MR. GREGORY: Yes.

7 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Is there a second?

8 MR. JIRIK: I'll second it.

9 And I'm going to make a suggestion at this
10 point out that we need references by the
11 addresses, where, here on out.

12 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Any other
13 questions?

14 (NO RESPONSE.)

15 All those in favor, say "aye."

16 (WHEREUPON THERE WAS A CHORUS OF "AYES.")

17 The "ayes" have it.

18 No more variances, appeals or exceptions?

19 MR. KOSCHACK: Thank you very much.

20 OTIS ELEVATOR REP: I have a exception
21 request for Katherine Shaw Bethea Hospital in
22 Dixon for a GEN2 elevator.

23 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Would that be an
24 exception or variance?

1 MR. FENNELL: Exception.

2 MR. CAPUANI: Is that submitted already?

3 OTIS ELEVATOR REP: It was submitted in an
4 April 14th overnight package.

5 MR. GREGORY: What's the name of the case?

6 OTIS ELEVATOR REP: It's called Katherine
7 Shaw Bethea Hospital in Dixon.

8 MR. CAPUANI: When you submitted it, did
9 you submit it to Springfield?

10 OTIS ELEVATOR REP: I have it.

11 MR. GREGORY: How many?

12 OTIS ELEVATOR REP: Just one.

13 MR. GREGORY: I move that we approve this
14 installation.

15 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: We've already
16 approved it before. There's been a motion
17 made. Is there a second?

18 MR. HERTSBERG: I'll second it.

19 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Okay. Seconded
20 it.

21 MR. GILLIS: I have a question. I know we
22 have approved the technology, but I've got a
23 question concerning these GEN2s, and I think
24 it's relevant, because the technology was

1 approved based on the presentation that Otis
2 gave as far as their monitoring device, these
3 rubber belts.

4 When you install this monitoring system,
5 you normally install fire clips on the other
6 end of the shackle on these rubber belts. When
7 you install this monitoring system, those fire
8 clips have to come off. Does that jeopardize
9 the safety of that? What exactly do these fire
10 clips do? And when you remove them, does it
11 jeopardize the safety of that elevator?

12 MR. O'DONNELL: No, because you replace it
13 with that other clamp that goes on there.

14 MR. FENNELL: Would you state your name
15 for the court reporter please.

16 MR. O'DONNELL: Dan O'Donnell, Otis
17 Elevator.

18 MR. GILLIS: Those fire clips are on the
19 other side of that elevator for what purpose?
20 If those belts catch fire?

21 MR. GREGORY: They're not fire clips.
22 They're just -- they call them fire clips?

23 MR. GILLIS: Yeah.

24 MR. GREGORY: That's amazing. They're

1 just like if you do any wedge shackle, you have
2 those --

3 MR. O'DONNELL: The retaining clips.

4 MR. GREGORY: Retaining clips. So they're
5 there, so the extra rope is not going out over
6 here.

7 MR. GILLIS: They call them fire clips.

8 MR. GREGORY: They call them fire clips?
9 Bad name.

10 MR. GILLIS: I mean, I know in
11 installation, when they were being installed,
12 Otis made double sure that the installer had
13 these fire clips on the shackles. And when
14 they installed these monitoring devices, I have
15 been told that they were told to remove these
16 fire clips because what it does, it clamps into
17 that belt, and it would short across their
18 cable, just like their monitoring system does.
19 In other words, the monitoring systems, it's my
20 understanding, wouldn't work without these
21 clips over there.

22 But my question is, does the removal of
23 these fire clips, does it jeopardize the safety
24 of that elevator? Because I know that there

1 was one in Florida where the belts caught fire
2 and burnt up. And did it not fall because of
3 these fire clips, or --

4 MR. O'DONNELL: It doesn't fall because
5 there's a steel cable inside.

6 MR. GILLIS: I understand that. But isn't
7 the belt is what gives you traction?

8 MR. O'DONNELL: Right.

9 MR. GILLIS: If you melt the belt off of
10 there, you're not going to get traction with
11 the remaining cables? Right or wrong?

12 MR. O'DONNELL: You still have traction,
13 but you won't have the performance. It will
14 still run on the cables.

15 MR. GILLIS: I'm still not certain on
16 these fire clips, the removal of them
17 jeopardizes the -- I mean, if you call them
18 fire clips, it must have something to do with
19 fire, I presume. Does it jeopardize the safety
20 of that unit?

21 MR. WELLER: Can I make a recommendation?
22 You have some technical people, right?

23 OTIS ELEVATOR REP: Right.

24 MR. WELLER: Can you get your technical

1 people here for the next meeting?

2 OTIS ELEVATOR REP: Yeah.

3 MR. GILLIS: Yeah. I just want to make
4 sure that safety isn't jeopardized, because I
5 think they were granted that -- we approved
6 that technology based on their monitoring. It
7 was at least a concern of mine, because the way
8 this thing is, you can't visually inspect those
9 cables. And then when I found out you have to
10 take these clips off, you know, is it
11 jeopardized?

12 MR. WELLER: We'll see what the technical
13 folks have to say.

14 OTIS ELEVATOR REP: Would a letter
15 suffice, or would you like us to bring someone?

16 MR. WELLER: No. I'm sure you guys -- I'm
17 speaking for you.

18 MR. GILLIS: That's okay.

19 MR. WELLER: Just some kind of technical.
20 I'm sure it's not the first time the question
21 has been asked. Do you guys have a technical
22 advisor to your mechanics, or whoever, to say
23 this is why? Let us see that, and we'll go to
24 the next step.

1 OTIS ELEVATOR REP: Okay. Bring him to
2 the next meeting?

3 MR. WELLER: Okay. Just make sure you
4 bring that up, and we're putting it on you guys
5 to make sure we don't forget.

6 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Thanks, Rod. That
7 was good.

8 We're back to the --

9 MR. CAPUANI: Can you submit that
10 information to me before the meeting?

11 OTIS ELEVATOR REP: Sure.

12 MR. CAPUANI: Thanks.

13 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: We have a motion
14 made, and we'll second it.

15 No more questions, right?

16 (NO RESPONSE.)

17 All those in favor, say "aye."

18 (WHEREUPON THERE WAS A CHORUS OF "AYES.")

19 All those against?

20 MR. GILLIS: Nay.

21 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: The "ayes" have
22 it.

23 One "nay." One "nay"? One "nay."

24 MR. PETERSON: Jeff Peterson with Colonial

1 Elevator.

2 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Can you come up
3 here please.

4 MR. PETERSON: Colonial Elevator, Jeff
5 Peterson.

6 Yeah, this is an exception. It's not the
7 technology for small ropes. It's actually
8 location.

9 Last month, I had actually submitted this
10 to Chet Janus. There was five locations -- six
11 elevators, which were submitted last month,
12 checks for each elevator. Actually, I had one
13 more that I was going to submit today if it
14 needed to be approved next month. I was told
15 to get back this month. So if there's a
16 specific -- if there's a different process in
17 place that you want me to send these and how
18 many copies and that stuff, I'd be more than
19 glad to do that.

20 MR. GREGORY: We already approved the
21 technology.

22 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Do you want that
23 sent anywhere?

24 MR. CAPUANI: The address is going to

1 change, the Chicago address, shortly. So to
2 expedite it, I would send everything to the
3 Chicago office from now on.

4 MR. PETERSON: Just the one copy with the
5 variance and the check, and that's it? Or did
6 you need multi copies?

7 MR. CAPUANI: One.

8 MR. GREGORY: Because we already approved
9 the technology.

10 MR. PETERSON: Okay.

11 MR. GREGORY: So, therefore, what we're
12 trying to track is the location of these in
13 case something goes wrong.

14 MR. PETERSON: Okay.

15 MR. GREGORY: So that means one copy to
16 him wherever he wants it sent to. The back
17 yard by the barbecue pit next to the beer case.

18 MR. WELLER: Can we go ahead and accept
19 this, so we can move on, so he doesn't have to
20 keep bringing this to the next meeting?

21 MR. CAPUANI: Do you have the copy with
22 you?

23 MR. PETERSON: Yes.

24 MR. JANUS: I've got them here.

1 MR. GREGORY: I second it.

2 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: There's been a
3 motion made and seconded. All those in favor,
4 say "aye."

5 (WHEREUPON THERE WAS A CHORUS OF "AYES.")

6 All those against?

7 (NO RESPONSE.)

8 The "ayes" have it.

9 Reverend David Bailey?

10 REVEREND BAILEY: I'm Reverend Bailey, and
11 I submitted a variance request form, a variance
12 for A18.1, which limits the size of a platform
13 of a lift of 18 square feet. We're asking for
14 a variance to install a platform on the lift of
15 39 by 84. It's going to be installed in a
16 church, and we would like to be able to use it
17 for caskets when we have funerals at the
18 church, in addition to having handicapped
19 accessibility.

20 I have a letter here, which I could pass
21 around, from the manufacturer of the lift that
22 says that the larger lifts are designed and
23 manufactured to comply with all the applicable
24 requirements, and the unit meets all the

1 requirement safety factors of the electrical
2 controller. The electrical controller is UL
3 listed, and the capacity is 750 pounds, which
4 is the maximum of A18.

5 And I also have pictures of the members of
6 the congregation and the staff of the church if
7 you're interested in seeing the white-haired
8 people and the conditions of them, and the
9 number of steps that we have entering the
10 building.

11 So basically that's all we're doing is
12 asking for a variance for the size of the
13 platform of the lift.

14 MR. WELLER: Who is the manufacturer of
15 it?

16 REVEREND BAILEY: The manufacturer is
17 National Wheel-O-Vator.

18 MR. WELLER: Who is the installer?

19 REVEREND BAILEY: The installer that we're
20 working with is Lifts of Illinois.

21 MR. GREGORY: Where is your location?

22 REVEREND BAILEY: The location of the
23 church is 323 Main Street, Hooppole,
24 H-O-O-P-P-O-L-E, Illinois.

1 MR. WELLER: What was the name of the firm
2 again?

3 REVEREND BAILEY: Lifts of Illinois.

4 MR. WELLER: And they are an Illinois
5 licensed installer?

6 REVEREND BAILEY: There's representatives
7 here also from the company.

8 MR. GREGORY: And the Lifts of
9 Illinois -- maybe they could explain. I don't
10 have anything on my computer. Maybe they could
11 explain the basis for going to 39 by 84 and not
12 increasing the load capacity, because, in
13 general, platform size is what determines
14 weight and capacity, so that you don't get too
15 many people on it and overload it and create a
16 huge problem. So if you made this platform
17 bigger -- you know, maybe the guys from Lifts
18 of Illinois would know. What is the normal
19 maximum size for an A18.1 for a 750-pound lift?

20 Where are you guys?

21 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Would one of you
22 like to come up here and address the Board?

23 MR. HILTON: Jeremy Hilton, Lifts of
24 Illinois.

1 The standard platform is 18 square feet,
2 and we're going to make it up to 22 and
3 3-quarter square feet. And that's per national
4 elevators, what they've done and installed in
5 other states with variances with the local
6 jurisdictions. So that's just what we are
7 wanting to do for this church, to be able to
8 haul caskets up and down with these.

9 MR. GREGORY: My concern -- and we went
10 through this on the A17 committee in a great
11 deal of detail with Ruva Elevators. Drawing
12 pictures of, you know, round people like me or
13 skinny people like Kathy all standing there,
14 and how many, you know, are you going to fit in
15 there? And what weight load capacity are you
16 going to have? So if you increase the platform
17 size, that means you're going to be able to get
18 more people on there. The airlines figure
19 passengers are a hundred seventy-five pounds.
20 Historically, the elevator code figured they
21 were a hundred sixty pounds. You know, I
22 can -- except for you and me -- or you might be
23 in the hundred sixty pound range.

24 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: I wish.

1 MR. GREGORY: But not me. So I mean, I'm
2 concerned if you don't upgrade the load
3 carrying capacity when you make the platform
4 bigger. It's the same reason we don't let
5 approved carrying people on freight elevators.
6 One of the same reasons is the freight elevator
7 has a much bigger platform. You can squeeze a
8 whole lot of people in, and now all of a sudden
9 you've got overload.

10 REVEREND BAILEY: We note in the letter
11 from National Wheel-O-Vator, we also modify the
12 machine tower and platform frame to increase
13 the strength and add stability.

14 There's also a note from my nephew, who is
15 an undertaker, who says that capacity of
16 a -- the size of a casket is usually 6 1/2 feet
17 long and roughly 600 pounds. So that's still
18 under -- there wouldn't be people riding with
19 the casket. It would just be lifting the
20 casket up. And you're also talking about if we
21 had a hundred people in church, and 25 of them
22 decide to get on the lift at the same time,
23 that it would be more than 750. Our average
24 attendance is about 35 on a Sunday. And the

1 majority of them are not going to be on the
2 lift, you know, at the same time.

3 MR. WELLER: I think you've done
4 everything right, and I think you understand
5 our concern about overloading.

6 MR. GREGORY: It's a 26 percent increase
7 in platform size. The A18 standards, which
8 come out of A17, when it was broken apart, they
9 were based on platform size, and it was based
10 on load capacity and was based on platform
11 size. And, you know, we went from 500 pounds
12 with a 15 square feet platform size to 750
13 pounds with 18 square foot platform size. And
14 now you're asking for 22 and 3 quarters square
15 feet. I'd like to see at least a 25 percent
16 rated capacity of that thing, or I think we're
17 just getting into a bad situation. You know,
18 they make the tower stronger because -- the
19 tower is one side, right?

20 MR. HILTON: Right.

21 MR. GREGORY: It's going to want to tip
22 over when you fasten it to the wall, but you've
23 got something that's -- you know, it needs the
24 strength. But, to me, making it bigger -- I

1 don't know how many churches everybody goes
2 into, but the reality is that most of the
3 churches, the congregation is older than
4 younger. And so there's a greater likelihood
5 that all these old people, like me, are going
6 to want to get on this platform. And, John,
7 he'll get on it, too.

8 MR. WELLER: I disagree. I think you're
9 looking at seven steps. We're talking about
10 Sunday morning worship. I mean, I really
11 appreciate your concerns about the safety.

12 How much -- can I just ask kind of a
13 theory or question? How much more money are we
14 talking about to meet Dick's request of having
15 like a more load --

16 MR. HILTON: I'm not real sure, but I
17 could have the manufacturer today -- they could
18 probably find it, document something and come
19 up with it.

20 MR. WELLER: Excuse my geography. Where
21 is Hooppole?

22 REVEREND BAILEY: People that live within
23 5 miles don't know where it's at. It's about
24 20 miles north of Kewanee.

1 MR. WELLER: You're fairly close to
2 Chicago.

3 REVEREND BAILEY: 120 miles south of it.
4 We're close to the Quad City area. Moline, you
5 know, it's about 40 miles west of us.

6 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Can you check with
7 their engineers about raising the capacity?

8 MR. HILTON: Okay.

9 MR. GREGORY: Is there a rope?

10 MR. HILTON: An acme screw.

11 MR. GREGORY: I would be concerned with
12 the acme screw, that it would have the strength
13 to withstand the extra load. The thing to me,
14 it's got to be rated at 750 pounds times a
15 hundred twenty-six percent. Is the acme
16 screw -- I mean, you know, you can make an acme
17 screw to do that. That's not rocket science.

18 MR. WELLER: I think you're hearing some
19 legitimate safety concerns. It's in our best
20 interests to see if we can get those concerns
21 addressed. I think you've got our support. We
22 want to help you to do something. Why don't we
23 see if we can.

24 MR. GREGORY: Essentially it's got to be

1 rated at about a thousand pounds, 945 pounds.
2 So make a round number. It ought to be rated
3 at a thousand pounds. I mean, I can
4 understand, you know, if you've got these steps
5 to carry the caskets down. That's not
6 convenient. But sympathy and all that, I have
7 enough accident cases involving these A18
8 things that I'd be worried. That's all. You
9 think you could get that information for us at
10 the next meeting?

11 REVEREND BAILEY: Yes.

12 MR. WELLER: Is 30 days going to put an
13 inconvenience on your congregation?

14 REVEREND BAILEY: I don't have anybody in
15 hospice right now. No.

16 MR. WELLER: If you don't mind, let's see
17 what the manufacturer can come up with, and I'm
18 a little bit more leaning towards the safety
19 side.

20 REVEREND BAILEY: So give us more than
21 945? Thousand?

22 MR. GREGORY: No, a thousand. Just give
23 it a round number. You know, I don't know. We
24 can give it consideration as a one-shot deal.

1 There was a lot of thought that went into the
2 A18 and why those numbers came out.

3 MR. WELLER: Why don't you get Bob the
4 information. If you can make the next meeting,
5 great. If not, we'll carry -- you know, I'll
6 make it a point to see what we can do here. If
7 you can make the next meeting, it will be
8 great, but if you can't, I understand. He'd
9 like to see 950 pounds.

10 MR. GREGORY: Or a thousand.

11 MR. WELLER: And then we'll see if it's an
12 exorbitant cost that you guys could absorb.

13 MR. HILTON: And get it to Bob's office
14 and circulate it?

15 MR. WELLER: And you should know by the
16 next meeting, and I'll make the motion if
17 you're not here.

18 MR. GREGORY: The next meeting is in
19 Chicago. So it would be easier to come down
20 39, or it would be easier to go across --

21 REVEREND BAILEY: We'll come down 55.

22 MR. WELLER: I'll make the motion that you
23 don't have to be there. If you can make the
24 extra cost the 950 pounds is going to make, you

1 won't have to be here.

2 REVEREND BAILEY: Thank you.

3 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Is there any more
4 variance or appeals or exceptions? Yes?

5 MR. SACKS: My name is Greg Sacks with
6 Superior Elevator Inspections, and I'm
7 representing Macon County Conservation
8 District. They had mailed in a check and the
9 location in the middle or early part of March,
10 and I don't know if it's been received or not.
11 It's the Governor Oglesby Mansion in Decatur.
12 It's the Macon County Conservation District.

13 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Bob?

14 MR. CAPUANI: Was it submitted to our
15 Springfield office?

16 MR. JANUS: Was it sent as a variance?

17 MR. SACKS: It was sent as a variance.

18 MR. AUBIN: We don't have it.

19 MR. JANUS: I can double check, but I
20 haven't received that.

21 MR. SACKS: I'll give you a copy of it.

22 MR. JANUS: Did they submit a check with
23 it?

24 MR. SACKS: They did.

1 MR. JANUS: I'll go look. I don't
2 remember that at all.

3 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Do you have some
4 paperwork?

5 MR. SACKS: This is the Governor Oglesby
6 Mansion in Decatur. It was formally the
7 governor's residence many years ago. It is now
8 a museum. They have a residential elevator
9 installed in the entry foyer. Now, this
10 elevator does meet the A17.3 code for private
11 residence elevators. It has an unenclosed
12 lower landing, but it does have an undercar
13 safety sensor.

14 So the variance request, what they would
15 like to do is construct a lower landing wall
16 with a door and inner lock and be able to use
17 this elevator as it's installed with the
18 addition of this wall and inner lock door.

19 MR. CAPUANI: Let me get this. It's
20 running right now?

21 MR. SACKS: Correct. Well, actually, they
22 have it shut off.

23 MR. CAPUANI: But there's no door on the
24 lower landing?

1 MR. SACKS: That's correct.

2 MR. CAPUANI: I can just walk in?

3 MR. SACKS: Correct.

4 MR. CAPUANI: And it's running right now?

5 MR. SACKS: They actually have it shut
6 off, but it's capable of running.

7 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: It sounds like the
8 problem we had before with the John Thompson.

9 MR. SACKS: Now, this is a private
10 residence -- there's a provision in the code
11 that allows that, but this is no longer a
12 private residence.

13 MR. CAPUANI: So the public has access to
14 it?

15 MR. SACKS: The public has access to it.

16 MR. HERTSBERG: It would only be used for
17 people who have disabilities?

18 MR. SACKS: Correct.

19 MR. HERTSBERG: Would it be possible that
20 they be supervised?

21 MR. SACKS: Yes. They actually do have
22 key locks on the unit.

23 MR. WELLER: So somebody would physically
24 have to turn the elevators on?

1 MR. SACKS: That's correct.

2 MR. WELLER: Allow the person to enter and
3 then return the elevator back?

4 MR. SACKS: Correct.

5 MR. CAPUANI: But someone could be on that
6 landing while the elevator is running, right?

7 MR. SACKS: Right. That's what they're
8 asking about. They want to construct a wall
9 with a door and an inner lock to prevent that,
10 but you still have the case of a residential
11 elevator being installed in a public building.
12 So I've advised them of the situation. They
13 have right now -- and that's why they wanted to
14 come up with the idea of constructing a wall on
15 the lower level.

16 MR. WELLER: So on the second floor,
17 there's a door?

18 MR. SACKS: That's correct.

19 MR. WELLER: It has to be key activated
20 for the elevator to move from the first floor
21 to the second? You have to physically put a
22 key on it and move? So the only time it would
23 ever be dangerous is if somebody rode the
24 elevator up. Does it automatically return to

1 the first floor?

2 MR. SACKS: It does not.

3 MR. GREGORY: Is there a door -- there's
4 two doors?

5 MR. SACKS: There is a door at the upper
6 landing with an inner lock.

7 MR. CAPUANI: Is there a door at the first
8 landing, the second landing, the lower landing?

9 MR. SACKS: No. It's only two stops.
10 Upper landing has a door and an inner lock.
11 The lower landing is totally open.

12 MR. CAPUANI: There's no door at the lower
13 landing?

14 MR. WELLER: What's the ability to put an
15 automatic return on that?

16 MR. GREGORY: That isn't the issue.

17 MR. CAPUANI: The issue is the elevator
18 cannot run right now.

19 MR. SACKS: Correct. And they do have it
20 out of service right now.

21 MR. CAPUANI: Is it locked out? Is this
22 elevator locked out? Can you give Chet Janus
23 the address? We will lock it out. This
24 elevator cannot run in this condition.

1 MR. SACKS: Yes. And I believe they have
2 it locked out.

3 MR. JANUS: I didn't hear the whole thing.

4 MR. CAPUANI: If an elevator runs without
5 a first floor door. Chet will visit it.

6 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: We'll get back to
7 this at the next meeting.

8 MR. CAPUANI: I think we need to put a
9 door on it. You plan on putting a regular
10 elevator door?

11 MR. SACKS: Well, what they are looking at
12 doing is constructing a wall out of tube steel
13 and expanded metal with very small openings and
14 an inner lock. The reason you can't construct
15 a typical frame with drywall is because the
16 distance, the way it's in the foyer. You walk
17 in, and it's over to the left, and there's just
18 not room between the doorway, between the
19 elevators and the edge of the door frame to
20 allow that wall. You could use, say, a 1-inch
21 tube steel with expanded metal covering.

22 MR. GREGORY: Is this building considered
23 fire-resistive construction?

24 MR. SACKS: I don't believe so.

1 MR. GREGORY: I mean, you couldn't put
2 that in because it was considered
3 fire-restrictive construction because you
4 wouldn't have a fire rating? Being in the fire
5 marshal's office, I think we should be thinking
6 about that. Is it sprinklered?

7 MR. SACKS: No.

8 MR. WELLER: That's a building code issue.

9 MR. GREGORY: I understand.

10 MR. WELLER: Here you've got a situation
11 where it's in our -- it's in the public's best
12 interest to have an elevator that can carry
13 people who otherwise couldn't go to the
14 facility. To me, it is acceptable to some
15 solution that --

16 MR. CAPUANI: The solution right now is to
17 lock it out. This is potential for an
18 accident, a high potential for an accident. It
19 needs to be locked out right now. And it's up
20 to the Board to bring the variance.

21 MR. SACKS: The variance is for it to
22 remain as installed with the addition of a
23 lower landing door and wall.

24 MR. WELLER: If Chet or one of your team

1 has time, can they go out there and look at
2 that and see?

3 MR. CAPUANI: Chet will go out and lock
4 the elevator up.

5 MR. GREGORY: Whose residential elevator
6 is it?

7 MR. SACKS: It's a Sedgwick.

8 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: At the next
9 meeting, can we have a report from Chet on what
10 they're going to do here? Would that be a
11 problem to wait until the next meeting?

12 MR. SACKS: I don't believe so.

13 MR. CAPUANI: Do you have a drawing or
14 something that was submitted by an architect on
15 what's your plan and how you're going to do
16 this door?

17 MR. SACKS: Not yet. They were wanting to
18 see if they can get a variance on it, and then
19 at that point, work with the architect to come
20 up with the design.

21 MR. CAPUANI: Chet will take some pictures
22 out there and lock the conveyance out.

23 MR. GREGORY: I mean, Sedgwick has been
24 gone for a long time.

1 MR. SACKS: Very old.

2 MR. GREGORY: Yes. It's going to be
3 interesting getting people who can work on that
4 elevator and can fix it.

5 MR. CAPUANI: All right. Chet Janus will
6 go out there.

7 MR. SACKS: Okay. Can I get a copy of
8 what I gave you?

9 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Sure. I'm sorry.

10 MR. CAPUANI: We'll see you after the
11 meeting.

12 MR. SACKS: Okay. Thanks.

13 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Is there anything
14 more? Variances, exceptions, appeals?

15 (NO RESPONSE.)

16 Is there a move to adjourn?

17 MR. GREGORY: I have a problem with the
18 Thursday, the May 8th meeting.

19 MR. CAPUANI: We cannot change that.

20 MR. GREGORY: I understand. Just realize
21 I will not be there. I just didn't want to
22 hide something.

23 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: Is there a motion
24 to adjourn?

1 MR. JIRIK: I do.

2 MR. GREGORY: I second it.

3 CHAIRMAN CHRISTIANSEN: All those in
4 favor, say "aye."

5 (WHEREUPON THERE WAS A CHORUS OF "AYES.")

6 The "ayes" have it. Thank you.

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8 [MEETING WAS ADJOURNED.]

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NOTARIAL CERTIFICATE

I, ANN MARIE HOLLO, a Certified Shorthand Reporter for the State of Illinois, CSR# 084-003476, and a duly commissioned Notary Public within and for the State of Illinois, do hereby certify that there came before me at the offices of Illinois State Fire Marshal, 1035 Stevenson Drive, Springfield, Illinois,

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which was by me reduced to writing; and this transcript is a true and correct record of the proceeding.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal on April 25, 2008.

My commission expires April 5, 2010.

Notary Public

