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1 P R O C E E D I N G S
2 (Agenda items commenced at 9:40 a.m.)

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4 GOVERNOR CRIST: And our first agenda item is
5 Department of Law Enforcement. Commissioner Bailey,
6 good morning, sir.

7 MR. BAILEY: Good morning again. We have two
8 items on the agenda this morning. First is the minutes
9 of the June 12 Cabinet meeting.

10 ATTORNEY GENERAL McCOLLUM: I move the minutes be
11 approved.

12 CFO SINK: Second.

13 GOVERNOR CRIST: Moved and seconded. Show them
14 approved without objection.

15 MR. BAILEY: The second item is our annual report
16 for '06-'07 and contracts over \$100,000 for the fourth
17 quarter. You have in front of you a summary
18 performance report.

19 And if I could share with you, buried in those
20 figures and statistics are several key accomplishments
21 for the past year. In '06-'07 we announced that
22 Florida's index crime rate had reached a 36-year low
23 and had dropped one percent from 2005.

24 FDLE accepted the triple crown of accreditation.
25 The whole Department was accredited by State of Florida

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1 accreditation. The Department was accredited by the
2 international accrediting body. And our crime
3 laboratory system, including an independent
4 accreditation for each lab, received re-accreditations.

5 We established a ten-point strategy to improve the
6 performance of our laboratory system, which resulted in
7 a 60 percent drop in our backlog and a quarter drop in
8 our DNA backlog.

9 We partnered with the Department of Corrections to
10 launch Rapid ID, to comply with the Jessica Lunsford
11 Act. And that is allowing sheriffs and probation
12 officers to get immediate identifications for
13 probationers and sexual offenders and predators. And
14 that system is now being field tested by the Highway
15 Patrol.

16 We developed an e-mail alert system to provide
17 safety information to employees of the Capitol complex.
18 We unveiled Florida's Unidentified Initiative, which is
19 a joint project between the medical examiners and our
20 Missing Children Information Clearinghouse, which to
21 date has identified 14 previously unidentified
22 deceased.

23 In partnership with General McCollum's office and
24 local law enforcement, we arrested 126 people on
25 charges involving online enticement of minors and child

1 pornography in Operation Eviction.

2 We unveiled a Spanish translation of our sexual
3 offender predator Web sites. And we worked in
4 partnership with the Department of Children & Families
5 and the FBI to give DCF access to the National Crime
6 Information Center, the first of any state to do that
7 for the child abuse investigators.

8 And as a task force lead on the bandaid bandit
9 robberies, we arrested two people who had committed 39
10 bank robberies over a six-year period in nine counties
11 in our state.

12 We think we had a successful year, and I'll be
13 happy to entertain any of your questions.

14 GOVERNOR CRIST: General?

15 ATTORNEY GENERAL McCOLLUM: I don't have a
16 question, Jerry, but I just want to commend you for a
17 number of these items. I know we worked together
18 really well on a number of cases. You pointed out some
19 of them. But the one in here that got my attention is
20 your ability, you say, to cut the laboratory backlog by
21 60 percent.

22 I know when I came to office, when you and I first
23 talked, that was the number one item on your agenda and
24 it was one of concern to so many in the law enforcement
25 community in the state. So the lab that FDLE has is

1 very important. This report is excellent for any
2 number of reasons, but this one I particularly commend
3 you for.

4 MR. BAILEY: Thank you. We're proud of what we've
5 done there. And another thing, we've been selected as
6 one of five states to sit on a task force created by
7 the National Governors' Association to come up with
8 best practices in our laboratory system, especially in
9 the DNA/biology field.

10 ATTORNEY GENERAL McCOLLUM: Thank you. Appreciate
11 it.

12 GOVERNOR CRIST: Thank you, General.

13 CFO SINK: Governor.

14 GOVERNOR CRIST: CFO.

15 CFO SINK: I just wanted to mention that I did
16 have an opportunity to look over your proposed cuts,
17 and I'm hoping you won't have to take any.

18 MR. BAILEY: Yes. Some of those are painful. And
19 we had to be very careful not to provide cuts that
20 looked like Washington Monument cuts, because if you
21 looked at those 33 either cuts or I guess reductions,
22 you'll see that any and all of those have a constituent
23 somewhere that is going to hurt from those cuts.

24 We did not do that in a Tallahassee vacuum. We
25 enlisted our regional leadership and Tallahassee

1 leadership, and they were able, I think, to take off
2 their parochial hats, and we have a good overall FDLE
3 product for you there. Some of them hurt if they come
4 to be and it will be a reduction in services, but it's
5 a good, honest effort to show you where we think the
6 cuts should be made should we have to do that.

7 CFO SINK: Thank you.

8 GOVERNOR CRIST: Thank you very much.

9 Commissioner, we commend you for your efforts.

10 MR. BAILEY: Thank you.

11 GOVERNOR CRIST: Is there a motion on Item 2?

12 ATTORNEY GENERAL McCOLLUM: So moved.

13 CFO SINK: Second.

14 GOVERNOR CRIST: Moved and seconded. Show it
15 approved without objection.

16 MR. BAILEY: Thank you.

17 GOVERNOR CRIST: Thank you.

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1 GOVERNOR CRIST: Board of Trustees. Secretary
2 Sole, one of the busiest guys in state government.
3 Good morning, Secretary.

4 MR. SOLE: Good morning, Governor. Good morning,
5 Cabinet members. I've got four items for you this
6 morning. Item Number 1 is an option agreement to
7 acquire 34.88 acres within the Marjorie Harris Carr
8 Cross Florida Greenway. This is known as the Drake
9 Addition in Marion County. The purchase price is
10 \$865,000, which is 99 percent of the approved value.

11 CFO SINK: Move it.

12 ATTORNEY GENERAL McCOLLUM: Second.

13 GOVERNOR CRIST: Moved and seconded. Show it
14 approved without objection.

15 MR. SOLE: Thank you. Item Number 2 is an option
16 agreement to require a perpetual conservation easement
17 over 1,432 acres within the Osceola Pines Savannas
18 Florida Forever Project. This is in Osceola County,
19 and we're acquiring it from the William J. Broussard
20 Revocable Trust and the Allen Broussard Conservancy,
21 which is a nonprofit Florida corporation.

22 The purchase price is \$7.287 million, which is 79
23 percent of the appraised value. And this purchasing of
24 the conservation agreement will put an easement over
25 the property which will preserve an essential land

1 connection between the Three Lakes Wildlife Management
2 Area, as well as the Bull Creek and Triple N Ranch
3 Wildlife Management Area.

4 COMMISSIONER BRONSON: Motion on Item 2 for
5 approval.

6 CFO SINK: Second.

7 MR. SOLE: I have five speakers that wish to speak
8 in support of this, Governor.

9 GOVERNOR CRIST: In support?

10 MR. SOLE: Yes, sir.

11 GOVERNOR CRIST: The motion is in support.
12 They're welcome to speak if they want, but there's an
13 expression in sales --

14 MR. SOLE: I think we'll continue with the current
15 motion, Governor.

16 GOVERNOR CRIST: Well, we believe in free speech.
17 So if you want to speak, you're more than welcome.
18 CFO.

19 CFO SINK: Secretary, is Dr. Broussard here?

20 MR. SOLE: Yes, ma'am.

21 CFO SINK: Governor, if it's --

22 GOVERNOR CRIST: We won't force him, but if he
23 wants to, he's welcome.

24 CFO SINK: I would personally like to enable him
25 to --

1 GOVERNOR CRIST: The CFO is making a personal
2 plea. I would honor it, if I were you.

3 CFO SINK: Well, he's got some minutes for his
4 side. I think it's -- I'd love to hear him speak about
5 it.

6 GOVERNOR CRIST: Thank you, Mr. Broussard, and
7 Mrs., I assume.

8 MR. BROUSSARD: Governor, members of the Cabinet,
9 we appreciate being here, appreciate the opportunity to
10 speak. Excuse me. I'm hoarse today. This is my wife
11 Margaret.

12 GOVERNOR CRIST: Hello, Margaret.

13 MR. BROUSSARD: A little brief history. I'm a
14 tenth generation cattleman. My direct ancestor, Joseph
15 Broussard, first registered the family brand in
16 Louisiana in 1767, nine years before the Declaration of
17 Independence, and in that same year signed the first
18 recorded contract in Louisiana for supplying beef. In
19 this case it was to the French Army. And we've
20 continued since that time.

21 We came to Florida in 1967, and my father had told
22 me as a young child, if you really like the cattle
23 business, you really need to get a day job to support
24 the cows. So that's what I did. I went on to medical
25 school.

1 And we came to Florida largely because Margaret is
2 a native of Florida, not many in our age group. So we
3 came here in '67. We had three girls and one boy. And
4 in 1969 we purchased part of the Crescent J Ranch, and
5 that's on the screen. It's outlined in yellow.

6 And our son, Allen, grew up outdoors on the
7 Crescent J Ranch. He was a naturalist right from the
8 time he could start to talk and walk, interested in
9 nature and things that were going on outside.

10 He went on to get a degree in wildlife biology and
11 then was working on his Ph.D. in wildlife biology and
12 ecology when he died of complications from treatment of
13 Hodgkin's disease.

14 Shortly before he died I was visiting him in the
15 hospital in St. Louis, and we started talking about the
16 property just south of the Crescent J Ranch -- and
17 Margaret will be pointing to it, it's right in that
18 area -- that had been saved in a way because it was a
19 land scam, been sold off in one and a quarter and two
20 and a half acre lots to unsuspecting buyers all over
21 the United States.

22 And he recognized the ecological value of that
23 property. I had not. And he really changed my way of
24 thinking about how important natural areas were. And
25 on that day, which was on Thanksgiving in 1989, I

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1 promised him that I would do the best I could to
2 preserve that land.

3 And after he died, we set aside a memorial fund in
4 his name with the Nature Conservancy, trying to work on
5 this project. TNC was not real enthusiastic about it
6 because of so many owners and so many small plots.
7 They convinced us to use the memorial fund we had set
8 aside in his name to acquire land in Polk County, which
9 has now become the Allen David Broussard Catfish Creek
10 State Preserve.

11 But after we had done that, we realized that's not
12 what we promised Allen. So in 1990 we, again with the
13 help of the Nature Conservancy, we set up a nonprofit
14 corporation in his name and started buying lots in
15 1990. And we're still buying lots. We have close to
16 90 percent of it now.

17 And there's a piece of this that is in the
18 easement that you're talking about this morning. It's
19 the crosshatch yellow, that's a piece of it. That 202
20 acres was purchased from a single owner. So that's why
21 it's in one piece there.

22 It's now a summer camp for children between the
23 age of 9 and 15 and has been very successful. It's a
24 one-week-at-a-time camp, teach them horsemanship and
25 natural systems, and it's been very successful.

1 The Allen David Broussard Conservancy is going to
2 become the owner of the fee simple value of Crescent J
3 Ranch after this easement. And so it's going to be --
4 it's going to survive for a long time. We had it well
5 endowed, and that organization will survive.

6 We do -- we have public access in the form of
7 tours. Last year we had about 18,000 visitors. We
8 have at least 4,500 school children every year that
9 come for their outings to learn something about the
10 Florida outdoors.

11 We heavily subsidize this operation because it
12 doesn't come close to paying its own expenses. But the
13 conservancy's mission involves conservation, education,
14 preservation of our heritage of ranching. And is that
15 it? She can usually remember what I forget.

16 GOVERNOR CRIST: We should let her speak.

17 MR. BROUSSARD: Another part of the ranching side,
18 which is where most of the easement is, we have become
19 very interested in preserving the Cracker cow, which
20 came very close to disappearing in Florida.

21 Commissioner --

22 CFO SINK: Conner.

23 MR. BROUSSARD: -- Conner, Doyle Conner started
24 the program of saving the breed in the eighties, and we
25 became interested in buying our first few cows and a

1 bull in 1989. We now have the largest herd in
2 existence of those cattle. And we're very serious
3 about saving that breed as part of the living history
4 of Florida.

5 The same is true for the horse. The horse and the
6 cow were first brought here by Ponce de Leon in 1521.
7 And they ran feral in Florida until the fifties really.
8 Is that right, Commissioner Bronson? It was in the
9 fifties that the last of them were rounded up.

10 And we also have the largest herd of horses. So
11 we're doing our best to save that part of Florida
12 history. And that's what the Crescent J Ranch will be
13 devoted to.

14 We also have a herd of Charlet cattle, and that's
15 a long, complicated story. But those cattle are the
16 first full-blood females that came into the United
17 States, were in that herd. They were imported by my
18 father. They came from Mexico. And we consider it the
19 foundation herd for Charlet in North America. And
20 we're trying to save that as part of history.

21 So, Margaret, do you want to say a couple of
22 things? What did I leave out?

23 MS. BROUSSARD: I don't think you left out very
24 much. But I would like to say that a very enjoyable
25 part of my participation in this is getting to go out

1 and speak to groups. And many of them know almost
2 nothing about Florida history, and in particular they
3 know nothing about the Spanish history and the history
4 of the cattle and the horses, and they're very
5 interested in that.

6 And even if they don't come out to see the
7 Crescent J Ranch themselves, they can see pictures of
8 those interesting looking cattle and horses and learn a
9 little bit more than they ever dreamed possible about
10 Florida history. Also the school children get this
11 from our guides, and we help to educate them that way.

12 MR. BROUSSARD: This is where the Florida Trail
13 goes through the property. The Florida Trail has a
14 contract with us. And to give you an idea of what's
15 out there, this picture was taken nine days ago on that
16 property. And right in the same location, this
17 picture, there were actually ten bucks there like that
18 right around there. That's what we're doing.

19 COMMISSIONER BRONSON: Now you're going to have to
20 increase law enforcement. All the poachers are going
21 to be out there.

22 MR. BROUSSARD: By the way, we have a wildlife
23 officer who lives on the property. He rents the house
24 there.

25 ATTORNEY GENERAL McCOLLUM: Dr. Broussard --

1 Governor, if I might.

2 GOVERNOR CRIST: Please, General.

3 ATTORNEY GENERAL McCOLLUM: I've got to say, I
4 grew up on a Florida ranch and grew up all around
5 cattle all my life, and I'm a member of the Florida
6 Trail Association. I've never been to your property.
7 I'm going to have to come hike that trail through
8 there, that's for sure.

9 CFO SINK: We need to have a field trip.

10 ATTORNEY GENERAL McCOLLUM: That sounds like a
11 great idea.

12 COMMISSIONER BRONSON: Governor, if I could.

13 GOVERNOR CRIST: Commissioner.

14 COMMISSIONER BRONSON: You know, the -- and I've
15 got to thank Dr. Broussard and Ms. Broussard for all
16 the -- Margaret -- for all the work that they've done.
17 They've been a long time trying to get this set up and
18 done.

19 I think educational opportunities are going to be
20 just tremendous for people all over the state and even
21 people visiting from around the world that want to see
22 what native terrain looks like. They also have put in
23 a lot of work putting in native plant species and
24 promoting native plant species, as well as non-game
25 species as well to be viewed by the public.

1 But I think the characteristic of promoting and
2 keeping the genetic characteristics of the Andalusian
3 cattle and horses that the Spanish brought over here
4 will be a heritage that will go on a lot longer than
5 all of us sitting here, as time goes on.

6 I'd like to thank you for all your hard work. And
7 this gentleman and his wife have put in a lot of their
8 own personal finances to get this done, way above and
9 beyond what the State is acquiring here today. And I
10 want to make sure everybody knows that.

11 CFO SINK: And, Governor, I also see some
12 representatives from the Nature Conservancy in the
13 audience, and Dr. Broussard has mentioned the
14 involvement that this nonprofit organization has had,
15 to kind of keep the glue together in the early years.
16 So I want to thank them also.

17 GOVERNOR CRIST: Wonderful. Doctor, thank you
18 very much for being here. Thank you, Mrs. Broussard.
19 I'm happy to entertain a motion.

20 CFO SINK: Move it.

21 COMMISSIONER BRONSON: Second.

22 GOVERNOR CRIST: Moved and seconded. Show it
23 approved without objection.

24 MR. SOLE: Thank you. Item Number 3 is on behalf
25 of the Island Town Yacht Club, LLC. This is an

1 application for a five-year sovereignty submerged lands
2 lease containing approximately 55,000 square feet for a
3 104-slip private residential multifamily docking
4 facility.

5 It's important to note that 76 of those slips are
6 over sovereignty submerged lands. The others are over
7 upland cut. The docking facility will be for the
8 exclusive use of the upland residents and will
9 accommodate private residential vessels ranging from 24
10 to 40 feet long, with a maximum draft of two feet,
11 based upon conditions in the area.

12 GOVERNOR CRIST: Very good. Any questions or a
13 motion?

14 ATTORNEY GENERAL McCOLLUM: Move the project.

15 COMMISSIONER BRONSON: Second.

16 GOVERNOR CRIST: Moved and seconded.

17 CFO SINK: Governor, I have a comment.

18 GOVERNOR CRIST: Yes, CFO.

19 CFO SINK: I'm sure you're not surprised about
20 this. This is another example of a situation in which
21 a private developer is involved where this particular
22 project doesn't provide any public access to our
23 waterways.

24 And let me just review the economics. Seventy-six
25 slips. We're leasing the people's land. We have gone

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1 back and determined that slips in this area are going
2 for as much as \$300,000 per slip, but I decided to be
3 conservative and put a 200,000 value on these slips.
4 That's 15 and a half million dollars, for which the
5 State is going to receive less than a million dollars.

6 And I continue to believe this is bad economics
7 for our state. And we are actually -- if this is
8 approved this morning, a private developer will be able
9 to -- will be pocketing approximately \$14 million in
10 profits.

11 You'll remember that we had a similar issue come
12 up before, and Secretary Sole said that we would
13 undertake a rulemaking process to reevaluate the value
14 that the people of the state get as a result of leasing
15 our lands out. And it's my understanding that this
16 rulemaking could take as much as a year.

17 So I continue to believe that this is not a good
18 way to manage our state's property and that we are not
19 getting the correct share of the enormous profits that
20 these private developers are achieving, and
21 particularly in a situation like this, which is purely
22 for private benefit. So I'm going to be opposing this
23 motion.

24 GOVERNOR CRIST: Okay.

25 ATTORNEY GENERAL McCOLLUM: Governor.

1 GOVERNOR CRIST: General.

2 ATTORNEY GENERAL McCOLLUM: I'd just like to ask a
3 question. My understanding on this, Mr. Sole, is that
4 if I'm correct, the lease that we would have with this
5 property, the provisions include the potential for fee
6 increases if we do see new rules in regard to the slip
7 issue that CFO Sink is raising. Am I right about that?

8 MR. SOLE: General, that's correct. Currently the
9 structure shows six percent based on the revenues
10 derived from any sale or -- sale is the wrong word, but
11 sublease of any of those slips.

12 And as the rules change, there is a provision to
13 address that addition of any additional fees or a
14 potential reduction of fees, however the rules actually
15 come out.

16 ATTORNEY GENERAL McCOLLUM: So however the rule
17 comes out, we would adjust this -- this would be
18 adjusted, the fees would be adjusted in this particular
19 matter.

20 MR. SOLE: The annual fee would be adjusted, yes,
21 sir.

22 ATTORNEY GENERAL McCOLLUM: Thank you.

23 CFO SINK: Secretary Sole, are all the developers
24 who have been signing these leases aware that at the
25 time a rule change is made, that they're subject to

1 higher lease fees?

2 MR. SOLE: "All" is a tough word, CFO. I believe
3 that that is a normal practice, when we identify any
4 sublease or, excuse me, any lease to a potential
5 applicant, that we identify that they are subject to
6 changes in any rules for addition to the fee structure.
7 I'll verify that.

8 The word "all" gives me pause because we have
9 several long-term leases that are out there today that
10 may not currently reflect that.

11 One of the things that the CFO mentioned is that,
12 yes, the Department, based upon a previous Cabinet
13 agenda, we were requested to look at this issue. And
14 we do have a rule workshop scheduled at the end of this
15 month.

16 COMMISSIONER BRONSON: If I could, Governor.

17 GOVERNOR CRIST: Commissioner.

18 COMMISSIONER BRONSON: And also this will be
19 sweeping as well. You know, I've always been a little
20 bit hesitant to say that the State of Florida should be
21 in the market to make a profit. On the other hand, we
22 have other people who are making profits with these
23 leases.

24 And to make sure everybody understands, they're
25 not buying this state land. They're leasing the

1 submerged land to put these docks on. And whatever is
2 fair is fair for the State as well as the individuals
3 here.

4 But as this rule begins to take effect, let's not
5 forget that we do lease land to people who are in the
6 clamming industry. And, yes, in good years they make
7 money from clams. In bad years they make nothing off
8 of them because of hurricanes destroying the clam beds.
9 And, of course, we get a benefit from the clams because
10 they help clean the water.

11 So I want to make sure all of that, no matter
12 where the leases are and what we're leasing for,
13 everything is added to that group, so that we're being
14 practical about our leases. And I think -- I'm sure
15 you're going to do that. I just -- I don't want us to
16 think that we're going to get the same kind of money
17 for a clam lease that we're going to get for some of
18 these other things because it won't ever happen. They
19 don't make enough money in the clam business to have
20 that happen.

21 But if it's for the good of the State, I think it
22 needs to be reassessed, and then we can discuss it when
23 the rules come up.

24 GOVERNOR CRIST: Any other questions? We have a
25 motion and a second. All in favor, please signify by

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1 saying aye. Aye.

2 ATTORNEY GENERAL McCOLLUM: Aye.

3 COMMISSIONER BRONSON: Aye.

4 GOVERNOR CRIST: All opposed.

5 CFO SINK: No.

6 GOVERNOR CRIST: Motion carries. I just had a
7 couple of questions on it, Secretary, if I could. This
8 particular project, who owns the land that abuts the
9 water?

10 MR. SOLE: In this case it's a combination. The
11 applicant owns a majority of the land. There's a small
12 section, I think it's 20,000 square feet, that is owned
13 by the City of New Smyrna. But primarily they have the
14 riparian upland interest, and that's been well
15 demonstrated, the applicant themselves.

16 GOVERNOR CRIST: And do you know whether or not
17 the project, for lack of a better term, is all presold?

18 MR. SOLE: I'm unaware whether the project is
19 presold.

20 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: It's not.

21 MR. SOLE: It is not.

22 GOVERNOR CRIST: So the entrepreneur is taking
23 risk in order to provide jobs to make a profit to help
24 Florida's economy, arguably.

25 MR. SOLE: Yes, sir.

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1 GOVERNOR CRIST: Okay. That's all I have. Do you
2 have some people who want to speak or just to answer
3 questions?

4 MR. SOLE: No. Just in case. Thank you. Our
5 last item, Item Number 4, is for Gulfstream Natural Gas
6 System, LLC. This is consideration for an application
7 of a 25-year sovereignty submerged lands public
8 easement for a 1.7-mile subaqueous natural gas
9 pipeline, excuse me, transmission pipeline. There will
10 also be a letter of consent for temporary pipeline
11 construction activities.

12 This is located in Tampa Bay. It is connection
13 from the existing Gulfstream pipeline that currently
14 lands in Port Manatee and is proposed to tie into that
15 existing pipeline and connect to a Progress Energy
16 facility, Bartow facility, which they have already
17 identified and proposed to what we call re-power from
18 an oil-firing facility to a natural gas facility.

19 GOVERNOR CRIST: Any questions? Is there a motion
20 on Item 4?

21 COMMISSIONER BRONSON: Motion on Item 4.

22 ATTORNEY GENERAL McCOLLUM: Second.

23 GOVERNOR CRIST: Moved and seconded. Show it
24 approved without objection. Thank you, Secretary.

25 MR. SOLE: Governor, thank you very much.

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1 GOVERNOR CRIST: Stand adjourned.
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that I am not a relative or employee or attorney or counsel
of the parties, or a relative or employee of such attorney
or counsel, nor am I interested in this proceeding or its
outcome.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand
this 20th day of August, 2007.

JO LANGSTON
Registered Professional Reporter