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SECRETARY OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES

September 20, 2013

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, The Honorable Ellen M. Ferretti, 55 Grandview Avenue, Dallas 18612, Luzerne County, Twentieth Senatorial District, for appointment as Secretary of Conservation and Natural Resources, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2015, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice The Honorable Richard J. Allan, Camp Hill, resigned.

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Ellen M. Ferretti

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PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
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Education:

Bachelor of Science, Environmental Science/Biology, Wilkes College, Wilkes-Barre, PA

Continuing Education:

- ✓ National Conservation Training Center (The Conservation Fund, USFWS, NPS and the Conservation Study Institute) "Balancing Nature and Commerce in Communities that Neighbor Public Lands;
- ✓ Training sessions with The Conservation Fund and Urban Land Institute on sustainable models for development and Conservation Subdivision (Randall Arendt and others);
- ✓ Conservation Leaders' Summit in Pennsylvania (June, 2010):
- ✓ Marcellus Shale Gas Conference (PEC and Duquesne University, May, 2010) and continued education and
- ✓ outreach related to this topic;
- ✓ Leadership Wilkes-Barre (Class of 2007);
- ✓ Penn State Continuing Education Credit/ Leadership (13.4 CEUs, June 2007);
- Numerous training seminars and conferences on conservation; forest stewardship; leadership; staff, time and budget management; Brownfield and grayfield redevelopment; conservation strategies; trail, park and recreation planning and development; municipal and land use planning; environmental assessments; permitting; green technologies and trends; government and non-profit funding; community capacity building; and project management

Summary of Experience

June 13, 2013 - Present Acting Secretary, PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

June 13, 2011 – June 13, 2013

Deputy Secretary for Parks and Forestry, PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

February, 2008 - June 13, 2011

Pennsylvania Environmental Council: V.P. Regional Director and Coordinator, Pocono Forest and Waters Conservation Landscape: Management in charge of staff and programs for the Northeast Regional Office of PEC and member of the statewide policy team. Duties include all aspects of operating the NE Office and managing staff in a comprehensive manner, including program start up, implementation and management; grant/contract research, development and administration; management of a grant program through the Conservation Landscape; development and administration of budgets for projects and regional office; cost-containment and maximizing cost-benefit ratios; networking and team building with stakeholders (recreation, conservation, businesses, economic development, private and non-profit groups, colleges, universities, schools and private individuals); networking with state and federal regulatory agencies, including PA DEP, PA DCNR, PA DC ED, PA DOT, NPS, PA Department of Agriculture, USCOE, HUD and US EPA; local government outreach; and conflict resolution. Programs related to the Landscape Include acting as liaison with regional DCNR State Park and Forestry staff to implement projects and programs In cooperation with local communities and groups; land conservation projects; coordination of county planning staff and open space/greenway plans; coordination of Northeast Land Trust Partners and a soon to be formed Trails Partnership; creation of a pilot program on "Connecting Nature and Commerce' in five Northeast PA Communities, strengthening the connection between local communities in Northeast PA and the DCNR owned and managed lands.

2005-FEBRUARY, 2008

Borton-Lawson Engineering; Director of Environmental Resources: Management in charge of staff, client development, marketing and team member coordination (internal teams with other divisions, such as Structural and Civil and Engineering and Transportation, and external with other consultants, etc.) for all work related to environmental assessments, including Phase I and II site evaluations, Brownfield and Grayfields, hazardous materials assessments, soil/groundwater testing; wetland delineation/mitigation designs; NEPA documentation; permitting; compliance; park and trail master planning; land use planning; wastewater and other related services.

2004-2005

The Nature Conservancy; Land Protection Specialist: Project manager in charge of conservation efforts to advance protection of TNC priorities In the Pocono area. Duties included identifying and securing funding for land protection projects; working with team members to Identify natural attributes of key parcels; involvement in planning efforts in NE PA; and, coordination with other non-profit groups, private landowners, local municipal elected officials and state and federal agencies.

1998-2004

Pennsylvania Environmental Council, NE Regional Office; Vice-President and Regional Director: Management in charge of staff and program development and management for the Northeast Regional Office of PEC. Duties same as present day.

1997-1998

Earth Conservancy; Director of Public Affairs and Development:

Duties included outreach and partnership efforts with various community and economic development organizations; grant/contract research, development, and administration; managing the Open Space Master Plan; representing Earth Conservancy on various environmental committees; and, speaking engagements to local groups. Also completed formation of the Open Space Steering Committee and coordinated dissemination of pertinent information to this committee and the Open Space Selection Committee.

1996-1997

ARRIS Engineering Group, LTD.; Vice President: Partner in charge of program and client/business development and implementation of environmental projects. Duties included evaluation of real property with respect to the potential for negative Impact to surface and subsurface media; coordination of outside services, and related contract management, to form "teams" of experts to complete projects; creation and implementation of sampling plans specific to known or suspected type of contaminant and release; site characterizations; translation of field and laboratory data; groundwater assessments; and remedial plans.

1992-1996

Quad Three Group, Inc.; Project Manager/Environmental Scientist: Project manager responsible for management, coordination of personnel and services, and performance of environmental projects ranging from Phase I and Phase II Environmental assessments through "Phase III" or Remediation on a full range of sites. Responsibilities also included development of work plans and proposals, regulatory agency compliance, contractor and service professional contracting end coordination, data interpretation, report preparation and coordination and implementation of SARA Title III reporting for facilities on local, state and federal levels.

1991-1992

American Resource Consultants; Project Manager/Environmental Scientist: Duties and responsibilities similar to those at Quad Three Group, Inc. Reassessed existing Phase I program and made changes toward more comprehensive and professional report preparation and presentation.

1989-1991

Westinghouse Environmental and Geotechnical Services, Inc., Spartanburg, South Carolina and Ambler, Pennsylvania: Originally hired to provide technical assistance to existing environmental department. Within six months, advanced to a Project Management position in charge of implementation and completion of the majority of the Phase I Environmental Assessments and associated sampling plans within the department. When transferred to the Ambler branch office, I acted as primary contact on a variety of multi-site assessments within the northeast region of the country.

Representative Projects and Programs

Luzerne-Lackawanna County Brownfield/Grayfield Development Opportunities Task Force - The Task Force was formed as a joint effort of PEC and PA DEP to bring together community economic development, regulatory and environmental leaders from the bi-County area to encourage the re-use of abandoned Industrial sites, or Brownfields, and abandoned minelands, or Grayfields, for redevelopment purposes rather than development of pristine open space. The Task Force achieved many successes including site redevelopment, substantial input to PADEP on the unusual demands inherent in Grayfield redevelopment and creation of partnerships and shared tasks to reclaim these lands in cost-effective ways.

Land Conservation - Team coordination with The Conservation Fund, The Nature Conservancy, PA DCNR, local governments and regional land trusts on various landscape scale conservation projects In Northeastern Pennsylvania involving numerous key stakeholders.

Luzerne-Lackawanna BI-County Open Space, Greenway and Outdoor Recreation Master Plan - Encouraged the creation of and coordinated tasks related to the Master Plan, including securing funding, by working closely with both County planning agencies, PA DCNR, PA DEP, PA DCED, the consultant team and a host of private, nonprofit and governmental entities. As an early implementation of the Plan, coordinated numerous key partners, including Luzerne County Commissioners, PA DCNR Bureaus of Forestry and Recreation and Conservation, Luzerne County Planning Commission and Engineer, The Conservation Fund. The Nature Conservancy and the property owner, in the acquisition of 11,000 acres of watershed lands in Luzerne and Lackawanna Counties for conservation purposes. Other implementation efforts relative to the Plan included technical assistance and involvement with the Back Mountain Council of Governments (COG) in Luzerne County (four municipalities) and an adjoining county to create Open Space, Greenways and Outdoor Recreation Plans to compliment their ongoing Comprehensive Plan.

Wyoming Valley Watershed Coalition - Secured funding for and started the Coalition as a partnership effort to foster stewardship of the stretch of the Susquehanna River in the Wyoming Valley. The program expanded to include the highly successful annual volunteer Stream Cleanups as well as the annual RiverFEST festivals and canoe trips. The RiverFEST attracts more and more attendees each year, increasing not only the Involvement, and subsequent River appreciation, of local citizens but also expanding eco-tourism capabilities for the river towns as more and more attendees gain interest.

Wyoming Valley Water Trail - Secured funding for and worked with team members to create a water trail on the Susquehanna in the Wyoming Valley to link to similar projects to the north and south, and inter-State through the Chesapeake Gateways Community Network, to form a continuous and integrated system throughout the entire Susquehanna Watershed. This trail, the associated map/guides, web-based promotions, and the linkages to the other water trails along the Susquehanna enhance the potential for environmental awareness and eco-tourism from this growing activity.

Recreational Trail Projects - Secured funding for and oversaw various feasibility studies/master plans for parks and walking/biking trails incorporating natural areas, abandoned rail beds, and urban sidewalks.

Wyoming Valley Wellness Trails - Worked with key partners to secure funding for and create this first of its kind program to bring together the efforts of the outdoor recreation and health care communities to identify and successfully achieve common goals.

Land-Use Fragmentation Study - Secured funding for and coordinated this prototype project to determine a methodology to quantify fragmentation of forests and farmland. This project was created in response to conversations with PA DCNR Bureau of Forestry and professional foresters at which time the need was identified to quantify the fragmentation of forests and farmlands, specifically for the purpose of identifying prime locations for conservation and managed timbering.

Forest Legacy in Luzerne and Lackawanna Counties - Based on initial meetings with PA DCNR Bureaus of Forestry and Recreation and Conservation and The Conservation Fund, convened a group of key stakeholders, Conservation Districts and County representatives in Luzerne and Lackawanna counties to implement a Forest Legacy Program in these Counties.

Environmental Advisory Councils or EACs - Worked closely with many municipalities and groups to start EACs as a means to foster environmental awareness in their communities.

Camp Kresge Master Plan - Managed consultant team working with the non-profit Wilkes-Barre Family YMCA to create a Master Plan for future compatible site development and recreation opportunities at Camp Kresge, an outdoor experience camp located in Dennison Township, Luzerne County.

Scranton-Abingtons Planning Association Comprehensive Plan - As a sub-consultant on this project, my role was to assist in public outreach and manage the stormwater and open space, greenway and outdoor recreation components of the Plan, as well as brownfield and grayfield issues in cooperation economic development organizations.

Rivers Conservation Plans for North Branch of the Susquehanna, Bowman's Creek and Mehoopany Creek - Secured funding for and oversaw management of these Plans to bring community members together to create a Common vision for the future of their watersheds, including conservation, recreation and eco-tourism opportunities. Coordinated, for promotion and appreciation of the North Branch of the Susquehanna from Bradford County to Luzerne County, a successful effort to have this section of the River identified as PA DCNR Feature River of the year for 2004. This designation brought with it a host of professional promotional products, as well as statewide advertisement for others to come and enjoy the Sojourn that Is coordinated as part of the Feature River designation.

Developed and Undeveloped Properties- Environmental Assessments - Performance of Phase I's and environmental consultation services for numerous sites throughout the Easter US, both commercially developed and unimproved, for a variety of clients, including attorneys, private developers, leading institutions, realtors and business owners. Phase I's were conducted In accordance with ASTM Standards on Environmental Site Assessments for Commercial Real Estate.

PENNDOT Facility, Western PA-Subsurface Investigation - Development of subsurface investigation designed to assess soil and groundwater quality conditions in an area surrounding existing underground storage tanks which were scheduled for removal as part of an upgrade of available services at the facility. In addition, in an effort to identify additional potential sources of contamination at the site, the investigation also included research into additional underground storage tank locations which may have existed in the past at the facility and research into the history of reported spills and/or releases at the site.

Various Naval Undersea Warfare Bases (RI, NY, FL, Andros Island, Bahamas) - Development and implementation of a sampling plan to assess the potential for PCB-contamination in hydraulic equipment, or equipment with hydraulic components, at the various bases. This project entailed visiting each facility on the base which would be suspect for the presence of PCBs; and collecting samples of oil from reservoirs suspect for the presence of PCBs. The samples were subjected to laboratory chemical analysis and the results interpreted, tabulated and presented to the Navy in a comprehensive report of findings.

Former Federal Facility, Newport RI- Environmental Study - Development of a scope of work, coordination of services and personnel, and implementation of investigation into a former fuel facility on an island near the Naval Base. The investigation was centered on a former fuel facility at which petroleum contamination had been identified. The purpose of the investigation was to perform a thorough site investigation with focus on the location of all former and present underground utility conduits as possible migratory pathways, aboveground and underground storage tanks and structures within and adjacent to the study area in order to fully characterize the extent of petroleum contamination in the study area, both from known or potential unknown sources. As part of the investigation, the potential for migration into the study area of other regulated or hazardous materials from the adjoining facilities was also addressed. This study required extensive networking with various Base personnel and departments to secure pertinent information which was oftentimes obscure and/or almost forgotten.

Personal and Professional Affiliations

- ✓ Governor Tom Corbett Environmental Transition Team for DEP, DCNR and PUC
- ✓ North Branch Land Trust, Former Board Member;
- Common Waters- A conservation/community multi-state outreach project with The Pinchot Institute, local municipalities, TNC, and others in the Upper Delaware watershed
- ✓ The Nature Conservancy, Former Member:
- ✓ Wilkes-Barre Family YMCA Camp Kresge Camp (Former) Committee

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- ✓ Leadership Wilkes-Barre, Class of 2007;
- ✓ PA State Planning Board 6/2004 to 6/2011;
- ✓ PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources Citizen's Advisory Council 10/2006 to 6/2011;
- ✓ Luzerne County Planning Commission 1/2001 to 6/2011):
- ✓ Back Mountain Business Association (Former);
- ✓ Former PA DEP Brownfield. Advisory Committee;
- Luzerne-Lackawanna County PENN DOT Metropolitan Planning Organization, Technical Advisory Committee (1998-2004);
- ✓ Former Board Member Pennsylvania Organization for Watershed and Rivers;
- ✓ Past Environmental Mentor for Leadership Wilkes-Barre;
- ✓ Former Member Luzerne County Greenspace Alliance;
- Former Member Kingston Township Long Range Planning Committee;
- Past Member PA DCNR Key Stakeholders for Lehigh/Northampton/Berks Counties;
- Ongoing professional development through attendance at conferences and training sessions.
- ✓ As Acting secretary, PSU Board of Trustees 6/2013 to Present.

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL INTERESTS

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