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11:05 a.m.

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3 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: The next case on
4 our calendar is Case No. 25-PRO-00114, SOST, License
5 No. 126215.

6 Mr. Orellana, good morning again. Can you
7 please elevate the parties in this case?

8 MR. ORELLANA: Good morning. Siem Abebe,
9 access elevated. And Commissioner Francois
10 Barrilleaux, access elevated. That is all,
11 Chairman.

12 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Thank you. All
13 right.

14 Good morning, Mr. Abebe. Can you please
15 spell and state your name for the record, sir?

16 MR. ABEBE: Hi. This is Siem Abebe,
17 S-I-E-M A-B-E-B-E. I'm the owner of SOST.

18 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning, sir.

19 Mr. Barrilleaux -- I apologize for the
20 pronunciation -- can you please spell and state your
21 name for the record? I saw you, and I don't know
22 what happened. I did see you on --

23 MR. ORELLANA: He may be having
24 connectivity issues.

25 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right.

1 (Pause.)

2 MR. BARRILLEAUX: Hello. Can you hear me
3 and see me?

4 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Yes. Good
5 morning. Yes, sir.

6 MR. BARRILLEAUX: Great.

7 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Can you please
8 spell and state your name for the record?

9 MR. BARRILLEAUX: Yes. My name is
10 Francois Barrilleaux, first name F-R-A-N-C-O-I-S,
11 last name B-A-R-R-I-L-L-E-A-U-X.

12 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Barrilleaux,
13 okay. Good morning, sir.

14 MR. BARRILLEAUX: Very good, yes.

15 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right, good
16 morning.

17 So, this is a protest hearing. Mr. Abebe,
18 do you have any preliminary matter you need to bring
19 to the attention of the Board?

20 MR. ABEBE: We are currently discussing
21 the settlement agreement. We sent a revised
22 document to Commissioner Francois and are hoping
23 to resolve this. We're working on it. It's not
24 completely resolved yet.

25 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right, thank

1 you.

2 Mr. Barrilleaux, any other representation
3 you need to make?

4 MR. BARRILLEAUX: No. Echoing what Siem
5 said, we are working on a settlement agreement right
6 now. I'm in contact with the neighbors in the area
7 and hoping to get something back to him soon so we
8 can iron out the details.

9 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right. Thank
10 you for that representation, sir.

11 If the parties truly believe that this
12 matter will be resolved due to a settlement, please
13 advise the Agency as soon as possible so we do not
14 have to assign an investigator to this case.

15 Also, because this is a renewal
16 application, if the parties want to continue this
17 matter, it will be scheduled for a protest hearing
18 for February 25th at 1:30 p.m.

19 So, if the parties want to continue this
20 matter to give you more time to talk, the parties
21 can jointly or either party can request a
22 continuance of this case.

23 All right. As I stated, this matter is
24 scheduled for a protest hearing on February 25th
25 at 1:30 p.m. If the parties truly believe that this

1 matter will be settled, advise the Agency so we do
2 not have to assign an investigator in this matter.

3 Any questions?

4 MR. ABEBE: No.

5 MR. BARRILLEAUX: Thank you.

6 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Thank you. All
7 right. So, good luck with your negotiations. As
8 I stated before, if you believe it's going to be
9 settled, just let the Agency know as soon as
10 possible.

11 And if you need to continue the hearing
12 past February, the Board will look favorably on that
13 request to continue, okay?

14 MR. ABEBE: Okay, thank you.

15 MR. BARRILLEAUX: Thank you.

16 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Thank you. Have
17 a great day.

18 (Whereupon, the above-entitled matter
19 went off the record at 11:10 a.m.)
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