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**DANA NESSEL**  
ATTORNEY GENERAL

February 7, 2023

Report of the Attorney General  
Regarding

**Board Member Statutory Certifications  
of the members of the Detroit Lighting Authority Board**

The Municipal Lighting Authority Act (Act), 2012 PA 392, MCL 123.1261 *et seq.*, provides in Section 13(9), MCL 123.1273(9), that the Attorney General will publish an annual report as to whether each board member of an authority incorporated under the Act has filed with the Attorney General a signed certification as required by Section 13(7), MCL 123.1273(7), and whether those certifications are complete.

The format for these certifications is expressly provided in Section 13(7) of the Act, MCL 123.1273(7). Section 13(8) of the Act, MCL 123.1273(8), states that a person appointed as a board member of a lighting authority incorporated under the Act shall not commence service as a board member until he or she files the certification with the Attorney General.

On January 27, 2023, the certifications of Patrick Padgett, Rod Parker, Ric Preuss, Lorna Thomas, and Melvin B. Hollowell, as board members of the Detroit Public Lighting Authority Board, were filed with the Attorney General.

As Attorney General, I have reviewed these certifications in light of the requirements of Section 13(7) of the Act, MCL 123.1273(7), and find them to be complete. I have attached to this report copies of these certifications as Exhibits Number 1 through Number 5.

As soon as is practicable, this report will be made available to the public on the website of this office as directed by Section 13(9) of the Act, MCL 123.1273(9).

Att. 5 certifications



Public Lighting Authority

Exhibit 1

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**DETROIT PUBLIC LIGHTING AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS'**  
**CONFLICT OF INTERESTS CERTIFICATION**

Pursuant to Section 13(7) of the Michigan Municipal Lighting Authority Act, 2012 PA 392, I submit the following as a current member of the Board of Directors of the Public Lighting Authority (the "Authority"):

1. I certify that I am not aware of any matter that might limit my ability to participate in an objective and unbiased manner, or that might place me in a position of conflict, real or apparent, between my responsibilities as a member of the Board of the Public Lighting Authority or other interests.
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I acknowledge that I have read and understand the foregoing and will report any conflict of interest, should one arise after the date of this Certification, immediately to the Chair of the Board of Directors and the Michigan Attorney General's office.

Director, Detroit Public Lighting Authority

24 JAN 2023

Date

Subscribed and sworn to by Patrick Padgett before  
me on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2023

Signature Nakiche S. Carter

Printed Name Nakiche S. Carter

Notary Public, State of Michigan, County of Wayne

My commission expires 10-9-23





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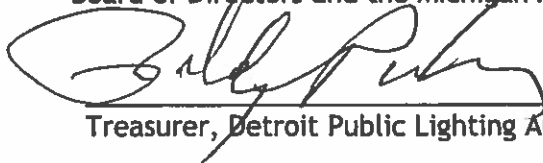
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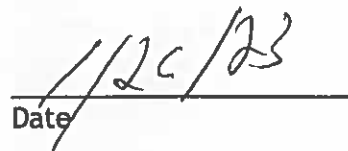
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Treasurer, Detroit Public Lighting Authority

  
Date

**MARIE A. BROWN**  
Notary Public, State of Michigan  
County of Wayne  
My Commission Expires 06-01-2024  
Acting in the County of \_\_\_\_\_

Subscribed and sworn to by Roddy Parker before  
me on the 20th day of January, 2023  
Signature   
Printed Name Marie A. Brown  
Notary Public, State of Michigan, County of Wayne  
My commission expires 06/01/2024



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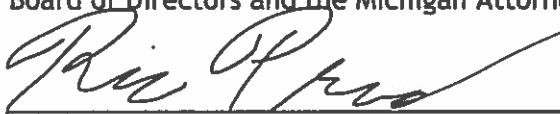
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Board Member, Detroit Public Lighting Authority

1.26.23

Date

**MARIE A. BROWN**  
Notary Public, State of Michigan  
County of Wayne  
My Commission Expires 06-01-2024  
Acting in the County of \_\_\_\_\_

Subscribed and sworn to by Ric Preuss before

me on the 26th day of January, 2023

Signature 

Printed Name Marie A. Brown

Notary Public, State of Michigan, County of Wayne

My commission expires 06/01/2024



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*Lorna Thomas MD*  
Director, Detroit Public Lighting Authority  
BOARD CHAIR

*1/24/2023*  
Date

**MARIE A. BROWN**  
Notary Public, State of Michigan  
County of Wayne  
My Commission Expires 06-01-2024  
Acting in the County of \_\_\_\_\_

Subscribed and sworn to by Lorna Thomas, MD before  
me on the 24th day of January, 2023  
Signature *Marie A. Brown*  
Printed Name Marie A. Brown  
Notary Public, State of Michigan, County of Wayne  
My commission expires 06/01/2024





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Director, Detroit Public Lighting Authority

Date 1/20/23

Subscribed and sworn to by Melvin B. Holkwell before  
me on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2023

Signature   
Printed Name Sharine Cook

Notary Public, State of Michigan, County of Wayne

My commission expires 12/14/2027

SHARINE COOK  
Notary Public, State of Michigan  
County of Macomb  
My Commission Expires 12-14-2027  
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