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Jason Zeller is a magna cum laude graduate of Claremont McKenna College. Mr. Zeller has a Masters of Arts in Urban Affairs and Policy Analysis from the New School University in New York, and a J.D. from New York Law School. He is a member of the Oregon, California and Washington State Bar Associations.

Mr. Zeller has been an Assistant Chief Counsel with the California Public Utilities Commission for ten years and I supervise eight attorneys. While he currently manages the Commission's Transportation and Water Section of the Legal Division, Mr. Zeller has extensive experience as a staff attorney in all of the various industries the Commission regulates including electricity, gas, rail safety, water, movers, charter party carriers and enforcement matters in general (particularly safety-related violations). At the outset of the San Bruno investigation, Mr. Zeller was extensively involved in the Legal Division's investigation of the incident, and I supervise three of the attorneys who are involved in the record-keeping investigation. He has approximately thirty years of experience in various aspects of utility and environmental regulation. His litigation experience includes numerous rulemakings, general rate cases, special project applications and an application for a new certificate of public convenience and necessity. In addition, Mr. Zeller has represented the Division of Ratepayer Advocates in water industry cost of capital applications.

While he lived in the state of Washington from 1990 – 1997, Mr. Zeller served as the manager of the Washington Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council and thus, he is quite familiar with the safety, environmental and land use challenges associated with siting major utility facilities including power plants, transmission lines and oil pipelines.