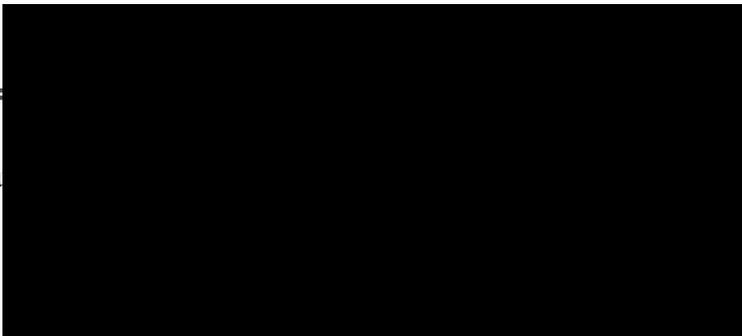


**Committee on Energy and Commerce**  
**U.S. House of Representatives**  
 Witness Disclosure Requirement - "Truth in Testimony"  
 Required by House Rule XI, Clause 2(g)

<b>1. Your Name:</b> Gerard Sweeney		
<b>2. Are you testifying on behalf of the Federal, or a State or local government entity?</b>	Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No
<b>3. Are you testifying on behalf of an entity that is not a government entity?</b>	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No
<b>4. Other than yourself, please list which entity or entities you are representing:</b>  Rain CII Carbon LLC		
<b>5. Please list any Federal grants or contracts (including subgrants or subcontracts) that you or the entity you represent have received on or after October 1, 2009:</b>  EmPower Louisiana - Renewable Energy Program (State Grant from Federal backing). LA Dept of Natural Resources (The Department) using American Recovery & Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) funds.		
<b>6. If your answer to the question in item 3 in this form is "yes," please describe your position or representational capacity with the entity or entities you are representing:</b>  President and Chief Executive Officer		
<b>7. If your answer to the question in item 3 is "yes," do any of the entities disclosed in item 4 have parent organizations, subsidiaries, or partnerships that you are not representing in your testimony?</b>	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No
<b>8. If the answer to the question in item 3 is "yes," please list any Federal grants or contracts (including subgrants or subcontracts) that were received by the entities listed under the question in item 4 on or after October 1, 2009, that exceed 10 percent of the revenue of the entities in the year received, including the source and amount of each grant or contract to be listed:</b>		
<b>9. Please attach your curriculum vitae to your completed disclosure form.</b>		

Signature



Date: 6/18/12

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**CAREER EXPERIENCE**

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER • PRESIDENT  
Rain CII Carbon LLC  
July 2007 – Present**

- Full P&L, balance sheet, production, R&D, personnel responsibility for sales of approximately \$500 MMPA with EBITDA of \$125 MMPA. Plan and direct all aspects of company's policies, objectives and initiatives.
- Rain CII Carbon LLC (Rain CII) – based in Kingwood, Texas, is a subsidiary of Rain Commodities Limited. Rain CII produces, markets and distributes calcined petroleum coke to global aluminum, steel and titanium pigment producers. The business is international in scope with a direct presence in major Asian, European and Latin American markets. The company has 250 employees worldwide. Combined with sister company Rain CII Carbon (India) Limited is the largest producer of calcined petroleum coke in the world.

**PRESIDENT • TREASURER • SECRETARY  
Rain Commodities (USA) Inc.  
December 2005 – Present**

- Responsibility for all U.S. based strategy and negotiation in the acquisition of 20.22% interest in Great Lakes Carbon USA for \$116 million in March 2006. Maintains oversight responsibility of the company's strategic investments.
- Organized U.S. legal and due diligence effort in evaluating the Cd\$437 million acquisition of the Great Lakes Carbon Income Trust in Ontario, Canada. Responsible for all deal team members and negotiation with target company from inception, through signing of definitive agreement.
- Oversees Shareholding of Rain Commodities Limited in india

**EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT  
Metals, Chartering & Agency, Industrial Services, Calcined Groups  
Oxbow Carbon & Minerals LLC (OCM)  
December 2003 – May 2005**

- Responsibility for all heritage AIMCOR businesses and assets. Full P&L, balance sheet, production, R&D, personnel responsibility for sales of approximately \$200 million MMPA with average invested capital of \$150 million and EBITDA of \$25 MMPA.
- OCM is the world's leading distribution and logistics company serving the \$6 billion petroleum coke industry. Acquiring AIMCOR in 2003, the company combines AIMCOR's strength in bulk shipping terminals and in-refinery services with OCM's strength in petroleum coke and other bulk materials distribution to create the only global full service provider in the industry.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER • PRESIDENT**  
**Applied Industrial Materials Corporation (AIMCOR)**  
**2000 – December 2003**  
**(Oxbow Carbon & Minerals Acquisition of AIMCOR 12/03)**

- Full P&L, balance sheet, production, R&D, personnel responsibility for sales of approximately \$400 MMPA with average invested capital of \$150 million and EBITDA of \$25 MMPA. Plan and direct all aspects of company's policies, objectives and initiatives.
- Applied Industrial Materials Corporation (AIMCOR) – based in Stamford, Connecticut, is a subsidiary of Walter Industries Incorporated. AIMCOR markets and distributes carbon products and related services to global aluminum, steel, power and cement industries; and produce ferroalloys for various steel and foundry applications. The business is international in scope with a direct presence in major Asian, European and Latin American markets. The company has 550 employees in 16 countries worldwide.

<b><i>President, Carbon Products Groups</i></b>	2000 -- 2003
<b><i>Vice President and General Manager, Carbon Specialties Group</i></b>	1998 - 2000
<b><i>Director, Sales &amp; Supply and General Manager, Calcined Specialties Group</i></b>	1996 - 1998
<b><i>Director, Calcined Sales &amp; Supply</i></b>	1994 - 1996
<b><i>Manager, International Sales &amp; Logistics</i></b>	1990 - 1994
<b><i>Supervisor, Sales Administration</i></b>	1989 - 1990
<b><i>Supervisor, Planning/Analysis</i></b>	1987 - 1989
<b><i>Associate Account Planning &amp; Analysis</i></b>	1986 - 1987

### **Growth and Business Development**

- Co-Founded Rain Calcining Limited (RCL) in 1996, a publicly traded industrial carbon company located in Hyderabad, India. RCL is a \$100 million International Finance Corporation financed company producing industrial carbon for the global aluminum industry and power. Since plant start up in 1998, RCL has emerged as a high quality, ultra-low cost provider of quality carbon products to global aluminum industry with revenues of \$71 million and EBITDA of \$18 million annually.
- Upon appointment as CEO in July 2000, reorganized failing business division involved in bulk product terminaling and in-refinery services with new leadership team, deep cost cuts and retooled business model. This business division is now the most profitable in the company and recognized as industry leader with dominant market share, and best safety and operational performance records.
- Launched international in-refinery handling business initiative in 2001, resulting in refinery contracts in Venezuela, Egypt and the Virgin Islands.
- Vertically integrated company into shipping services in July 2002. Created two new shipping companies with key shipping partners resulting in \$1.3 million in earnings addition and strong strategic growth opportunity for the future.

### **Team Building and Organizational Development**

- Retooled AIMCOR with energetic, talented executive group, transitioning company from historic mature business model to more sustainable business with new growth opportunity. Greatly improved communication and the development of synergies between business groups.
- Initiated programs such as Commitment to Excellence and multi year strategic planning to force accountability down through the organization.
- Implemented 360 degree review process whereby all managers receive critical feedback from supervisors, coworkers and subordinates to improve individual performance.

### **Change Management and Process Improvement**

- Introduced Six Sigma productivity initiative throughout organization in 2001 to drive cost reduction and production efficiencies in all areas of AIMCOR business. Program eliminated over \$5 million in cost and waste since inception.
- Implemented JD Edwards enterprise resource planning package company-wide in 2002 to drive efficiencies and consolidate disparate systems into shared services, creating one company-wide operating system environment.
- Greatly consolidated and simplified international organization to meet competition and leverage technology advances.
- Overall, reduced company costs by 40% in three years.

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**Past and Present**

**Board/Corporate Memberships**

Rain CII Carbon LLC, Rain CII Carbon (India) Limited and  
Rain Commodities Limited, Board Member – 2005 - Present  
Oxbow Carbon & Minerals LLC, Officer – 2003 - 2005  
Walter Industries Incorporated, Officer – 2000 - 2003  
AIMCOR Enterprises International, Incorporated, Director and Officer – 2000 - 2003  
Applied Industrial Materials UK Limited, Director and Officer – 2000 - 2003  
AIMCOR (Far East), Inc., Director and Officer – 2000 - 2003  
AIMCOR – St. Croix, Inc., Director and Officer – 2000 - 2003  
Applied Industrial Materials Corporation, Director and Officer – 2000 - 2003  
Gans Transport Agencies (USA), Inc., Director and Officer – 2000 - 2003  
RAIN Calcining Ltd., Director – 1996 - 2005  
Bulk Ocean Chartering Inc., Director – 2002 – 2005  
Petroleum Coke Industries Company, Director – 2004 - 2005

**Professional Affiliations**

Iron & Steel Society, Member  
Northwest Power Alliance, Member  
The Metals Society, Member

**Charitable/Non-Profit Affiliations**

YMCA of Stamford, Director  
Shippan Point Association, Director  
Ancient Order of Hibernians, Fund Raising Chair  
Boy Scouts of America, Leadership Council  
Federal Little League, Board Member

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**EDUCATION**

Glassboro State College, Glassboro, NJ, 1986  
Bachelor of Science in Business Administration  
Specializations: Accounting and Finance