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⁴ Dr Bandli reported being employed by RJ Lee Group, an analytical laboratory and scientific consulting firm with business interests that may be affected by the outcome of this present meeting, and providing expert opinion on behalf of law firms in connection with expert testimony for defendants in talc litigation.

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