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Dear Secretary McNulty:

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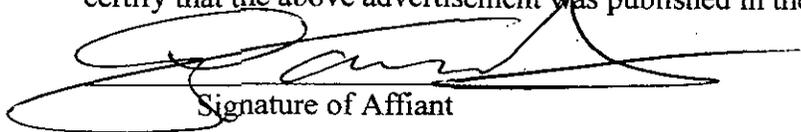
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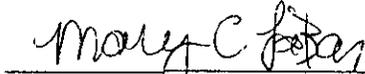
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setup man J.C. Romero, closer Brad Lidge and Cole Hamels. Romero had offseason forearm surgery and is expected to start the year on the DL. Lidge went from a perfect '08 to leading the majors with 11 blown saves last year. Hamels followed up his World Series MVP with frustrating inconsistency.

Atlanta Braves

If Bobby Cox is going to return to the playoffs in his last season as manager of the Braves, it in part could be thanks to the 20-year-old right fielder Heyward, whose power display this spring have elicited Buynasque tales. Glaus and Jones will be counted on to rediscover their home run strokes and help the Braves improve on their 149 homers, 224 overall.

Despite trading workhorse Javier Vazquez to the Yankees, the starting rotation is still one of the best in the league with Derek Lowe, a healthy Tim Lincecum, Tommy Hanson and Jair Jurrjens. The bullpen, anchored by 38-year-old Wagner and 40-year-old Takashi Saito, could be a weak spot.

New York Mets

Health is the key if the Mets are going to bounce back from the disastrous 70-92 finish in 2009, and they already are in to a poor start. Center fielder Carlos Beltran is expected to be out for April after having knee surgery in January and shortstop Jose Reyes had an overcastive injury that kept him out of most of spring training.

After Johan Santana, the Mets rotation is shaky. John Maine and Oliver Perez are coming off injuries. Mike Pelfrey took a step back — 10-12 with a 5.03 ERA — after a solid '08 and neither Jonathan Niese nor Fernando Nieve has distinguished himself as a viable No. 5 starter.

At the plate, the mets are relying on Bay and David Wright, who hit just 10 homers last year, to power an offense that hit a majors-low 95 homers, 49 at home in its first season at Citi Field.

Florida Marlins

With a talented core of young players led by NL batting champion Hanley Ramirez, rookie of the Year Chris Coghlan and All-Star righty Josh Johnson, Florida won 87 games last year



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The Mets signed Jason Bay for one reason — to hit home runs like he is here during a spring-training game.

and finished six back of the Phillies.

The Marlins pushed their payroll above \$40 million for the first time since 2005 to keep the team together. They gave Johnson a \$39 million, four-year contract and second baseman Dan Uggla \$7.8 million for 2010. With the increase in payroll comes pressure to make their first playoff appearance since winning the World Series in 2003.

Florida's going to have to make that leap with a shaky bullpen and iffy rotation after Johnson.

Washington Nationals

The fact the Nationals finished their second straight 100-loss season (59-103) is no reason for optimism in D.C. Strasburg, however, is.

Signing their No. 1 pick for a record \$15.1 million last August showed the Nationals are determined to win, and Strasburg displayed flashes of his potential as an ace this spring, but he'll start the season in Double-A.

The Nationals made several changes that should help bring that loss total down into the double digits. For one, Tim Lincecum was given the managerial job after leading the Nats to a 33-41 record to finish 2009 after replacing Manny Acta.

Washington soon could have a competitive rotation.

CENTRAL

St. Louis Cardinals

With a starting rotation anchored by dual aces Adam Wainwright and Chris Carpenter, and an offense led by the combo of Pujols and Holliday, the Cardinals should repeat as Central champs. They just hope McGwire's return to St. Louis is not a distraction when the team hits the road.

David Freese will have to put aside his drunken-driving arrest in December as he takes over at third base for the departed Mark DeRosa. Pitching coach Dave Duncan will try to work the same magic to resurrect Brad Penny's career as he did with Joel Poinette last season.

Chicago Cubs

The biggest move the Cubs made this offseason was trading away the viable Bradley after one combustible season. Manager Lou Piniella enters the final year of his contract with several potential hindrances to ending the Cubs' World Series title drought, which dates to 1908. The health of Soriano and Ted Lilly are big questions. Ace Carlos Zambrano, who last year admitted he sometimes was lazy when it came to doing his abdominal exercises, must win more than nine games to justify his \$91.5 million contract and Soto must return to the form that won him the 2008 Rookie of the Year award.

Milwaukee Brewers

The Brewers found out that Ryan Braun and Prince Fielder can only carry the club so far, so Milwaukee went out and signed Randy Wolf to \$29.75 million, three-year deal and brought back Doug Davis. The Brewers reunited manager Ken Macha with fellow former Oakland Athletics coach Rick Peterson to guide Milwaukee's pitching staff after its starters had a majors-worst 5.37 ERA. Manny Parra will have to start living up to his potential, too, and Jeff Suppan must earn his \$12.5 million.

New center fielder Carlos Gomez has to hit better than .229 if he's to make this offense "Go-Go." If he doesn't, expect to see more of Jim Edmonds, who did not play in a majors league except from rookie shortstop Alcides Escobar, who is taking over for J.J. Hardy.

Trevor Hoffman needs nine saves for 600.

Cincinnati Reds

Only six teams in majors scored fewer runs than the Reds did (672) last year, their ninth straight losing season, but they added only one new starter: Orlando Cabrera. Cincinnati needs to stay healthy, primarily right fielder Jay Bruce, who missed two months with a broken wrist and hit .223.

Sure the Reds made a splash by winning the sweepstakes for Chapman, but he likely will start the season in the minors working on his control. Aaron Harang must return to No. 1 starter form after going 12-31 the last two seasons, both sidetracked by injuries. Youngsters Johnny Cueto and Homer Bailey are being asked to carry a heavy load while Edinson Volequez recovers from Tommy John surgery.

Houston Astros

New manager Brad Mills inherits a sagging ballclub but made few moves in the offseason. On offense, the Astros lost shortstop Miguel Tejada — rookie Tommy Manzella takes over — from a lineup that produced just 643 runs, 14th in the NL. The key to a run-scoring resurgence is Lance Berkman, who struggled to hit 25 homers and drive in 80 runs. Catcher J.R. Towles has to produce — he has hit 188 in three partial big league seasons — because there are few options available.

Roy Oswalt was limited to eight wins by a balky back, but Wandy Rodriguez improved to a formidable No. 2 starter. In the bullpen, Matt Lincecum and Brandon Lyon were brought in to replace setup man LaTroy Hawkins and Jose Valverde, who had 69 saves over the last two seasons in Houston.

Pittsburgh Pirates

The ballclub without a winning season since Barry Bonds' year last with the team in 1992 is building for the future. A bevy of trades over the last 2 1/2 seasons stocked the minors, and several of those players might be ready — by this summer. Andrew McCutchen will try to build on an impressive rookie year. Jeff Clement starts in right field after spending all of 2009 in the minors and Garrett Jones hit 21 homers in just 314 at-bats. Look for top prospect Pedro Alvarez to replace Andy LaRoche at third base soon.

Capitol Hill intern Ross Ohlendorf served notice with a breakthrough season and the Pirates are hoping the same will happen with No. 4 starter Charlie Morton this year. The bullpen, though, is even worse off than '09. Octavio Dotel will try closing for the first time since 2007 — it's the holy.

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Colorado Rockies

Expectations are high after Tracy took over for Clint Hurdle as manager after a slow start and led the team to the NL wild card. They could win the West if left-hander Jeff Francis returns to form after missing all of 2008, and if closer Huston Street and setup man Rafael Betancourt are healthy. The relievers have missed time this spring and neither will likely be ready for the start of season.

Troy Tulowitzki leads a potent offense that was second in the NL for runs scored (804) and home runs (190). Giambi will back up Todd Helton, who signed a two-year deal after hitting .325 last season. The only potential weakness in the lineup is behind the plate. Catcher Chris Iannetta offers more power, but he hit .228 compared to the .291 the departed Yorvit Torrealba hit.

Los Angeles Dodgers

The Dodgers could be as interesting off the field as they are on it. Owners Frank McCourt and his estranged wife, Jamie, are set to meet in court in May. Manager Joe Torre is in the final year of his contract. And Ramirez, also in his final year, has already made a stir this spring, saying this would be his last season in Los Angeles and then backtracking a day later.

Ramirez, who turns 38 in May, is coming off a down year that included a 50-game drug suspension and will be relied on even more because Russell Martin is injured and Orlando Hudson is gone. On the upside, Matt Kemp, Andre Ethier and James Loney provide a dynamic young core. Blake DeWitt won

the second-base job.

The once solid relief corps is in trouble. Ronald Belisario was stuck in Venezuela, unable to secure a visa. He went 4-3 with a 2.04 ERA in 69 games as a rookie last year. Cory Wade had right shoulder surgery and is expected to miss at least three months, and lefty setup man George Sherrill had a sore knee and struggled this spring.

San Francisco Giants

It's a good thing Lincecum and Cain don't need much run support — they can't expect it from the Giants' offense. New arrivals Mark DeRosa and Aubrey Huff should add some pop to a lineup that hit 122 homers, 15th in the NL. San Francisco still is lacking another big bat to support third baseman Pablo Sandoval. There could be help on the way, though. Rookie catcher Buster Posey might get the call early despite the re-signing of Bengie Molina. Leadoff batter Aaron Rowand had a .319 on-base average.

Randy Johnson is gone, but Barry Zito has pitched better and Jonathan Sanchez threw a no-hitter in just his second full season. Todd Wellemeyer appears to have the edge over youngster Kevin Pucetas for the fifth starter spot.

Arizona Diamondbacks

Much depends on the return of 2006 Cy Young Award winner Brandon Webb from shoulder surgery and he might be ready by mid-April. After Dan Haren and newly arrived Edwin Jackson, there are two untested youngsters, Ian Kennedy and Rodrigo Lopez. Without Webb at the top of the rotation there is no certain fifth starter. Arizona gave 22-year-old Justin Upton a six-year deal and Mark Reynolds a three-year contract, showing a commitment to youth.

San Diego Padres

There is optimism in San Diego after the Padres went 37-95 to finish the season in fourth place. But a sunny outlook might not be enough to keep All-Star slugger Adrian Gonzalez, who would be dealt before the trading deadline. He has a year, plus a club option for 2011 left on his contract, and new general manager Jed Hoyer has limited funds.

Last season the Padres traded center pitcher Jake Peavy to the White Sox and got righty Clayton Richard in the deal. Richard went 5-2 in 12 starts and will likely be the No. 3 or 4 starter even though he struggled during training camp.

AP Sports Writers Andrew Seligman, Charles Odom and Pat Graham contributed to this story.

NOTICE

Re. Application of PPL Electric Utilities Corporation Filed Pursuant to 52 Pa. Code Chapter 57, Subchapter G, for Approval of the Siting and Construction of a new transmission line in the area of Appenzell Readers in Jackson Townships, Monroe County.

Docket No A-2010-2164476

Notice is hereby given that the Application described above has been filed by PPL Electric Utilities Corporation ("PPL Electric") for authorization to construct a new transmission line in the area of Appenzell Readers in Jackson Township, Monroe County, to improve electric system reliability for customers in the area and to resolve load conditions on the PPL Electric Utilities distribution system currently serving this area.

The new transmission line will be built along newly acquired right of way from the PPL Electric existing transmission line near the intersection of Jackson Road and Mountain Road and continue south then southeast, ending at a new substation to be located along Pa Route 715, just west of Appenzell. PPL Electric will construct this new transmission line for and operate it at 138 kilovolts.

This new line is being constructed to supply the new Appenzell Substation to improve electric system reliability and to help relieve current and projected overloading conditions on the distribution system serving the Appenzell Readers area.

A Prehearing Conference upon this Application will be held May 12, 2010, in Hearing Room 2, Commonwealth Keystone Building, 400 North Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, when and where all persons having property filed a protest or petition to intervene in accordance with Commission regulations should appear and be heard. The purpose of the hearing generally will be to identify the relevant issues and interested parties, if any, and to establish a schedule for the submission of evidence, hearings and other procedural matters, if required.

Under regulations of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (52 Pa. Code Section 57.75(h)), if no protests or petitions to intervene in this matter are received 7 days before the prehearing conference, the Commission, and the Administrative Law Judge, may order that the matter may be submitted for decision without hearings.

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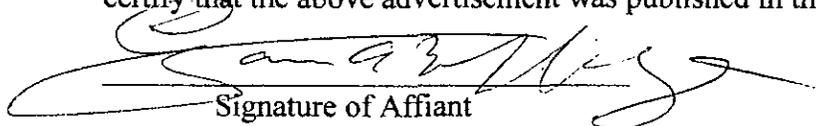
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# Official: Stench at raided kennel was overwhelming

ALLENTOWN (AP) — The stench of urine at Almost Heaven Kennel overwhelmed Pennsylvania dog warden Kristen Donnemeyer, stinging her eyes and making her feel like she was going to vomit. The heavy aroma fumes drove her outside to catch her breath. When she got home that night, Donnemeyer shed her clothes before going in — then took a long, hot shower.

"I'll never forget the smell," Donnemeyer told jurors Tuesday. "I'll never forget it, ever. The smell of ammonia was sickening."

Donnemeyer, a kennel-compliance specialist with the state Bureau of Dog Law Enforcement, described horrific conditions at the huge kennel outside Allentown during testimony against the owner, Derbe "Skip" Eckhart, who is on trial on animal cruelty and other counts following a 2008 raid.

Lehigh County prosecutor Jay Jenkins displayed a series of photos showing french drains brimming with excrement and stagnant liquid; kennel floors covered in feces; and dogs with filthy, matted fur. One photo showed puppies lying in their food dishes, evidently seeking out the cleanest, driest spot.

"This is the foulest thing I've

seen at a kennel to date," Donnemeyer told jurors, pointing to another photo. "These puppies had nowhere to go. They were laying in their excrement."

The dog-law bureau joined agents with the Pennsylvania SPCA on the raid at Almost Heaven, whose kennel license was revoked. Eckhart, who kept nearly 800 animals at the compound in Upper Milford Township, also faces charges that he continued operating the kennel in defiance of the state's order to shut down.

On cross-examination, Donnemeyer acknowledged that Almost Heaven had passed inspection earlier in 2008. Donnemeyer noted that Susan West, director of the Bureau of Dog Law, was at the kennel during a passing inspection less than two months before the raid.

"Do you see any notation there of dogs inretched, deplorable conditions?" asked Eckhart's attorney, Jeff Conrad, referred Donnemeyer to an earlier inspection report.

"No," Donnemeyer replied.

Conrad showed the jury dozens of his own photos, ones intended to undercut the prosecution's claim that Eckhart ran a filthy kennel. All the images were taken on Oct. 1, 2008 —

the day of the raid.

Many of the photos portrayed tidy, clean cages stocked with food, water and toys. Others showed hoses, bottles of cleaning solution, a vacuum cleaner and a broom. Another portrayed a mother with her puppies nestled on clean bedding.

Conrad also raised some of the finer points of the state's kennel regulations, suggesting to jurors that wardens could be arbitrary and capricious if they wanted to be.

"There's a nasty old weed here," he said, referring to vegetation in one photo. "Could that be a violation if you wanted it to be?"

"Correct," Donnemeyer said.

Conrad has suggested the case was concocted by headline-seeking animal-welfare officials, noting the raid drew heavy media coverage. He suggested the buildup of feces and urine took place during the course of the raid because agents prevented Eckhart and other employees of Almost Heaven from cleaning.

Donnemeyer rejected that explanation. She said it was obvious the kennel hadn't been cleaned in a long time.

"That amount of feces doesn't accumulate in a few hours," she said. "It didn't just happen."

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## \$29B budget passes Pa. House

HARRISBURG (AP) — Led by Democrats eager to show they're serious about delivering a state budget on time, the House on Tuesday approved a \$29 billion state budget bill and sent it to the Senate where it is certain to face revisions by Republicans eager to rein in spending.

The bill largely mirrors the budget that Democratic Gov. Ed Rendell unveiled last month. It would boost spending by about 4 percent, even though Republicans warn that Pennsylvania's lagging tax collections are threatening to tilt the plan out of balance by hundreds of millions of dollars.

The House approved the bill, 107-89, with support from every Democrat who voted and five Republicans.

Rep. Dwight Evans, the House Appropriations Committee Chairman, called it a (fragile), no-tax-increase bill that cuts basic spending in most areas while packing a big increase for what he called the state's most important investment — public schools.

"To me, that's an investment

worth fighting for," Evans, D-Philadelphia, said in an interview. "It's an investment in our families, our children and our economic future. ... It recognizes that we've got some challenges for the future and on top of that, we're getting it done on time."

Much of the rest of the approximately \$1.1 billion spending increase is being driven by human service programs and the state's expanding prison population.

The bill goes to the GOP-controlled Senate, where Republican budget makers are watching to see the results of the state's big revenue months of March and April.

Senate Appropriations Committee Chairman Jake Corman, R-Centre, said a continued slide in tax collections this year could rip a hole as large as \$700 million in the House Democratic plan. Republican senators discussed the budget behind closed doors Tuesday and will continue doing so in the coming weeks, he said.

"I don't think anything that

happened today moves the process forward," Corman said. "You've got to be responsible."

House Republican leaders said the bill does not recognize the state's weak tax collections, the looming public pension crisis and disappearing federal budget aid that could deliver a multibillion-dollar fiscal wallop within two years. However, the GOP did not propose amendments or make lengthy speeches in an effort to force changes in the measure.

The House did not pass an accompanying revenue bill that is legally necessary each year to pay for the spending. It also did not take up various tax increases proposed by Rendell to address the anticipated fiscal cliff in 2012. Those proposals included broadening the state sales tax, levying new taxes on natural-gas production and requiring more businesses to pay the corporate net income tax.

No increase in any broad-based tax is necessary to fund the spending plan for the approaching 2010-11 fiscal year, Democrats contend.

## EMS workers face punishment in death

PITTSBURGH (AP) — The city intends to fire one emergency worker and suspend three others over their involvement in the death of a man who waited 30 hours for an ambulance during a powerful snowstorm last month, its public safety director said Tuesday.

The four are accused of violating a city emergency services policy to take necessary action. One of them also faces a neglect of duty violation; another faces an unbecoming conduct violation.

Radio transmissions between emergency workers in which

a paramedic said they were not operating a "cab service" showed a lack of compassion, said Michael Huss, the city's public safety director.

Curtis Mitchell, 50, and his girlfriend, Sharon Edge, began calling 911 early Feb. 6 because Mitchell was having severe abdominal pain. He had a history of pancreatitis, an inflammation of the pancreas, and had been hospitalized nine days in late January.

Their calls came as heavy snow was falling — so heavy it would all but bring the city to a standstill. Nearly 30 hours later — and 10 calls from the couple to 911, four 911 calls to them and at least a dozen calls between 911 and paramedics — Mitchell died at his home. Autopsy results in Mitchell's death are pending, awaiting toxicology test results.

Recordings show Mitchell or Edge canceled several

calls when told the ambulance couldn't make it to his home because of the snow.

Paramedics could have called for other resources, such as a four-wheel drive or help from the fire department, Huss said.

"People will argue, 'Well, the call was canceled every time.' And the way I see it is very simple: We created that cancel. Our lack of effort created the cancel," Huss said. "We failed. We failed as a service and a department."

Paramedics' union President Anthony Weimann said the union will fight the punishment of its two members, Josie Dimon and Kim Long. Dimon faces a five-day suspension and firing. Long faces a three-day suspension.

He said the city did not have a plan to handle the snow emergency and paramedics weren't given all the information they needed.

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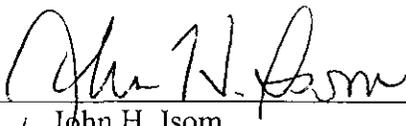
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