IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF WAYNE COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

MILLIE TOMBLIN dba C & J SECURITY,

Plaintiff,

v.

EAGLE PIPELINE, LLC, an Ohio corporation, COLUMBIA PIPELINE GROUP, INC., a Delaware corporation; and COLUMBIA PIPELINE GROUP SERVICES COMPANY, a Delaware corporation,

Civil Action No. 16-C-34

Judge Pratt

Defendants.

AMENDED COMPLAINT

For her Amended Complaint, Plaintiff, Millie Tomblin dba C&J Security ["Plaintiff"], states as follows:

Parties, Jurisdiction, and Venue

- 1. Plaintiff is a resident of Mingo County, West Virginia, who does business as C&J Security.
- 2. Defendant, Eagle Pipeline, LLC, an Ohio corporation ["Eagle Pipeline"], does business in Wayne County, West Virginia.
- 3. Defendant, Columbia Pipeline Group, LLC, a Delaware corporation ["CPG"], does business in Wayne County, West Virginia.
- 4. Defendant, Columbia Pipeline Group Services Company, a Delaware corporation ["CPGSC"], does business in Wayne County, West Virginia.

- 5. The dispute which is the subject of this action involves a construction project in Wayne County, West Virginia.
- 6. This Court has jurisdiction over Eagle Pipeline, CPG, and CPGSC pursuant to W. Va. Code § 56-3-33.
 - 7. This Court has venue in this matter pursuant to W. Va. Code § 56-1-1(a)(2).

Factual Background

- 8. Plaintiff reasserts the allegations in Paragraph 1 through 7 of the Amended Complaint.
- 9. Plaintiff entered into a contract with Eagle Pipeline to provide security services for a construction project for which Eagle Pipeline contracted with CPG and/or CPGSC to be conducted, in part, in Wayne County, West Virginia.
- 10. Plaintiff provided security services pursuant to its contract with Eagle Pipeline and submitted invoices for those services attached as Exhibit A.
- 11. Eagle Pipeline has failed to pay Plaintiff's invoices, which total \$61,387.00, attached as Exhibit A.
- 12. Upon information and belief, CPG and/or CPGSC terminated its contract with Eagle Pipeline alleging, in part, that Eagle Pipeline had not paid its subcontractors, including Plaintiff.
- 13. Upon information and belief, CPG and/or CPGSC have withheld in excess of \$1.7 million payable by CPG and/or CPGSC to Eagle Pipeline that CPG and/or CPGSC know Eagle Pipeline owes to its subcontractors, including Plaintiff.

- 14. Upon information and belief, CPG and/or CPGSC have withheld in excess of \$1.7 million payable by CPG and/or CPGSC to Eagle Pipeline that CPG and/or CPGSC know Eagle Pipeline owes to its subcontractors, including Plaintiff, as a result of an unrelated dispute between CPG and/or CPGSC and Eagle Pipeline over Eagle Pipeline's assertion of a right to payments as a result to CPG and/or CPGSC's unilateral changes to the project specifications.
- 15. Plaintiff has requested that CPG and/or CPGSC pay to Plaintiff or Eagle Pipeline the \$61,387.00 owed by Eagle Pipeline to Plaintiff which CPG and/or CPGSC and Eagle Pipeline do not dispute, but CPG and/or CPGSC have refused to do so citing their separate and independent dispute with Eagle Pipeline.
- 16. Plaintiff has requested that CPG and/or CPGSC interplead the \$61,387.00 owed by Eagle Pipeline to Plaintiff which CPG and/or CPGSC and Eagle Pipeline do not dispute, but CPG and/or CPGSC have refused to do so citing their separate and independent dispute with Eagle Pipeline.
- 17. Plaintiff's \$61,387.00 is being held hostage by CPG and/or CPGSC for the improper purpose of extracting a ransom from Eagle Pipeline relative to CPG and/or CPGSC's contractual dispute with Eagle Pipeline.

Count I - Breach of Contract

- 18. Plaintiff reasserts the allegations in Paragraph 1 through 17 of the Amended Complaint.
- 19. Eagle Pipeline has a contractual obligation to pay Plaintiff \$61,387.00 as reflected in the invoices attached as Exhibit A.

- 20. Eagle Pipeline has breached its contractual obligation to pay Plaintiff \$61,387.00 as reflected in the invoices attached as Exhibit A.
- 21. Plaintiff is entitled to judgment against Eagle Pipeline in the amount of \$61,387.00 as of dates of the invoices attached as Exhibit A and is entitled to prejudgment interest, post-judgment interest, and court costs.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff requests judgment against Eagle Pipeline for breach of contract in the amount of \$61,387.00 and for pre-judgment interest, post-judgment interest, and court costs.

Count II - Tortious Interference

- 22. Plaintiff reasserts the allegations in Paragraph 1 through 21 of the Amended Complaint.
- 23. Plaintiff had a contract with Eagle Pipeline to provide security services for a construction project for which Eagle Pipeline contracted with CPG and/or CPGSC.
- 24. CPG and/or CPGSC were not parties to the contract between Plaintiff and Eagle Pipeline.
- 25. CPG and/or CPGSC have intentionally interfered in the contractual relationship between Plaintiff and Eagle Pipeline by intentionally withholding in excess of \$1.7 million payable by CPG and/or CPGSC to Eagle Pipeline that CPG and/or CPGSC know Eagle Pipeline owes to its subcontractors, including Plaintiff, as a result of an unrelated dispute between CPG and/or CPGSC and Eagle Pipeline over Eagle Pipeline's assertion of a right to payments as a result to CPG and/or CPGSC's unilateral changes to the project specifications.

relationship between Plaintiff and Eagle Pipeline, Plaintiff has suffered damages and harm,

As a result of CPG and/or CPGSC's intentional interference in the contractual

including but not limited to economic damages, non-economic damages, attorney fees, and court

costs.

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27. CPG and/or CPGSC's intentional interference in the contractual relationship

between Plaintiff and Eagle Pipeline were the result of the conduct that was carried out by CPG

AND/OR CPGSC with actual malice toward the Plaintiff or a conscious, reckless and outrageous

indifference to the health, safety and welfare of others.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff requests judgment against CPG and/or CPGSC for tortious

interference for economic damages, including but not limited to the amount owed by Eagle

Pipeline to Plaintiff, lost profits, attorney fees, litigation expenses, and court costs; non-economic

damages, including emotional distress; punitive damages; and attorney fees, litigation expenses,

and court costs.

Trial by jury is demanded.

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