

**THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA**

**MINUTES**

**ENGINEERING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE**

**January 7, 2013**

On behalf of the Engineering and Operations Committee, Director Peterson called the meeting to order at 11:45 a.m. in Committee Room 2-145 at Metropolitan's Headquarters.

Members present: Directors Babcock, Barbre, Camacho, DeJesus, Little, Montalvo, Morris, Record, Steiner, and Wright.

Members absent: Chair Evans, Vice Chair Brown, Directors Grunfeld, Lowenthal, Millard, and Sanchez.

Other Board members present: Directors Ballin, Dick, J. Edwards, Lewinger, Pringle, and Wilson.

Staff present: Arita, Bednarski, Bennion, G. Boyd, R. Brown, L. Carillo, H. Collins, J. Green, G. Johnson, Kightlinger, Koch, Krysa, Lambeck, W. Lieu, A. Lopez, Man, M. Parsons, M. Stewart, Riss, B. Rogers, M. Rojas, M. Stewart, O. Tucker, Vrsalovich, B. Yu, and B. Yamasaki.

**1. OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COMMITTEE ON MATTERS WITHIN THE COMMITTEE'S JURISDICTION**

No members responded.

**2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE ENGINEERING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD DECEMBER 10, 2012.**

Motion Carried      Moved: Director Steiner      Seconded: Director Camacho

Votes: Unanimous

### 3. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS – ACTION

**7-1**        Subject:            Appropriate \$790,000; and authorize (1) preliminary design of seismic upgrades for the 6.9kV switch houses at the Colorado River Aqueduct pumping plants; and (2) \$900,000 agreement with Ninyo & Moore for environmental services (Approp. 15438)

Presented by:    None

Motion:            Adopt the CEQA determination and  
a. Appropriate \$790,000;  
b. Authorize preliminary design of seismic upgrades for the 6.9 kV switch houses on the Colorado River Aqueduct; and  
c. Authorize agreement with Ninyo & Moore in an amount not to exceed \$900,000 for site assessment services

Motion Carried    Moved: Director Morris        Seconded: Director Babcock

Votes: Unanimous

**7-2**        Subject:            Award \$672,288.37 procurement contract to CDW to furnish data communication equipment (Approp. 15376)

Presented by:    None

Motion:            Adopt the CEQA determination and award \$672,288.37 procurement contract to CDW, to furnish data communication equipment.

Motion Carried    Moved: Director Morris        Seconded: Director Babcock

Votes: Unanimous

**7-3**        Subject:            Appropriate \$900,000; and authorize final design of sodium hypochlorite and sulfuric acid facilities at the F. E. Weymouth Water Treatment Plant (Approp. 15392)

Presented by:    None

Motion:            Adopt the CEQA determination and  
a. Appropriate \$900,000; and  
b. Authorize final design of sodium hypochlorite and sulfuric acid facilities at the Weymouth plant.

Motion Carried    Moved: Director Morris    Seconded: Director Babcock

Votes: Unanimous

**7-4**      Subject:            Appropriate \$160,000; and authorize final design of a cathodic protection system for the Sepulveda Feeder (Approp. 15441)

Presented by:    None

Motion:            Adopt the CEQA determination and  
a.    Appropriate \$160,000; and  
b.    Authorize final design of current drain stations on the Sepulveda Feeder.

Motion Carried    Moved: Director Morris    Seconded: Director Babcock

Votes: Unanimous

#### **4. OTHER BOARD ITEMS – ACTION**

8-1      Subject:            Appropriate \$14.5 million; and award \$9,983,091 contract to J. F. Shea Construction, Inc. for filter surface wash upgrades at Module No. 1 of the Joseph Jensen Water Treatment Plant (Approp. 15442)

Presented by:    Engineering Services Group Engineer Burt Yu

Motion:            Adopt the CEQA determination and  
a.    Appropriate \$14.5 million; and  
b.    Award \$9,983,091 contract to J. F. Shea Construction, Inc. to construct the Jensen Module No. 1 Filter Surface Wash Upgrades.

Motion Carried    Moved: Director Morris    Seconded: Director Steiner

Votes: Unanimous

#### **5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS**

None

## 6. COMMITTEE ITEMS

None

## 7. MANAGEMENT REPORTS

a. Subject: Water System Operations Manager's report

Presented by: Group Manager Jim Green

Mr. Green provided an update on current system operations, and reviewed the upcoming shutdown schedule. Mr. Green responded to a follow-up question from December's Finance & Insurance Committee meeting on how the State Water Project equipment outages impacted state water contract expenses.

b. Subject: Engineering Services Manager's report

Presented by: Group Manager Gordon Johnson

Mr. Johnson gave an update on current electrical projects taking place at the CRA pumping plants, and at the Diemer and Weymouth treatment plants.

## 8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

None

## 9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

Next meeting will be held on February 11, 2013.

Meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Glen Peterson