## DUTCHESS COUNTY RESOURCE RECOVERY AGENCY FEBRUARY 19, 2015 – MEETING MINUTES

A meeting of the Dutchess County Resource Recovery Agency convened at 5:00 p.m. at the offices of the Agency located at 96 Sand Dock Road, Poughkeepsie, New York. Those present included J. Small, Chairman; W. Nussbickel, Treasurer; K. Williams, Secretary; Board Members, T. LeGrand, D. Petrovits and R. Flanagan Frost; Agency Staff, W. J. Calogero, D. Walsh and C. Tamney; Agency Counsel, J. Nelson; and D. Leibnitz, HDR.

- **1.** Regular Session Chairman J. Small called the meeting to order at 5:07 pm.
- Minutes Chairman J. Small presented the minutes of the January 22, 2015 board meeting. A motion to approve the January 22, 2015 board meeting minutes was made by K. Williams, seconded by W. Nussbickel and unanimously approved with R. Flanagan Frost abstaining.
- 3. Operating Report D. Walsh reported that the budget set for 2015 incoming tonnage is 154,000 tons. In January the Facility received 11,335 tons of waste, short by 379 tons as the budget for the month was set at 11,714 tons. This amount of waste received is typical for this time of year, especially with the inclement weather conditions experienced for the month. There was no incoming waste on Tuesday, January 27<sup>th</sup>.
- 4. Engineer Report D. Leibnitz reported that in January the total net Agency tons was 11,335 tons of MSW received. The official performance of the Facility in January was 311.35 net kWh/NAT electrical generation, 4.00% ferrous recovery and 39.63% wet ash generation. A sum of \$33,681.60 was credited by Wheelabrator on their January invoice for exceeding the 32.0% ash residue limit. Wheelabrator has initiated an ash residue moisture reduction program that has the Facility operations and maintenance personnel as the key drivers of the program. HDR attended the first meeting and was pleased with the program presented. Initial water removal procedures related to the staging of trailers to allow maximum drain time has met some resistance from the MBI drivers but this is scheduled to be addressed.

The formal half-year reconciliations (two reconciliations – one for Covanta as operator and one for Wheelabrator as operator) were submitted to Sedore & Company on February 11, 2015.

During the 27 days since the prior board meeting the availability of the Unit #1 was 96.1%. Every shut down was due to a shortage of waste in the pit. Unit #2 had an availability of 100% and the turbine generator had an availability of 100%. The electrical generating rate in the first 17 days of February was 303 kWh/NAT per contract calculations. Actual electrical generation was estimated to be approximately the same value.

Both units are presently running at reduced loads because of low waste inventory. The Facility is presently operating in the range of 65,000 to 75,000 pph total steam production. On February 18, 2015, at noon, the pit contained approximately 800 tons of MSW.

Wheelabrator provided HDR with a detailed list of repair activity performed in January. The spring outage is still scheduled for April 6 through 17.

The Title V Annual Audit Report and the Quarterly, Semi-Annual and Annual Environmental Compliance Certification Reports were delivered to the NYSDEC on January 30, 2015.

HDR has been assisting the Agency's legal counsel in seeking the return of several missing documents taken by Covanta that are required by the solid waste and air permits as well as many additional documents that will be needed if the Facility is subjected to an audit by the USEPA. The USEPA has been actively conducting these audits during the last year.

**5.** Agency Financial Report – C. Tamney presented the payables in the amount of \$1,005,638.53. A motion to approve the bills as presented in the amount of \$1,005,638.53 was made by T. LeGrand, seconded by K. Williams and unanimously approved.

There were no further questions regarding the Financials.

- 6. Public Comment There was no public comment.
- 7. Executive Session At 5:43 pm a motion to move into Executive Session was made from D. Petrovits, seconded by W. Nussbickel and unanimously approved for attorney/client matters relating to the hiring/firing or promotion of a particular person, firm or corporation and discussions relating to a contract with a particular entity.
- **8.** Regular Session The meeting resumed back into public session at 6:33 pm.

## Resolution No. 800 Metals Contract Extension Modification

This Resolution authorizes the Executive Director to execute a contract extension modification with Upstate Shredding, LLC for five years as previously approved without a guarantee to restore the \$89 per ton base price. A motion to approve Resolution No. 800 was made by T. LeGrand, seconded by K. Williams and unanimously approved.

Regarding the Agency's budget, the Board nominated Chairman J. Small, W. Nussbickel, and K. Williams along with W. Calogero and Agency Counsel J. Nelson, to pursue further discussions of the Agency's budget with the County of Dutchess.

With no further business to discuss at 6:35 pm a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by T. LeGrand, seconded by D. Petrovits and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

William J. Calogero Executive Director