

DUTCHESS COUNTY RESOURCE RECOVERY AGENCY

APRIL 17, 2014 – 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; R. Mosca, Vice-Chairman; K. Williams, Secretary; and T. E. LeGrand, Board Member; Agency Staff, W. J. Calogero, D. Walsh and C. Tamney; Agency Counsel, J. Nelson; D. Leibnitz, HDR; and M. Cavaliere, Covanta Hudson Valley Renewable Energy LLC.

- 1. Regular Session** – Chairman J. Small called the meeting to order at 5:10 pm.
- 2. Minutes** – Chairman J. Small presented the minutes of the March 20, 2014 board meeting. A motion to approve the March 20, 2014 board meeting minutes was made by T. E. LeGrand, seconded by R. Mosca and unanimously approved.
- 3. Operating Report** – D. Walsh reported that the budget for the month of March was set at receiving 10,368 tons of waste and the Facility received 12,853 tons; 2,485 tons over budget. Covanta contributed to that number in February by transporting 1,100 tons of transfer station waste into the Facility. The year-to-date tonnage is close to 5,000 tons over budget.
- 4. Engineer Report** – D. Leibnitz reported that in March the Facility processed approximately 13,347 tons of MSW with an average availability of 89.2%, 100.0% on Units 1, 2 and the turbine/generator, respectively. The downtime on Unit 1 was primarily due to the scheduled boiler wash outage. Since the last report, from March 22 until April 15, Unit 1 ran at 100% availability. Unit 2 was taken down from March 18 until March 23 for outage activities in preparation of the annual stack test.

The pit contains approximately 1800 tons of MSW. In a spot check this past Wednesday at 2 pm, the Facility was producing approximately only 72,000 pph of steam and generating 5.5 MW. The low steam flow was due to repairs being made on the ash handling equipment. Ash residue was being deposited directly into the residue trucks, bypassing the processing equipment, and therefore had to be returned to the pit so that the metals and oversized components could be recovered when it was reprocessed.

In March, the Facility was generating power at an efficiency of approximately 258 to 276 kWh per ton of MSW.

There have been no additional discussions with the NYS DEC related to the draft Part 360 Solid Waste Management permit conditions. However, the Agency has been advised that the replacement of Mr. Martin Brand has been appointed and is scheduled to start on April 28th. The new Region 3 Supervisor for the Division of Materials Management will be Mr. James Lansing, P.E.

The annual emissions compliance stack test is presently scheduled to start the week of May 19th. In preparation, Covanta stated that they performed boiler wash outages for both units. Other than boiler cleaning and inspections, the only major repair work stated by Covanta as being performed related to the reliability of the Facility during the performance of the annual stack test was that on Unit 2 they replaced all the baghouse bags and sealed up all known leaks in the baghouse skin. At the present rate of throughput, the Facility should be able to accumulate a good supply of dry MSW for the performance of the stack test.

5. **Agency Financial Report** – C. Tamney presented the payables in the amount of \$1,351,986.50. The following questions were asked: What does the Agency pay the NYS Dept. of Agriculture & Markets for? C. Tamney replied it is for the weigh master licenses. What is the payment to the Dutchess County Commissioner of Finance for? C. Tamney replied that it is for the employee benefits; health, life, etc. What are the Central Hudson \$6,330.00 hook-up charges? C. Tamney replied that it pertains to the substation at the end of Sand Dock Road. It is a bill sent every month that increases every year and is on an ongoing basis. A motion to approve the bills in the amount of \$1,351,986.50 as presented was made by T. E. LeGrand, seconded by R. Mosca and unanimously approved.

On the Profit and Loss Analysis, J. Small asked to clarify Overtime 1 and 2. C. Tamney replied that it is the way the bookkeeping system was originally set up; everything that pertained to overtime for personnel was automatically split between the MRF and RRF sites. He also questioned the electrical fees of \$31,916.00. C. Tamney replied that it is Covanta's portion of the Facility's electrical generation money they receive.

6. **Public Comment** – There was no public comment.
7. **Executive Session** – At 5:40 pm a motion to move into Executive Session was made from R. Mosca, seconded by T. E. LeGrand and unanimously approved for attorney/client discussions relating to the hiring a particular person, firm or corporation.
8. **Regular Session** – A motion was made by T. E. LeGrand, seconded by R. Mosca and unanimously approved to resume back to public session at 6:25 pm.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 6:28 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

William J. Calogero
Executive Director