

DUTCHESS COUNTY RESOURCE RECOVERY AGENCY

JUNE 18, 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; R. Mosca, Vice-Chairman; W. Nussbickel, Treasurer/Secretary, T. LeGrand and R. Frost, Board Members; Agency Staff, W. J. Calogero, D. Walsh and C. Tamney; Agency Counsel, J. Nelson; D. Leibnitz, HDR; and A. Surman, Dutchess County Legislator.

- 1. Regular Session** – Chairman J. Small called the meeting to order at 5:14 pm.
- 2. Operating Report** – D. Walsh reported that the budget set for incoming waste for the month of May was 14,214 tons and the Facility received 14,258 tons, 44 tons over budget. The year-to-date tonnage is 98 tons over budget. The pit level remains high.
- 3. Engineer Report** – D. Leibnitz reported that in May 2015 the total net Agency tons was 14,257.86 tons and the Facility sold 4,388.13 MW to CHG&E. The net energy conversion performance rate in May was 307.77 kWh/NAT. The ferrous recovery in May was 4.15 percent of NAT. The wet ash residue was 33.74 percent of NAT. These monthly results represent an improvement in electrical generation efficiency and ash quality (i.e. reduced weight) following the major outage in April. In May the Facility ran 93.6%, 97.9% and 99.6% availability on Units 1, 2 and the T/G and it is estimated that waste was processed at a rate close to the permit limit of 456 tons per day. Unit 1 had a small waterwall leak, Unit 2 was shut down to inspect an ID Fan vibration alarm and T/G vibration (at the generator/reduction gear connection) tripped off the unit. The T/G vibration may or may not be a residual effect of the “minimalistic” turbine outage performed by Covanta in 2013.

Pit levels remain very high averaging between 3500 and 3800 tons. The efficiency of Unit 1, Unit 2 and the T/G in the first half of June has been 100%, 100% and 100%, respectively and the units continue to run at near their permit limit.

- 4. Agency Financial Report** – C. Tamney presented the payables in the amount of \$1,282,416.36. Chairman J. Small asked about the amount charged for the Covanta litigation under the HDR bill for \$35,311.88. D. Leibnitz replied it is approximately \$13,000.00. Other charges include environmental stack testing, environmental service fees and general engineering work. J. Nelson spoke about the J. Catania law firm bill for \$6,778.13 and reminded the Board that the Resolution the Board authorized for this service covered a \$5,000.00 limitation. Chairman J. Small replied that based on the assumption that this service was not to exceed \$5,000.00, the Board will agree to pay only the \$5,000.00 and request J. Nelson to contact the J. Catania law firm for more details associated with the fees. A motion to pay the payables with an amended total of \$1,280,638.23 was made by R. Mosca, seconded by R. Frost and unanimously approved.

The HDR Engineering budget was reviewed. The annual budget was set at \$180,000.00 and the expenses to date are \$138,870.00. D. Leibnitz replied that approximately \$32,000.00 of those expenses were for the environmental work done that Wheelabrator was not able to complete.

5. **Public Comment** – There was no public comment.

6. **Executive Session** – At 5:30 pm a motion to move into Executive Session was made from T. LeGrand, seconded by R. Mosca and unanimously approved for the purpose of discussing contractual relations with particular persons, firms, and corporations.

7. **Regular Session** – The meeting resumed back into public session at 6:35 pm.

With no further business to discuss a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:36 pm was made by T. LeGrand, seconded by R. Mosca and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

William J. Calogero
Executive Director