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OFFICIAL MINUTES OF:

Meeting of:	CEO Committee Meeting
Date:	October 18, 2006
Time:	10:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Vincent J. Mesolella, NBC Chairman
Angelo Rotella, Vice Chairman
Paul Pinault, Executive Director
Robert Andrade, Treasurer
Michael Salvatore, CEO Chair
Al Montanari
Patrick Caine
John MacQueen
Jonathan Farnum

MEMBERS ABSENT

STAFF AND GUESTS PRESENT

Jean-Marie Grossi, NBC,
Raymond Marshall, NBC
Thomas Brueckner, NBC
Karen Giebink, NBC
Francie Brown, NBC
Cecille Antonelli, NBC
Dan Smith, NBC
Joseph Pratt, LBG

Paul Nordstrom, NBC
Thomas Uva, NBC
Richard Bernier, NBC
Leah Foster, NBC
Brenda Smith, NBC
Diane Buerger
Thomas Lazieh, Commissioner
Eric Schweizer

1. Call to Order

Recognizing a quorum, CEO Chair Salvatore called the October 18, 2006 Construction/Engineering/Operations (CEO) Committee Meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

2. **Approval of Minutes – September 27, 2006**

CEO Chair Salvadore asked if all Committee members had a chance to review the minutes of the September 27, 2006 CEO Committee meeting. Commissioner Farnum motioned to approve the September 27, 2006 CEO Committee minutes as written. Commissioner MacQueen seconded the motion, and the vote taken by the CEO Committee was unanimous. The motion carries.

3. **Items for Action**

A. *Review and Approval of Resolution 2006:36, Authorization to Acquire Temporary and Permanent Easements for Contract 304.09, Replacement and Rehabilitation of the Burrington Street and Grotto Brook Interceptor Sewers*

Mr. Pinault stated that NBC staff has been working on this Project for quite some time. The project includes the rehabilitation and/or replacement of a sewer we own on Burrington Street in the city of Providence and a siphon under Grotto Brook, on the Eastside downstream from Butler Hospital. He noted that the design is nearing completion for this project, and NBC must now acquire both permanent and temporary easements for the construction.

Mr. Pinault passed out two different maps of the area to all members of the CEO Committee. He noted that regarding Burrington Street, we have a pipe that runs under the Amtrak railroad tracks that has structural problems, and we have to install a new line under the tracks. This work will require the acquisition of permanent easements and some temporary easements. The map shows a cross-hatch area highlighted in red, and he noted that this document has been revised from what was mailed to the Committee last week. The memo included in all Committee members' packets has been revised and denotes the revisions in bold.

Mr. Pinault stated that two appraisals were performed and a review appraisal has been completed. He noted that, basically, how this works is NBC has two appraisals done and a review appraisal, and NBC always takes the recommendation of the review appraiser. Once the Board approves it, then the matter will go before the State Properties Committee for their approval. Once NBC receives approval from the State Properties Committee, NBC will approach the owners of the property to make an offer for the easement. He noted they have three options: 1) The property owner can either accept the offer as is, and give a release to the NBC; 2) The owner can accept the offer and reserve their right for one year to appeal it; or 3) The third option is for the property owner to appeal it. He noted that if that was the case, NBC would have put the money in the Superior Court Registry. In the meantime, NBC would have the right to proceed with the construction.

Mr. Pinault noted the second map handed out is a summary of the Grotto Brook area denoting both temporary and permanent easements. In this case, we are not only relocating our siphon that runs under Grotto Brook, but we also have to relocate a line that is owned by the City. He also noted that on the second page of staff's recommendation memo, there is a summary of the appraisals performed for the temporary and permanent easements.

After some discussion, Mr. Pinault recommended the approval of Resolution 2006:36, Authorization to Acquire Temporary and Permanent Easements for Contract 304.09, Replacement and Rehabilitation of the Burrington Street and Grotto Brook Interceptor Sewers.

Vice-Chair Rotella motioned to approve Resolution 2006: 36, Authorization to Acquire Temporary and Permanent Easements for Contract 304.09, Replacement and Rehabilitation of the

Burrington Street and Grotto Brook Interceptor Sewers as recommended by staff. Commissioner Andrade seconded the motion, and the vote taken by the CEO Committee was unanimous. The motion carries.

B. Review and Approval of Resolution 2006:37, Authorization to Enter into a Contract for Design Services with SEA Consultants, Inc., for Biological Nitrogen Removal and Other Improvements at the Field's Point Wastewater Treatment Facility

Mr. Pinault noted that as the Committee is aware, NBC has spent over eighteen (18) months negotiating with the RIDEM on our new permit for Bucklin Point and Field's Point for nutrient removal. He noted that for the Field's Point facility, NBC and RIDEM agreed to plan, design and construct a facility that would achieve 5 mg/l of nitrogen. NBC agreed to submit a Facility Plan to the RIDEM for their review and approval by August 31, 2006. Once the NBC Facility Plan is reviewed by the RIDEM, then a public hearing will be held, and NBC will have eighteen (18) months after the date RIDEM approves the plan to submit final plans and specifications.

Mr. Pinault stated that staff came before the Board a couple of months ago for the approval and authority to pre-qualify the vendor for the nutrient removal system and prepare the Request for Qualifications (RFQ). He noted the next step is to complete the design work. He noted that we want to be able to negotiate the design contract up-front, so that we can start the work as soon as we get the approval of the Facility Plan from the RIDEM.

Mr. Pinault noted that the estimated construction cost for the upgrade to the Field's Point facility is \$28 Million based on NBC's Facility Plan. He noted that for a Project of this type, design services are estimated to be 7% of the estimated capital cost, which is \$1,960,000. Mr. Pinault stated that Guertin Elkerton & Associates, Inc., has been the engineer of record on this Project. They have been recently acquired by SEA Consultants, Inc., and they are now SEA Consultants, Inc.

With no questions or comments, Commissioner Caine motioned to approve Resolution 2006:37, Authorization to Enter into a Contract for Design Services with SEA Consultants, Inc., for Biological Nitrogen Removal and Other Improvements at the Field's Point Wastewater Treatment Facility. Commissioners' Farnum and MacQueen seconded the motion, and the vote taken by the CEO Committee was unanimous. The motion carries.

4. Other Business

None to report.

5. Adjournment

Vice-Chair Rotella motioned to adjourn. Commissioners' Gray and Farnum seconded the motion, and the meeting adjourned at 10:22 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Paul Pinault".

Paul Pinault, *Secretary*