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1 STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
2 NARRAGANSETT BAY COMMISSION

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4 IN RE: MONTHLY BOARD MEETING OF THE COMMISSION

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DATE: OCTOBER 18, 2006

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TIME: 11:00 A.M.

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NARRAGANSETT BAY COMMISSION

CORPORATE OFFICE BUILDING

ONE SERVICE ROAD

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PROVIDENCE, RI 02905

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MEMBERS PRESENT:

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VINCENT MESOLELLA, CHAIRMAN

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ANGELO ROTELLA

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MICHAEL SALVADORE

THOMAS LAZIEH

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LESLIE GRAY, III

R. DAVID CRUISE

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JOHN MACQUEEN

LEO THOMPSON

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ALAN NATHAN

JONATHAN FARNUM

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BRUCE CAMPBELL

PATRICK CANE

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AL MONTANARI

ROBERT ANDRADE

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RICHARD WORRELL

PAUL PINAULT, SECRETARY

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JOSEPH D'ANGELIS, ESQUIRE

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25 SEA VIEW AVENUE

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(COMMENCED AT 11:03 A.M.)

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THE CHAIRMAN: If I can kindly ask

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the commissioners to take their appointed seats so

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4 we can begin the meeting. Recognizing a quorum,
5 we will call the Narragansett Bay Commission
6 meeting of October 18th to order.

7 So, let us begin. The first order of
8 business is the approval of the previous minutes
9 of September 27, 2006. Have all the commissioners
10 had an opportunity to review the previous minutes?
11 And if so, are there any comments or corrections
12 with regard to the previous minutes? Comments or
13 questions or corrections on the previous minutes?
14 Hearing none.

15 MR. MACQUEEN: Moved.

16 MR. MONTANARI: Second.

17 THE CHAIRMAN: Commissioner
18 MacQueen moves and Commissioner Montanari seconds
19 the motion to approve the previous minutes; all of
20 those that are in favor will say aye. Are there
21 any opposed? There are none opposed and the
22 motion carries.

23 Next order of business is Old Business;
24 is there any Old Business to come before the

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1 commission, Old Business of any kind? Old
2 Business? Okay, none. Moving right along.

3 Next order of business is the Executive
4 Director's report. Do you have a report for us
5 today, Mr. Secretary?

6 MR. PINAULT: As usual, I do.

7 THE CHAIRMAN: Proceed.

8 MR. PINAULT: I wouldn't

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10 disappoint you. First of all, I would like to
11 mention that last month, as you know, our auditors
12 were here and gave us a presentation on the audit
13 and the comprehensive annual financial report.
14 Since that time, as Vice Chairman Rotella has
15 mentioned, the final copy has been distributed to
16 the auditor general, the governor, and others, and
17 the board. So you should have all received that
18 since the last meeting.

19 In your packet is my report for the
20 month of September. I'll just hit a few
21 highlights because we have two other presentations
22 today. Basically, Plant Operations, both plants
23 are operating extremely well, meeting all permit
24 conditions, percent removal.

 At Bucklin Point, as you recall, the

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1 plant was designed to remove eight-milligrams per
2 liter of nitrogen even before it was required in
3 our permit. In six months, prior to putting it on
4 line, DEM wanted us to go to five. We, after
5 18 months of negotiation, agreed to do that, but
6 with the condition that they give us two years of
7 operating experience to run the plant that was
8 designed to eight because we feel that it will do
9 better than eight and approach five.

10 We started it up earlier this year. For
11 July, we averaged 7.5; for August, 6.3; and for
12 September, 6.5. We have an interim limit of ten,
13 an ultimate limit of five. We are approaching the
14 five. We are well below the design parameter of

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15 eight and hopefully next year with one year's
16 experience under our belt, we'll even do better
17 next year.

18 And then in November of '07, we have to
19 submit a report to DEM as to whether or not we're
20 in compliance. And we're if not, what we plan to
21 do to get there. So to let you know, that
22 overall, things look good.

23 At Field's Point, page 6, bottom of page 6.
24 We discussed our comments on the facilities plan

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1 with DEM. That was submitted on October 31st.
2 They're going to suggest some minor changes. Once
3 we get those, we'll edit the document and
4 advertise for a public hearing, which will be held
5 in the next couple of months. And then we'll move
6 into design, which is on the agenda today coming
7 out of the CEO Committee.

8 On page 8, Burrington/Grotto Brook sewer
9 repair, that's coming out of the CEO today. It's
10 a recommendation to acquire permanent/temporary
11 easements now that we're nearing completion of
12 design so that we can move that project to
13 construction.

14 Page 10, summary of construction.
15 Demolition of Field's Point incinerator and sludge
16 facilities, as of September 30th, is 81 percent
17 complete. And as of today, it's even more that.
18 Basically the buildings are all down. You
19 probably noticed when you drove into the site the

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21 crane, the structural steel has been removed,
22 which is an eyesore. It's moving along and should
23 be done in a couple of weeks.

24 Miscellaneous improvements at Field's
Point and Bucklin Point is just getting underway.

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1 Upgrade of the operations building, where Kite is
2 finishing up the design, and we should have a
3 biddable plan and specs by the end of year. The
4 main spine tunnel is 94 percent complete and on
5 schedule. The tunnel pumping station is
6 14 percent and on schedule.

7 Cured-in-place lining at various
8 locations, bottom of page 11, that is moving
9 along. We worked very closely with BLB and
10 Commissioner MacQueen and the officials in Lincoln
11 for the new Lincoln Park facility that's being
12 constructed. We had some capacity issues in the
13 line on Louissusset Pike.

14 We were in the process of planning and
15 designing a new pipe to go up there, but they
16 needed the capacity by December of this year and
17 to go through the normal design construction, it
18 wasn't going to happen.

19 So we imposed a condition on them to
20 line the existing pipe to obtain additional
21 capacity and they actually gave us a check for a
22 quarter of a million dollars. They asked us to do
23 it for them. We did and it cost us about
24 \$200,000. The work is done and we will not hold

1 up their tie-in. So, just to let you know, I
2 didn't have a chance to tell Commissioner
3 MacQueen, but we lived up to our end of the
4 bargain and actually made a little money on it.

5 Washington Highway/Omega Pump Station is
6 22 percent complete, on schedule. The financials,
7 on page 12, with 25 percent of the fiscal year
8 gone by, we're spending at a rate of about
9 22 percent. Personnel, top of page 13. There are
10 246 positions.

11 Proposed changes to Rules and Regs, we
12 talked about that last month at the Rules and Regs
13 Committee, and a public hearing is scheduled for
14 October 30th, and we'll be coming back to the
15 committee and the board later this year with
16 recommendations.

17 Couple of other things, bottom of page
18 25, the next lien sale is scheduled for November
19 16th. We have 321 accounts that were chosen and
20 we're working on that. People are paying.

21 And then page 26, under Miscellaneous,
22 after last month's okay, I sent the letter of
23 intent to the city of East Providence. That was
24 executed and sent to them and we're also working

1 on a follow-up letter and coordinating that with
2 Commissioner Caine to get the ball moving on that,
3 and that is moving along. The monthly Financial
4 Project Schedules and Change Orders Request Logs

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6 are attached. If anyone has any questions, I'll
7 be glad to try and answer them.

8 THE CHAIRMAN: Are there any
9 questions pursuant to the Executive Director's
10 report? Commissioner Lazieh.

11 MR. LAZIEH: Mr. Chairman, just to
12 follow up. I believe we've been negotiating with
13 the city of Providence on the abandonment of the
14 street; is there any further report on it?

15 THE CHAIRMAN: To unify our
16 campus, I was going to raise that issue after the
17 chairman's reports, but since you raised it, there
18 has been no further activity on that. And I was
19 going to ask Commissioner Cruise to get active on
20 that.

21 MR. CRUISE: We'll arrange a
22 meeting.

23 MR. PINAULT: Vice Chairman
24 Rotella and I and Joanne Maceroni met with Mayor
 Cicilline and Mike Mello in the spring. Mike was

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1 carrying the flag on this, and then he left.

2 THE CHAIRMAN: Which is not
3 unusual, but it was going to be part of our report
4 today, so I'm glad you raised the issue now. I
5 want to get active and when I say "active," I mean
6 really active.

7 It's time for us to start to finalize
8 unification of our facility here and we need to
9 take very distinct and positive measures to
10 complete that. We'll get rolling on that. So, I

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11 know Commissioner Rotella has been active with
12 that. I know Paul probably won't be part of that,
13 probably be something we'll embark on on the first
14 of the year, but we'll make sure that that moves
15 along.

16 MR. LAZIEH: Just a follow-up,
17 Mr. Chairman.

18 THE CHAIRMAN: Proceed.

19 MR. LAZIEH: On another site in
20 the city of Providence, the one near the Foundry
21 which we utilized for the main spine shaft, that
22 property, I know there was a great deal of
23 activity.

24 THE CHAIRMAN: I had discussion

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1 with Counsel Bucci on that issue just this past
2 week. We've had several conversations. I believe
3 that he has sent a letter to Mr. Petronio, who is
4 the attorney representing the Quality Beef, the
5 end user of the property, indicating that it's
6 time that we start to move this to closing.

7 My understanding is that they have
8 completed a phase one environmental investigation.
9 I don't know why they did a phase one and wasted
10 their time because all banks and lenders today
11 require, at a minimum, a phase two.

12 So they went and began their phase two
13 investigation. I believe their report is due,
14 maybe today, today, tomorrow, this week anyway,
15 and once they receive their report, they would be

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16 moving to close on that property. So my
17 expectation is that that property will be closed,
18 I'll say before the end of the year. I don't want
19 to say November, but before the end of the year.
20 That's where we are with that.

21 MR. LAZIEH: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

22 THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. Are there
23 any other questions with regard to the Executive
24 Director's report? Okay, hearing none, moving

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1 right along. Other Business. We've been putting
2 this off for the past six months. We have a
3 presentation on the NBC Watershed Explorers
4 Program. Cynthia Morissette is going to be giving
5 us that presentation.

6 MR. MORISSETTE: For those of you
7 that don't know me, I'm Cynthia Morissette and I
8 work with Jamie Sammons in Public Affairs. And
9 one of the hats that I wear is doing our
10 environmental education program with elementary
11 school students in our service districts. So I'm
12 going to give you a little bit of an idea of how
13 the program works and then if you have any
14 questions, feel free to ask me.

15 Basically, this has changed a little
16 bit. Last year, I worked with grades three
17 through six. This year we're just working with
18 grades three through five. What happened with
19 sixth grade is their curriculum changed, so they
20 don't do water quality programs anymore in sixth
21 grade. So we're geared it just for upper

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22 elementary schools.

23 Basically what we do is it's completely
24 hands-on, and the teachers and students are

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1 involved both as much as we are at NBC. They get
2 instructional classroom visits, and at the end of
3 the year, we do accommodating educational
4 symposiums for all the schools involved in the
5 program. This year I have seven schools, last
6 year we had nine. I'm going to give you a little
7 bit of history and then you'll hear how many
8 students we reached as well.

9 We began the program in 2002. We got a
10 grant from the Partnership for Narragansett Bay.
11 The program is completely NBC funded at this
12 point. We don't -- we applied for a grant last
13 year through the EPA and we didn't receive one,
14 and basically the most of our expenses come
15 through busing for transportation for the schools.

16 We spent a little over \$6,000 last year
17 in transportation purposes. So for the rest of
18 the program, I try to keep the cost down by going
19 through companies that will offer us stuff at
20 limited cost as long as we're buying in bulk, so
21 that keeps the costs down for other things like
22 the water quality monitoring equipment that we get
23 for the schools.

24 In the first year, we reached about 225

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2 students from six schools in the communities of
3 Smithfield, Johnston, Providence, North
4 Providence, and Gloucester.

5 And then basically the program started
6 with Environmental Monitoring Department, EMDA,
7 and I took over the program when the person who
8 was running it over there left. So that was in
9 about 2003. In 2004, we extended it to the
10 communities of Central Falls, Pawtucket,
11 Cumberland, and Cranston because they're all in
12 our service districts as well, and we're trying to
13 reach as many communities in our service districts
14 as we can.

15 To date, we've reached over 1,500
16 students which I think is absolutely amazing, and
17 those have been grades three through six. So it's
18 really great. The field trips that we take are to
19 a river site that's near the participating
20 schools.

21 For instance, we've been to Donigian
22 Park in Providence off of Valley Street, Marino
23 Park in Providence. I go to the Mowry
24 Conservation Center in Smithfield. We work with
25 Anna McCabe School quite closely and they're very

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1 close to Mowry Conservation.

2 So what's good about the program is that
3 the students get an idea of how other communities
4 live. The kids in Smithfield at the end of the
5 year get to talk to the kids in Providence and see
6 how the water quality is different. Most of you

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7 know Smithfield has very clean water. Here in
8 Providence, the water quality is a lot different.
9 So it's good when we do the environmental
10 symposium at the end of the school year, the kids
11 get to talk to one another and find out that the
12 program in Providence is different than that in
13 Smithfield.

14 Some of the water quality parameters
15 that we do with the test kits that we use go over
16 things like dissolved oxygen, nitrates, phosphate,
17 pH, turbidity, temperature, and fecal coliform.
18 For a third grade student, these words are pretty
19 difficult to understand, but what we try to do is
20 bring it down to their level.

21 And by the end, most of the kids
22 actually understand what most of these things are
23 important for. They understand that fish need
24 dissolved oxygen to breathe. Nitrogen and

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1 phosphate are nutrients and they learn where they
2 come from, so even though the words are a little
3 bit complex, they understand what they're doing
4 and why it's important.

5 And then we also do macro invertebrates.
6 And for those of you that don't know what those
7 are, they're little critters that swim around in
8 the water. We do a search for those. The kids
9 get to look at them under microscopes. We put
10 them in petri dishes. Some of the students will
11 bring them back to school and do further research

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on them. So it's a pretty cool thing. That's
13 always their favorite thing to do.

14 These are some of the Graniteville
15 School in Johnston. They go to Graystone Pond,
16 which is right near their school. And these are
17 pictures of them doing their water quality tests.
18 You guys can ask questions whenever you need to
19 also.

20 A couple of years back, I changed the
21 program. At first we were only offering field
22 trips to the river sites. Now we do an
23 in-classroom visit every month. So I go in every
24 month. We go over one of the quality parameters

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1 based on lessons on watershed. I always do a
2 lesson on what the wastewater treatment process is
3 because that's what's important to Narragansett
4 Bay Commission. We talk about estuaries and also
5 the protection of Narragansett Bay.

6 So not only do they get the field trip,
7 but they get somebody coming in once a month to go
8 over the things with them to explain why the
9 program is important. And then at the end of the
10 school year, they get to do environmental
11 education symposium. Last year we held it at
12 Rhode Island College. The year before we were
13 right off of Route 6 at one of the parks there.

14 The YMCA was kind enough to let us do it
15 there and it was outside. We had 300 kids last
16 year -- the year previous, last year I had about
17 700. So we did it inside. There wasn't enough

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18 room to hold it outside.

19 The students do a five to ten-minute
20 presentation on things that they've learned
21 throughout the year. So basically what I do is I
22 remind them, "You're doing a presentation at the
23 end of the year. Think of something that's
24 important to you that you've learned so far and

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1 present that to the kids from the other school."
2 We've had them do skits and even some have done
3 data explanations and what they've learned with
4 the dissolved oxygen, nitrate, phosphate and fecal
5 coliform levels.

6 And these are some pictures of when we
7 were at the park in Johnston. Actually, the
8 school that you see up there, Anna McCabe School,
9 they went to the Donigian Park and Mowry
10 Conservation Center because their teacher is very
11 interested in showing them the difference between
12 living in area where there's a lot of woods and
13 living in a city area.

14 So the two diagrams that you see up
15 there, one is of Donigian Park on top and then the
16 other is Mowry Conservation. As you can see, in
17 the top, there is no trees. And on the bottom
18 one, there's a lot of trees and other things
19 around the river.

20 Those kids were actually pretty shocked
21 at the amount of trash that was at Donigian Park.
22 They went actually right after we did a river

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cleanup and there was still a lot of debris left
24 in the water. And in their conservation center,

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1 there's no trash at all. So it was a good thing
2 for them to see.

3 And before I get questions from you, I
4 just wanted to thank Tom Uva's group, John Motta's
5 group, and also Kerry Britt. They help me on
6 field trips. They come out, they know a lot about
7 the environmental science kits that we use and
8 they're wonderful. They're absolutely wonderful.
9 The staff that comes is always very professional
10 and great with the kids.

11 Over on the side, I have a poster up of
12 the watersheds in Narragansett Bay. We always
13 talk to the kids about different watersheds in the
14 area. There is some bookmarks too that on the
15 back explain the program a little bit. And then
16 there's a ton of stuff that the kids have made.
17 There's a book over there that one school made for
18 me and a bunch of thank-you cards for all of the
19 people that have helped.

20 It impacts a lot of kids. It's great.
21 It gets the word out about Narragansett Bay
22 Commission. The schools remember our name. They
23 don't call us Save the Bay anymore, which it's
24 nice for them to know the difference between the

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1 environmental groups that are in their area. Do
2 you guys have any questions?

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3 MR. GRAY: Do you start with "This
4 is the toilet," and go all the way through? Or is
5 this kind of, "This is an environment"?

6 MS. MORISSETTE: When we do the
7 wastewater treatment discussion, we always talk
8 about -- that's what I start with, I start with,
9 "The Narragansett Bay Commission takes care of the
10 pollution that comes from your toilet, your
11 sinks," and you always get the kids going, "Oh,
12 that's so gross. You work at that place."

13 By the end, they understand the
14 connection between their rivers and what we do.
15 That's what we're trying to do, is bridge the gap
16 between why it's important for them to keep their
17 rivers clean, and also why is that important to
18 me, why is that important to Narragansett Bay
19 Commission, because we take care of wastewater.

20 MR. GRAY: You've probably figured
21 out I'm on my PR horse right now, which this is
22 great because it gets the knowledge into their --
23 right now, what percentage of students that come
24 to the schools in the district get this type of

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1 thing? I was looking at the numbers in the book
2 and it's eight percent; is that about right?

3 MS. MORISSETTE: About right.
4 What we try to do every year is offer it to
5 various schools in the service district. And as
6 many people know, last year I got bombarded. We
7 had about 30, 35 schools that wanted to be in the

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program. We just don't have the manpower to do
9 that. I mean that would be great, but

10 MR. GRAY: Your manpower and
11 funding are limited right now?

12 MS. MORISSETTE: Yes. Very much so.

13 MR. THOMPSON: Is there literature
14 to take home to the parents?

15 MS. MORISSETTE: They do.
16 Actually, I always do something that they can
17 bring home. I always make sure that they know
18 that this is something we want them to talk about
19 with their friends too and other classes that
20 aren't doing the program. I've gotten great
21 response. We have chaperones come on our field
22 trips and the parents are wonderful.

23 MR. GRAY: What does it cost to do
24 all the students in the district?

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1 MS. MORISSETTE: The students that
2 we have right now, last year we spent about, I
3 would say, between \$7,000 and \$8,000 total on the
4 program.

5 MR. GRAY: To do eight percent?

6 MS. MORISSETTE: Yes.

7 MR. GRAY: It would be like 12
8 times that to do everybody?

9 MS. MORISSETTE: I mean, it's
10 difficult. Right now, I'm the only one that's
11 going to the schools, so on top of the other
12 things that I do, I go once a month to all the
13 schools that are -- we're working with, which is

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14 seven right now. It's hard. It's hard to do all
15 of that and play other roles as well, but we do
16 the best job we can and I think the kids are
17 really learning from the program, which is the
18 number one concern.

19 MR. WORRELL: What does W-O-O-N?

20 MS. MORISSETTE: We shortened
21 Woonasquatucket because most third graders can't
22 say Woonasquatucket and most people get tripped up
23 with Woon Watershed Explorers anyway, but the kids
24 seem to like that name.

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1 Before I stop, we're actually working
2 with a school in Central Falls which is located on
3 the Blackstone, so not only are we touching the
4 Woonasquatucket Watershed, but we're also touching
5 Blackstone Watershed, too. And they actually at
6 the end of the program will make the connection
7 between how their watershed affects the
8 Woonasquatucket and eventually affects
9 Narragansett Bay. We go all down the maps and
10 show them how their rivers connect to other rivers
11 and other watersheds and then eventually into
12 Narragansett Bay, so they're affecting the bigger
13 picture.

14 MR. LAZIEH: May I ask which
15 school in Central Falls?

16 MS. MORISSETTE: St. Elizabeth Ann
17 Seton Academy. They're great, absolutely great.

18 MR. LAZIEH: Yes. My sons go

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19 there.

20 MS. MORISSETTE: Third, fourth and
21 fifth grade.

22 MR. LAZIEH: One son now is there.
23 He's in the seventh.

24 MS. MORISSETTE: So I missed him

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1 then. We only started working with them last
2 year, but that school is wonderful. The kids are
3 really, really great there.

4 MR. WORRELL: I had another
5 question. Do you have a counterpart in
6 Massachusetts who might be doing the same thing on
7 the Blackstone?

8 MS. MORISSETTE: Well, the
9 Blackstone River Valley, the Tourism Council, I
10 know that they do the river boat and they'll take
11 kids out and they do a little bit of quality
12 monitoring. I don't know how extensive it is. I
13 don't know if they go into the schools the way
14 that we do, but I can definitely look into that.

15 MR. LAZIEH: They do. I used to
16 serve on the board. They do have someone whose
17 duty is to go to schools also.

18 MS. MORISSETTE: And make
19 presentations.

20 MR. LAZIEH: He's a Department of
21 the Interior individual. I don't remember his
22 name. It's not Bob Billington. Bob is on the
23 board also.

24 MS. MORISSETTE: I mean, funding

1 is a huge thing for a lot educational programs. I
2 mean, it's great that we can offer. The first
3 thing I get asked by teachers who want to do the
4 program is how much do I have to spend on buses?
5 What's the transportation cost? And when they
6 find out that we pay for that, they're
7 automatically in. I mean, schools don't have a
8 lot of money these days, and so it's great for us
9 to be able to offer them a free program where the
10 transportation is included.

11 THE CHAIRMAN: Are there any other
12 questions. Other questions? Are you finished?

13 MS. MORISSETTE: Yes.

14 THE CHAIRMAN: Our next order of
15 business is a presentation by Paul Nordstrom.

16 MR. NORDSTROM: My name is Paul
17 Nordstrom. I'm the Director of Operations and
18 Engineering. And within our division, we have the
19 Interceptor Maintenance group, we have the Field's
20 Point Wastewater Treatment facility, the Bucklin
21 Point facility over in East Providence, and the
22 Engineering Department.

23 And Meg Goulet runs the IM department,
24 Carmine Goneconte is the manager over at Field's

1 Point, John Nobrega actually oversees the contract
2 manager at Bucklin Point, and Tom Brueckner, who
3 you see a lot, runs the engineering department.

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Virtually everything we do comes before

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5 the board, so what I thought I would maybe do is
6 give you a little bit of background that you
7 probably don't see in the monthly reports, and
8 then any time you have questions on the monthly
9 reports, you can feel free to ask.

10 Interceptor maintenance, the way it's
11 set up, we have about 22 people in all. We have
12 15 operators divided into two unions. We actually
13 use the Providence/Seekonk River as the dividing
14 line. So Council 94 is on one side of the river
15 and 1033 is on the Providence side of the river,
16 and that's the support staff.

17 All in all, the IM group is responsible
18 for about 96 miles of interceptors that vary from
19 108 inches down to 12 inches. There are 112
20 regulators. Regulators are the point in the
21 combined sewer system that allows the flow to get
22 to the treatment plant. There are 600 catch
23 basins that we're responsible for that tie
24 directly into our interceptors. All the rest are the

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1 responsibility of the various cities and towns.
2 We have 67 combined sewer overflow points and six
3 pump stations. Coincidentally, three on one side
4 of the river, three on the other.

5 As far as the goals for this year, we've
6 been in a program where we thought we would be
7 able to clean and televise all 96 miles of sewers
8 in a ten-year period. We're far ahead of that
9 goal. In fact, last year we were able to do ten

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10 miles. This year we're also at ten miles. Our
11 estimate is that we'll probably be done with that
12 program in about eight years, and then we'll start
13 the process all over again.

14 What we've done is learned an awful lot
15 about the sewer system that we didn't have time to
16 address before because the priorities before were
17 the CSO tunnel, the wastewater treatment
18 facilities. With these cleanings, televised
19 contracts, just in the six-month period from
20 July 1st through the end of 2005, they removed 304
21 tons of materials that had accumulated in the
22 bottom of the sewers.

23 Typically what happens is in a combined
24 sewer system, large size pipes are designed to

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1 handle wet weather flow, but during dry weather
2 conditions, a lot of material settles out because
3 there is not a lot of velocity going through the
4 pipe.

5 Through this program, we at least have
6 come through a couple of inspections where we
7 found significant amounts of inflow which is
8 generally river water or stormwater coming into
9 the system, that actually robs the capacity.

10 One of those areas was at the Butler
11 Hospital, the Grotto Brook area. Through our
12 regular inspection program, we found after a
13 severe storm that actually a manhole that was in
14 the river in the tidal area had actually shifted,

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and the river was getting into the system. We
16 also had some problems that we came across in
17 North Providence on Smith Street.

18 We've survived a couple of fairly
19 significant storms, one of which was in October
20 and the second of which was last June. And
21 typically we'd cringe when we knew we were going
22 to get a lot of rain, we'd have flooding, we'd
23 have pump stations that go out of service,
24 problems at the treatment plant, but through all

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1 the capital improvements that we've done, we
2 actually made it through those two significant
3 storms and everything ran according to the way it
4 was supposed to run.

5 We also had kind of a unique situation,
6 engineering staff assisting IM, flow meters
7 associated in various parts of the sewer system to
8 get a better understanding. And after that
9 October storm, all of a sudden, flows downstream
10 from the area where the Home Depot is on Charles
11 Street, all of a sudden there was like ten million
12 gallons of extra flow coming into the plant.

13 It turns out that there was an abandoned
14 line that went under the west river and due to the
15 flooding, a plug let go and the whole river was
16 actually going into the treatment plant. We
17 caught that, and that was resolved within a
18 48-hour period.

19 Goals for this coming year, clean and
20 televise ten miles. We've already started to do

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21 additional training. Our people who are in the
22 field a lot, they carry ID badges, they wear
23 uniforms. But it's important for us and our image
24 and our public relations that they know how to be

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1 able to handle irate customers, because typically
2 when they're out in the field, they may be
3 addressing a problem, somebody's toilet may have
4 backed up, there may be flooding in the area, so
5 we've gone ahead and done that training already.

6 We recently hired an environmental
7 engineer to get some technical assistance. He's
8 integrated into the daily activities now. We're
9 in the process of replacing several older vehicles
10 and the important thing is we're trying to get a
11 system in place where everything that is done
12 throughout the Narragansett Bay Commission and
13 that system will be filed on a computer system to
14 track the history of equipment. So it coincides
15 directly with the asset management program.

16 Field's Point, as I said before, is run
17 by Carmine Goneconte. He breaks it up into
18 operations and maintenance. Richard Williams runs
19 the maintenance department. Paul Desrosiers
20 pretty much handles the operations end. We're
21 gradually shifting to asset management.

22 You'll notice in the bottom left we have
23 it broken down to preventative versus corrective
24 maintenance. Preventative maintenance, if you

1 think of your car and stuff like changing the oil
2 and changing the tires, changing the brakes.
3 Corrective is when you have a problem and you have
4 to bring it to the shop to get fixed.

5 We're shifting a lot more towards the
6 preventative and actually getting to the point
7 where we can predict failures. And the whole goal
8 there is to more have more benchtime with the
9 mechanics catching things before they become a
10 problem.

11 Field's Point is a combined sewer system
12 which can take up to 77 million gallons a day.
13 Typically, this time of year, we're probably in
14 the high 30's, low 40's. We have the capability
15 of treating an extra 123 million gallons of wet
16 weather flow during the storm, which is something
17 we integrated before the tunnel pump station
18 project went online, this district of Providence,
19 North Providence, Johnston, and parts of Lincoln
20 and Cranston.

21 We successfully transferred our solid
22 handling operation from Field's Point to Synagro,
23 the long-term sludge. And not only did we
24 successfully mothball all the solid handling

1 equipment, if you look out the window now, it's
2 all been demolished. We worked hand-in-hand with
3 the contractor on that. Treatment remains good.

4 We started a program where Carmine is
5 trying to teach some of the operators some

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6 supervisory skills, kind of freshen the ranks
7 because we are getting to be an older workforce
8 and there will be several openings in the future.

9 One of the big things we're trying to
10 do, part of the budget is, there is a significant
11 part of the budget that allows capital
12 replacement. We're getting better at it. Once we
13 get the asset management program into place will
14 help tremendously. Right now, we're still at the
15 point of trying to project what is going to have
16 to replaced the following fiscal year. In fact,
17 we've already started that process.

18 We reorganized the staff once we lost
19 solid handling. And their goal is also to
20 continue the treatment level. Bucklin Point, very
21 similar situation, except Aquarian Operating
22 Services provides the management. Our people are
23 operating the plant, but they provide the
24 management. We have Synagro that handles the

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1 solid and John bridges that and he also
2 coordinates with the construction group with all
3 the construction that's going on in Field's Point.

4 That's also a combined sewer system.
5 They can treat up to 46 million gallons and also
6 an additional 116 gallons during rain events.
7 Since that has gone on, we had a -- if you look at
8 the top right corner of that picture, that was a
9 raw sewerage overflow that used to occur virtually
10 any time it rained. With the addition of that 116

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17 just kind of a reminder of kind of the way we're
18 set up in engineering and operations actually. We
19 initiate the projects, oversee the design. When
20 the project goes to construction, it gets turned
21 over to Rich Bernier's group. We work
22 hand-in-hand with them on construction, but they
23 are definitely the lead.

24 And then when the construction is over,

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1 it gets turned back over to operations, because
2 the majority of the project is IM group, Field's
3 Point or Bucklin Point. With that, I'm going to
4 turn it over to Tom. He's going to try to prep
5 you for some of the things you will see in the
6 coming year.

7 MR. BRUECKNER: I'll talk about
8 the nature of the programs for projects that we
9 work on in engineering, but I just want to point
10 out that in the budget report that you received
11 from Karen, I think a couple of months ago, all of
12 our projects that we do in engineering and
13 construction are in this, in the CIP.

14 As Paul mentioned, we take those
15 projects from planning and design and then turn
16 them over to construction. So we basically start
17 the project and then when we're ready to build it,
18 it goes to construction. As you know, the biggest
19 program that we have is the CSO program and that
20 is required by our permit because of requirements
21 of the federal government and Clean Water Act.

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 It's going to be completed in three
23 phases. Phase one is under construction and
24 scheduled for completion October of 2008. Phase

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1 two design to be initiated in August of 2007,
2 which really is coming up in less than a year, and
3 we have approximately three years to complete that
4 design and we'll then go to construction for phase
5 two.

6 This shows the program that we have.
7 The first phase is in this purple, magenta,
8 whatever the color is, and that is the tunnel,
9 seven-drop shafts and the tunnel pump station.
10 The second phase would be to pick up overflows
11 along the Woonasquatucket River and Seekonk River
12 by construction of interceptors that we call "near
13 surface," that are only about 15 feet underground
14 as opposed to the tunnel, which is 300 feet
15 underground. And both of those interceptors would
16 tie into the tunnel and convey the flow to the
17 treatment plant.

18 Phase three is another tunnel that would
19 be built up in Central Falls and Pawtucket to pick
20 up overflows over there and convey that flow to
21 the Bucklin Point plant. We're looking really at
22 that phase to be complete in 2022. I don't think
23 I'm going to be here then, but some of you might
24 be, you might look forward to that completion.

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1 That is really what we're proposing to do now, but
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2 that may change over time depending upon changes
3 in technology and the results of the first two
4 phases of the program.

5 In addition to the tunnel and all of
6 those improvements, we're also required by federal
7 law, really the EPA/CSO policy, to provide
8 floatables control for all of our COS outfalls.
9 And that's any large objects that may come out of
10 the overflows. We have gone through a program to
11 look at different floatables control facilities we
12 could put in, and this only applies to phase two
13 and phase three outfalls, since phase one will
14 pick up all the overflows in phase one.

15 We've installed devices at two of the 32
16 locations. And these are basically trash nets
17 that are very effective, but very expensive. And
18 one of the things that EPA has in their policy
19 proposals is that they've indicated there should
20 be a low cost program.

21 The problem is that we've found is those
22 facilities that really work well are actually very
23 expensive and the low cost ones are not as
24 effective. So we're continuing to discuss with

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1 DEM what the best approach would be for those
2 facilities. And in that regard, we're working on
3 developing a plan for the remaining outfalls.

4 Nitrogen removal. The next big program
5 that obviously we're working on. Paul mentioned
6 during his presentation in his report that at

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8 Bucklin Point, we have signed a consent agreement
9 where we've agreed to try and achieve five
10 milligrams per liter.

11 We're achieving about six-and-a-half
12 milligrams per liter right now. And you also
13 mentioned that we'll be doing a report in another
14 year to indicate whether we feel we can meet the
15 five, and if not, we have to tell DEM what we're
16 going to do and when we're going to do it to meet
17 the five.

18 By the way, this is a part of an ongoing
19 discussion with DEM about nitrogen removal. And I
20 want to point out that they had also indicated to
21 us that they didn't really want us to just go to
22 five, they are looking in the future for us to go
23 to three milligrams per liter, which is going to
24 be even more difficult for us to do and more
costly.

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1 MR. LAZIEH: I think we've
2 discussed in the past with the recommendation for
3 us to go to five, the other plants that flow into
4 the bay, they're required to go to what level?

5 MR. BRUECKNER: Eight, except for
6 those on the Blackstone which are also five.

7 MR. LAZIEH: Okay.

8 MR. BRUECKNER: At Field's Point,
9 as Paul mentioned, we submitted a facilities plan
10 for getting to five milligrams per liter,
11 describing what we would do to get to five
12 milligrams per liter at the end of August. And we

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13 are going to go to a different technology at
14 Field's Point than at Bucklin Point. Bucklin
15 Point is a conventional system for removing
16 nitrogen.

17 At Field's Point, because they're very
18 site constrained and don't have a lot of room in
19 the tanks, we're going with more innovative
20 technology called IFFAS, Integrated Fixed Film
21 Activated Sludge. It basically requires us to put
22 a media into the aeration tanks to increase our
23 capacity there.

24 We will probably have a schedule of a

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1 year-and-a-half from January, because once that
2 plan is complete and approved by DEM, which we
3 expect will be in January, then we have a
4 year-and-a-half to complete the design and that's
5 one of the agenda items later on we'll be
6 presenting to you for approval, the design.

7 The last thing I want to point out, we
8 have contracted with URI GSO to do a model so that
9 we can predict the impact of nitrogen removal as
10 we go forward. There really is a system that DEM
11 used to determine what we should -- what levels we
12 need to get down to, we felt was very crude and we
13 wanted to try and come up with a better method for
14 estimating the impact of nitrogen. So we're
15 looking into this and working with URI GSO to
16 develop that system.

17 And the last thing is the sewer system.

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18 Engineering gets involved in problems that occur
19 in the sewer system, either a long-term design or
20 on an emergency basis. As Paul mentioned in his
21 presentation earlier, we are doing inspection and
22 cleaning of the sewers. We're trying to do ten
23 miles a year. We have a sewer system flow
24 monitoring program we just completed which was

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1 seven sites to see what the impact of rainfall and
2 future development will be on the sewer system,
3 for the purposes for future planning. We are
4 developing a sewer system model so that we can do
5 modeling, see what the affect of different
6 development and future growth will be on the sewer
7 system.

8 We are working on this program, as I
9 mentioned in the CEO Committee, to maintain all
10 our easements. Over the years, because we've
11 inherited our sewers from various cities and
12 towns, we don't feel that our easements have been
13 well documented and we have not got good files
14 here on them, so we're trying to improve that so
15 we have a good system, which ties in with our
16 geographic information system, which is basically
17 a computer system to maintain our sewer system
18 information in many respects and to tie that into
19 the Hansen work order system.

20 The last thing is that in the CIP, we
21 have indicated three projects for the sewer system
22 improvements for the next year; the replacement of
23 an inceptor at Higginson Avenue in Lincoln.

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MR. LAZIEH: Lincoln or Central

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1 Falls?

2 MR. BRUECKNER: It's in Lincoln.

3 MR. LAZIEH: Over the border,
4 right on Industrial Highway?

5 MR. BRUECKNER: It's in Central
6 Falls, going into Lincoln. And then replacement
7 of the Louisquissett Pike interceptor, and
8 replacement of the Central Avenue pump station in
9 Johnston. Any questions?

10 THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. Thank you,
11 Tom. Thank you, Cynthia and Tom and Paul.

12 Next order of business is committee
13 reports and action items resulting. I know we
14 have -- some of the commissioners have time
15 constraints, so we'll move this right along. The
16 first committee reporting is the Finance Committee
17 and that's Commissioner Andrade; do you have a
18 report?

19 MR. ANDRADE: Yes, I do, Mr. Chairman.

20 THE CHAIRMAN: Proceed.

21 MR. ANDRADE: The Finance
22 Committee met and the first order of business was
23 the review and approval of Resolution 2006: 34,
24 authorization to file for general rate relief with

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1 the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission.

2 There was some good discussion and I know the vast

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4 majority of the commissioners were present to hear
5 that, so I would like to make a motion to approve
6 the resolution.

7 THE CHAIRMAN: We have a motion to
8 approve Resolution 2006: 34, authorization filed
9 for general rate relief.

10 MR. CRUISE: Second.

11 MR. LAZIEH: Second.

12 THE CHAIRMAN: Second by
13 Commissioner Cruise, Commissioner Lazieh.
14 Discussion on the matter? Discussion? All of
15 those that are in favor of passage of Resolution
16 2006: 34 will say aye. Are there any opposed?
17 There are none opposed, motion carries. Proceed.

18 MR. ANDRADE: The next item was
19 Resolution 2006: 35, authority to issue revenue
20 bonds and notes in an amount not to exceed 50
21 million dollars to finance the Narragansett Bay
22 Commission improvements. That, again, was
23 discussed with the entire board here, so I move
24 approval of the resolution.

 THE CHAIRMAN: We have a motion to

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1 approve Resolution 2006: 35.

2 MR. CRUISE: Second.

3 MR. LAZIEH: Second

4 THE CHAIRMAN: We have a second by
5 Commissioner Cruise and Commissioner Lazieh also.
6 Are there any questions or discussion with regard
7 to the resolution? Hearing none, all of those
8 that are in favor will say aye. Are there any

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9 opposed? There are none opposed and the motion
10 carries. Further report?

11 MR. ANDRADE: That concludes the
12 report of the Finance Committee.

13 THE CHAIRMAN: The next committee
14 reporting is the Construction, Engineering and
15 Operations Committee. Commissioner Salvadore, do
16 you have a report?

17 MR. SALVADORE: We met earlier
18 this morning, Mr. Chairman, and we have two action
19 items for the board of commissioners. The first
20 being review and approval of Resolution 2006: 36,
21 authorization to acquire temporary and permanent
22 easements for Contract 304-9, replacement and
23 rehabilitation of the Burrington Street and Grotto
24 Brook interceptor sewers. We had a rather

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1 extensive discussion on that, most of the people
2 who are here now were at our meeting this morning,
3 and I move passage.

4 THE CHAIRMAN: We have a motion to
5 pass Resolution 2006: 36.

6 MR. MONTANARI: Second.

7 MR. MACQUEEN: Second.

8 MS. MORISSETTE: We have a second
9 by Commissioner Montanari and Commissioner
10 MacQueen. Discussion on the matter? Further
11 discussion?

12 MR. PINAULT: I want to note I
13 handed out a plan supplementing the handout you

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20 and you'll all have to bear with me for a while
21 until I get up on the curve, but in reading some
22 of the background material which I received, it
23 looks to me there was a corporate change or a
24 change in the constitution of the firm or the name

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1 of the firm, the design firm, and I guess my
2 question is was there any competitive bidding for
3 this kind of a contract or is it just awarded --

4 THE CHAIRMAN: No.

5 MR. WORRELL: -- because they're
6 the only game in town?

7 MR. PINAULT: Normally,
8 Commissioner, what we do is when we issue a
9 request for qualifications and proposals, usually
10 it's for the planning stage. We say right in the
11 qualification and proposal package that if we're
12 satisfied with the performance of the consultant
13 for the planning stage, historically we've
14 continued with them for design and construction
15 supervision.

16 And the reasons are many. One is to
17 keep continuity and also to make sure that when
18 you switch horses in mid-stream, sometimes you
19 have someone who does the planning, someone else
20 does the design, and pointing fingers back and
21 forth. You can't hold someone responsible because
22 of the problems. That model has worked very well
23 for us.

24 Basically what we do is we have

1 qualifications based on selection, it's not price
2 is not a factor, but qualifications is the key.
3 Guertin-Elkerton, which was acquired by SEA
4 Consultants, have worked for us for 25 years.

5 They, at Field's Point, have been the
6 lead engineers. The people that worked on our
7 project and the original upgrade in the '80s are
8 still with SEA now. So we have all of that
9 knowledge of what's at the plant. If we were to
10 bring in another consultant, they would have a big
11 steep learning curve. And we think we wouldn't
12 get the quality, we wouldn't get the same price,
13 it would be more expensive.

14 So although they've been acquired, it's
15 people we're concerned about more than the firm
16 because you're buying that expertise. We feel
17 very comfortable with them. Paul Nordstrom and
18 Tom Brueckner are here if they want to add to
19 that.

20 We know what it costs to design things,
21 so the authority we're asking for is not to exceed
22 1.96 million, which is seven percent of the
23 construction is 28 million, which is basically the
24 rule of thumb. That is generally what it costs to

1 design mechanical, electrical, structure
2 facilities such as the treatment plant. If you're
3 doing a building rehab, it's different, but we
4 have 25 years experience, so we know what it

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5 costs. And hopefully I've answered your question.

6 MR. WORRELL: The question, I
7 suppose is where does the \$28 million figure come
8 from, is that work product from them?

9 THE CHAIRMAN: Budget.

10 MR. PINAULT: Well, they looked at
11 24 alternatives in the facilities plan that were
12 evaluated to meet different levels of nutrient
13 removal; eight, five, less than five. And there
14 were, I guess, eight alternatives for each of
15 those three, and the costs varied from up to, I
16 think 80-some odd million dollars.

17 And the preferred alternative, which
18 we've gone through two public meetings and
19 numerous discussions of the board over the last --
20 this started in 2001 or 2000. We selected an
21 alternative which is not the cheapest, but overall
22 we think it's the best for our facilities at
23 Field's Point.

24 We piloted a similar system for nine

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1 months. It's called the IFFAS system, Integrated
2 Fixed Film Activated Sludge. And there are
3 several vendors that provide that equipment.
4 We'll be prequalifying them and so forth. So if
5 you would like to talk about that further, I can
6 pull all of the information.

7 MR. WORRELL: That is responsive.
8 Thank you very much.

9 MR. PINAULT: We'll have a hearing

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later this year soon as DEM gives us their
11 comments on that plan. I mentioned that earlier.
12 So if you would like to attend that hearing, we
13 can provide you with the documents for the
14 hearing, but we'll have a full public hearing with
15 proper notice.

16 MR. WORRELL: Thank you.

17 THE CHAIRMAN: Further discussion?
18 We have a motion, we have a second; all of those
19 that are in favor will say aye. Are there any
20 opposed? There are none opposed and the motion
21 carries. Further report?

22 MR. SALVADORE: That concludes the
23 CEO report.

24 THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very

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1 much. The next committee reporting is the
2 Personnel Committee. Commissioner Campbell, do you
3 have a report?

4 MR. CAMPBELL: Yes.

5 THE CHAIRMAN: Proceed.

6 MR. CAMPBELL: The Personnel
7 Committee met and considered two items. The first
8 item was a variety of amendments to the
9 organizational plan which Paul went through quite
10 extensively at the Finance Committee meeting.

11 MR. ANDRADE: And they don't need
12 board approval.

13 MR. CAMPBELL: And they don't need
14 board approval, but if anybody has any questions
15 to these changes, I think they're all in your

16 packet.

17 THE CHAIRMAN: The changes to the
18 organizational plan are in the packet.

19 MR. CAMPBELL: Only finance.

20 THE CHAIRMAN: Is there any
21 discussion with regard to the organizational plan
22 we can address? Okay.

23 MR. CAMPBELL: The second item was
24 review and approval of Resolution 2006: 38,

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1 authorization to fund a wellness incentive
2 program. Karen Giebink submitted the resolution
3 and the total amount being budgeted for this is
4 \$3,000. It was approved by the Personnel
5 Committee. I'll take a motion to approve
6 Resolution 2006: 38.

7 MR. SALVADORE: Move passage.

8 THE CHAIRMAN: We have a motion to
9 approve Resolution 2006: 38.

10 MR. LAZIEH: Second.

11 THE CHAIRMAN: Seconded by
12 Commissioner Lazieh. Discussion on the
13 appropriation to fund the wellness incentive
14 program? Hearing none, all of those that are in
15 favor will say aye. Are there any opposed? There
16 are none opposed and the motion carries. Further
17 business, Commissioner Campbell?

18 MR. CAMPBELL: There was no
19 further business.

20 THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very

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22 much. Moving right along, the next committee
23 reporting is the Legislative Committee. Do we
24 have any matters, Joanne? No Legislative matters.
 The next committee reporting would be the Rules

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1 and Regulations Committee, I don't believe there
2 was any?

3 MR. LAZIEH: No, Mr. Chairman.

4 THE CHAIRMAN: Although I think,
5 Laurie?

6 MR. PINAULT: The public hearing
7 is the end of October and then we'll come back to
8 the committee, probably in November, with any
9 comments and the finals on the Rules and Regs
10 amendments.

11 THE CHAIRMAN: Great. The next
12 committee reporting is the Citizens Advisory
13 Committee.

14 MR. GADON: The CAC meeting was
15 held on October 11th with a quorum. We also had a
16 member of the public present who was interested in
17 how the CAC operates. Paul Nordstrom made a
18 presentation on operations which was well
19 received.

20 We did briefly discuss the board of
21 commissioners members and of course are interested
22 in what the future will bring as to the affect on
23 the Separation of Powers on this. We congratulate
24 Cynthia on her education program and perhaps the

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1 kids will go home and tell their folks to be happy
2 about their sewer bills.

3 One member, Chris Hannifen, who is
4 active in the Rhode Island Housing Agency urged us
5 to vote "yes" on Proposition 9 concerning housing.
6 Our next meeting is scheduled for November 8th.
7 That concludes my report.

8 THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Harold.
9 The next committee reporting is the Executive
10 Director's search committee. On behalf of the
11 committee, I would like to report to the
12 commission that at the close of business on
13 October 13th, the agency was in receipt of 31
14 applications for the Executive Director's
15 position.

16 The search committee met this morning at
17 eight o'clock until approximately ten to review
18 some of the qualified potential applicants. The
19 committee shortlisted the thirty-one to five
20 potential candidates.

21 We expect to be holding interviews on
22 the first week in November. And hopefully present
23 a recommendation for the full commission at the
24 November 15th full board commission meeting. I

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1 don't believe there's any more information
2 required. If there's any other discussion that
3 needs to be had by any of the commissioners, feel
4 free to see me after the meeting. Beyond that,
5 there is no other business to report.

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Next committee reporting is the
7 Executive Committee. There was no Executive
8 Committee meeting. The chair just would like to
9 announce that, of course, the next board meeting
10 will be on November 15th. We've already addressed
11 the issue of unification of our facility and we'll
12 be taking measure to finally conclude that matter.

13 There was another matter that
14 Commissioner Lazie h raised with regard to the
15 disposition of the property on Calverley Street,
16 which hopefully will be concluded by the end of
17 the year, we hope. Actually, we'd like to
18 conclude before then, but certainly no later than
19 the end of the year. I believe that's it. I
20 believe that concludes the Chairman's report. Is
21 there any new business to come before the
22 commission? New business? Hearing none,
23 Commissioner Rotella?

24 MR. ROTELLA: Move adjournment.

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1 THE CHAIRMAN: We have a motion to
2 adjourn.

3 MR. LAZIEH: Second.

4 THE CHAIRMAN: Second by
5 Commissioner Lazie h and many other members of the
6 commission. All in favor of adjournment will say
7 aye. Opposed? None opposed and the motion
8 carries.

9 (ADJOURNED AT 12:03 P.M.)

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I, Claudia J. Read, Notary Public, do hereby certify that I reported in shorthand the foregoing proceedings, and that the foregoing transcript contains a true, accurate, and complete record of the proceedings at the above-entitled hearing.

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