Executive Summary

Item: 2007 - 35

Environment Committee

Meeting date: January 9, 2007

For the Metropolitan Council Meeting of January 24, 2007

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date: January 2, 2007

Subject: Authorization for a Joint Use Agreement with the City of

Minneapolis at the Portland & Washington Regulator Site

District(s), Member(s): District 7, Annette Meeks

Policy/Legal Reference: MN Statute 473.504 subd. 6, and 471.59

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Proposed Action/Motion

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator negotiate and enter into a joint use agreement with the City of Minneapolis for access at the Portland & Washington Regulator site.

Issue(s)

- The city of Minneapolis is proposing to make improvements to its storm sewer at the Portland & Washington site. The city has requested that they be allowed to use the existing access shaft to the Portland & Washington Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) regulator to access the revised storm sewer. MCES staff has no objection to this use.
- The proposed agreement would benefit the Council by providing better access from the newly revised CSO regulator chamber to the downstream side of the regulator. This would be a significant improvement for MCES worker safety during maintenance.

Overview and Funding

The proposed agreement would be a benefit to both the City and the Council. No funding is required from the Council.