METROPOLITAN COUNCIL

390 North Robert Street, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101

REGULAR MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Tuesday, February 26, 2008

Committee Members Present: Chair Peggy Leppik, Kirstin Beach, Craig Peterson, Russ Susag, Lynette

Wittsack, Daniel Wolter

Committee Members Excused: Roger Scherer

CALL TO ORDER

A quorum being present, Committee Chair Leppik called the regular meeting of the Council's Environment Committee to order at 4:02 p.m. on Tuesday, February 26, 2008.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

It was moved by Wittsack, seconded by Wolter to approve the agenda

It was moved by Wolter, seconded by Wittsack to approve the minutes of the January 22, 2008 regular meeting of the Environment Committee. **The motion carried.**

BUSINESS

2008-54 Authorization for Sole Source Procurement of Maintenance and Repair Services for Alfa Laval/Sharples Centrifuges

It was moved by Susag, seconded by Wittsack that the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to procure sole source maintenance and repair services from Alfa Laval/Sharples for the disassembly, inspection, and rebuilding of the centrifuges for an amount not to exceed \$500,000/year. **Motion carried.**

2008-55 Authorization to Award and Execute a Contract for Waste Disposal Services for MCES Regional Facilities and 390 North Robert Street

It was moved by Wittsack, seconded by Wolter that the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to award and execute a contract with Allied Waste Services to provide Waste Disposal Services for MCES Regional Facilities and 390 North Robert Street for \$1,482,056.40. **Motion carried.**

2008-56 Ratification of Declaration of Emergency for MSB 6901 Gravity Sewer Repairs and Cleaning It was moved by Susag, seconded by Wolter that the Metropolitan Council ratify the attached *Justification for and Declaration of Emergency* for MSB 6901 Gravity Sewer Repairs and Cleaning. **Motion carried.**

2008-57 Authorization to Execute a Grant Agreement with Dakota County for Groundwater Contaminant Mapping

It was moved by Wolter, seconded by Susag that the Metropolitan Council authorize its Regional Administrator to execute an agreement to provide Dakota County a grant in the amount of \$25,000 for digital mapping of groundwater contamination in support of the development of the master water supply plan.

Motion carried.

2008-58 Authorization to Use Xcel Energy Rebate Funds to Support Algae Research

It was moved by Wittsack, seconded by Susag that the Metropolitan Council authorize its Regional Administrator to use MCES capital revolving funds (generated from energy rebates for MCES conservation efforts) to fund algae-to-energy related research, up to \$250,000 for out of pocket expenses and further to authorize staff time and use of Council facilities to further this research.

Motion carried (Council Member Wolter was not present during vote).

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INFORMATION

State of Minnesota's Greenhouse Gas Reduction Implementation Plan Jason Willett, MCES Director of Finance, presented the draft climate change action plan developed by the Minnesota Climate Change Advisory Group (MCCAG) in accordance with MN Statute 216H.02, Subd. 2. The final report is due April 25, 2008. Mr. Willett then reviewed the Metropolitan Council's actions relative to the State's Action Plan.

Business completed, the meeting adjourned at 4:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan M. Harder Recording Secretary