

CONNECTICUT RESOURCES RECOVERY AUTHORITY

FOUR HUNDRED AND THIRTY-FIFTH MEETING

MARCH 27, 2008

A Regular meeting of the Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority Board of Directors (hereinafter referred to as 'CRRA' or the 'Authority') was held on Thursday, March 27, 2008, at 100 Constitution Plaza, Hartford, Connecticut. Those present were:

Chairman Michael Pace

Directors: Mark Cooper
 James Francis
 Michael Jarjura (Present from 11:06.a.m. until 12:12 p.m.)
 Edna Karanian
 Theodore Martland
 James Miron (Present by telephone from 10:10 a.m. until 11:45 a.m.)
 Raymond O'Brien
 Linda Savitsky
 Stephen Edwards, Bridgeport Project Ad-Hoc
 Tim Griswold, Mid-CT Project Ad-Hoc
 Warren Howe, Jr., Wallingford Project Ad-Hoc

Present from the CRRA staff:

Tom Kirk, President
Jim Bolduc, Chief Financial Officer (Present by telephone)
Michael Bzdyra, Government Relations Liaison
Robert Constable, Controller
Peter Egan, Director of Environmental Affairs & Development
Laurie Hunt, Director of Legal Services
Chris Hyfield, Human Resources Manager
Lynn Martin, Risk Manager
Paul Nonnenmacher, Director of Public Affairs
Mike Tracey, Director of Operations
Lisa Bremmer, Executive Assistant
Moira Kenney, Secretary to the Board/Paralegal

Also present were: John Pizzimenti of USA Hauling & Recycling, Cheryl Thibeault of Covanta, Jerry Tyminski of SCRRRA, Susan Hemenway of BRRFOC, and Dan Uhlinger from *The Hartford Courant*.

Chairman Pace called the meeting to order at 9:38 a.m. and said that a quorum was present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Pace requested that everyone stand for the Pledge of Allegiance, whereupon, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

PUBLIC PORTION

Chairman Pace said that the agenda allowed for a public portion in which the Board would accept written testimony and allow individuals to speak for a limit of three minutes.

With no comments from the public, Chairman Pace said that the regular meeting would commence.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 21, 2008, REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Chairman Pace requested a motion to approve the minutes of the February 21, 2008, Regular Board Meeting. Director Martland made a motion to approve the minutes, which was seconded by Director O'Brien. The minutes were approved as amended and discussed by roll call.

Directors	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Michael Pace, Chairman	X		
Mark Cooper	X		
James Francis	X		
Edna Karanian	X		
Theodore Martland	X		
Raymond O'Brien	X		
Linda Savitsky	X		
Ad-Hocs			
Stephen Edwards, Ad-Hoc Bridgeport			
Timothy Griswold, Ad-Hoc, Mid-CT	X		
Warren C. Howe Jr., Ad-Hoc, Wallingford	X		

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 26, 2008, EMERGENCY BOARD MEETING

Chairman Pace requested a motion to approve the minutes of the February 26, 2008, Emergency Board Meeting. Director O'Brien made a motion to approve the minutes, which was seconded by Director Martland. The minutes were approved as presented by roll call.

Directors	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Michael Pace, Chairman	X		
Mark Cooper	X		
James Francis	X		
Edna Karanian	X		
Theodore Martland	X		
Raymond O'Brien	X		
Linda Savitsky	X		
Ad-Hocs			
Stephen Edwards, Ad-Hoc Bridgeport			
Timothy Griswold, Ad-Hoc, Mid-CT			
Warren C. Howe Jr., Ad-Hoc, Wallingford			

RESOLUTION REGARDING PURCHASE OF COMMERCIAL CRIME INSURANCE FOR THE PERIOD 4/1/08 – 4/1/11

Chairman Pace requested a motion regarding the above-captioned matter. Director Francis made the following motion:

RESOLVED: That CRRA purchase the three-year policy for Commercial Crime insurance with a limit of \$3,000,000 from the Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America for an annual premium of \$3,310 for the period 4/1/08-4/1/11, as discussed at this meeting.

Vice-Chairman O'Brien seconded the motion.

Ms. Martin said the Authority's brokers went to market this year for crime insurance which covers employee theft and dishonesty. She said the Authority has a clean record and has never had a claim for commercial crime. Ms. Martin explained that this year AON was able to secure a multi-year contract for three years. She said the premium is paid yearly, but that premium is the same each year. Ms. Martin explained this is a benefit that the Authority has been trying to secure for some time. Ms. Martin said the Authority's ability to secure a multi-year contract is attributed to the current soft market.

Director Martland asked if the coverage would protect CRRA from stealing at the scale enforcement locations. Ms. Martin replied that the answer is yes, if the theft was done by CRRA employees and not contractors or MDC employees who are not covered under the insurance.

Director Francis said the Finance Committee had thoroughly reviewed the resolution. He said in terms of the premium differences highlighted in the write-up the increased cost is a minor \$163.00. He explained the savings are roughly 6.5% for all of the premium costs.

Director Martland asked how CRRA is protected from MDC in terms of scale tampering. Mr. Kirk said the Authority is protected through civil action.

The motion previously made and seconded was approved unanimously by roll call.

Directors	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Michael Pace, Chairman	X		
Mark Cooper	X		
James Francis	X		
Edna Karanian	X		
Theodore Martland	X		
Raymond O'Brien	X		
Linda Savitsky	X		
Ad-Hocs			
Stephen Edwards, Ad-Hoc Bridgeport			
Timothy Griswold, Ad-Hoc, Mid-CT	X		
Warren C. Howe Jr., Ad-Hoc, Wallingford			

RESOLUTION REGARDING THE PURCHASE OF FIDUCIARY LIABILITY INSURANCE FOR THE PERIOD 4/1/08 – 4/1/11

Chairman Pace requested a motion regarding the above-captioned matter. Director Francis made the following motion:

RESOLVED: That CRRA purchase a three-year, \$3,000,000 Fiduciary Liability insurance policy, with a separate \$1,000,000 limit for defense expenses, for an annual premium of \$4,581 from Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America for the term 4/1/08 – 4/1/11 as discussed at this meeting.

Vice-Chairman O'Brien seconded the motion.

Ms. Martin said that fiduciary insurance would cover anyone who is responsible for acting as a trustee on a 401 (k) plan. She said the Authority was also able to secure a multi-year contract for fiduciary liability. Ms. Martin explained it is important for the Board to be aware that although this insurance covers all employees it does not cover the "host", which is CRRA. She said AON is working with AIG and Travelers to cover CRRA. Ms. Martin said CRRA's brokerage firm (AON) has indicated it is not unusual that a public entity is unable to secure coverage for itself.

Ms. Martin informed the Board that this coverage is an improvement from the prior coverage due to the three-year renewable contract which was secured at a reasonable cost. Vice-Chairman O'Brien said Ms. Martin and the AON risk team have done a good job of seeking out good pricing on CRRA's insurance. He said the last page of each write-up contains comparisons and aggregates on each of the policies to provide further information for the benefit of the Board.

The motion previously made and seconded was approved unanimously by roll call.

Directors	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Michael Pace, Chairman	X		
Mark Cooper	X		
James Francis	X		
Edna Karanian	X		
Theodore Martland	X		
Raymond O'Brien	X		
Linda Savitsky	X		
Ad-Hocs			
Stephen Edwards, Ad-Hoc Bridgeport			
Timothy Griswold, Ad-Hoc, Mid-CT	X		
Warren C. Howe Jr., Ad-Hoc, Wallingford			

RESOLUTION REGARDING THE DISPOSITION OF SETTLEMENT FUNDS

Chairman Pace requested a motion regarding the above-captioned matter. Director Francis made the following motion:

WHEREAS, the Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority (the “Authority”) has continued to pursue Enron related litigation against multiple parties; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has been successful in Enron related litigation and received tens of millions of dollars in settlement funds which has been used to mitigate tip fee increases for the Mid-Connecticut Project; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has settled a Enron-related claim against an additional defendant and there is potential that additional Enron-related claims will be settled, as discussed in executive session; and

WHEREAS, the Authority reached an agreement with the City of Hartford allowing the Authority to utilize additional capacity at the Hartford Landfill through December 31, 2008; and

WHEREAS, the agreement with the City of Hartford assigns the post-closure obligations to the Mid-Connecticut Project; and

WHEREAS, the accounts for the post-closure obligations are currently below the required funding amount; and

WHEREAS, the Authority desires to set aside these additional settlement funds into the Hartford Landfill Post-Closure account to ensure sufficient funds are available to meet the required obligations; and

NOW, THEREFORE, it is

RESOLVED: That the funds (net of legal costs) to be received from these settlements in the Authority's Enron-related litigation as discussed in executive session be deposited into the Hartford Landfill Post-Closure account.

The motion was seconded by Vice-Chairman O'Brien.

Director Francis said the Finance Committee had approved the resolution. He explained the resolution would give management the authority to act immediately on settlements and take the appropriate action without returning first to the Board for approval. He explained after discussion by the committee it was recommended that the settlement funds go to cover post-closure costs for the Hartford Landfill.

Director Griswold asked what the current fund balance is for post-closure of the Hartford Landfill. Mr. Bolduc said the post-closure reserve contained \$3.8 million as of the end of January 2008, and that another \$12.2 million is held in the closure reserve. Mr. Kirk said both funds are currently underfunded. Mr. Egan said that post-closure costs are currently at \$16 million.

The motion previously made and seconded was approved unanimously by roll call.

Directors	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Michael Pace, Chairman	X		
Mark Cooper	X		
James Francis	X		
Edna Karanian	X		
Theodore Martland	X		
Raymond O'Brien	X		
Linda Savitsky	X		
Ad-Hocs			
Stephen Edwards, Ad-Hoc Bridgeport			
Timothy Griswold, Ad-Hoc, Mid-CT	X		
Warren C. Howe Jr., Ad-Hoc, Wallingford			

RESOLUTION REGARDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2008 BULKY WASTE AND NON- PROCESSIBLE FEE AT THE HARTFORD LANDFILL

Chairman Pace requested a motion regarding the above-captioned matter. Director Francis made the following motion:

RESOLVED: That the Fiscal Year 2008 Mid-Connecticut Project Tip Fees for Bulky Waste (C&D) and Non-Processible Waste delivered to the Hartford Landfill be reduced to the *Proposed Rates* as presented in the following table.

Waste Category	Existing Rate <u>FY 2008</u>	Proposed Rate <u>FY 2008</u>
Bulky Waste (C&D) – Municipal	\$85.00	\$40.00 - 85.00
Bulky Waste (C&D) – Commercial	\$96.00	\$40.00 - 96.00
Non-processible Fee – Direct	\$85.00	\$40.00 - 85.00

Vice-Chairman O’Brien seconded the motion.

Mr. Kirk said that Mr. Egan would provide detailed information on the resolution and was also distributing a hand-out containing information requested by the Finance Committee. Mr. Kirk said with the closing of the Hartford Landfill in December there will potentially be unused capacity remaining. He explained management would like to maximize the use of the capacity within the typical operating parameters the community has been comfortable with. He explained management felt this was possible if they had the flexibility to lower the price to attract more waste. Mr. Kirk said the Finance Committee spent a significant amount of time discussing how to best communicate with all involved parties regarding future plans for the Hartford landfill.

Mr. Egan explained the hand-out he distributed is in response to questions raised by the Finance Committee. He said assuming the landfill continues to take in what has been historically generated in unburned residue from the trash plant, as well as direct deliveries of bulky waste from the twenty or so surrounding customers, that CRRA anticipates having up to 100,000 cubic yards of unused capacity. Mr. Egan explained the value of that capacity is illustrated in the handout, which is roughly \$3 million of additional revenue if C&D waste is brought in and \$2.25 million if contaminated soil is brought in. Mr. Egan said he expects some combination of the two to come into the landfill.

Vice-Chairman O’Brien said that making direct contact with some of the neighborhood organizations was also discussed at the Finance Committee meeting. Mr. Egan said that there hasn’t been additional contact with neighborhood organizations. He said he spoke with Lee Erdmann of the Host Community and put together a letter with the intention of letting the City of Hartford distribute the information to the appropriate parties.

Mr. Kirk said another possible option regarding the unused capacity, is the sale of the volume to an outside party. He explained management would like to investigate the possibility of regional waste operators purchasing the larger blocks of volume. Director Francis said that the Finance Committee had

explored a variety of options during an in-depth discussion concerning the unused capacity at the Hartford landfill.

The motion previously made and seconded was approved unanimously by roll call.

Directors	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Michael Pace, Chairman	X		
Mark Cooper	X		
James Francis	X		
Edna Karanian	X		
Theodore Martland	X		
Raymond O'Brien	X		
Linda Savitsky	X		
Ad-Hocs			
Stephen Edwards, Ad-Hoc Bridgeport			
Timothy Griswold, Ad-Hoc, Mid-CT	X		
Warren C. Howe Jr., Ad-Hoc, Wallingford			

ORGANIZATIONAL SYNERGY & HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION REGARDING ADDITION AND ADOPTION OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT'S DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN 457(b) PLAN

Chairman Pace requested a motion regarding the above-captioned matter. Director Cooper made the following motion:

RESOLVED: That the President is hereby authorized and directed to execute, the “Participating Employer Agreement” with the State of Connecticut for CRRA’s participation in the State’s Deferred Compensation Plan 457(b).

Vice-Chairman O’Brien seconded the motion.

Director Cooper said the 457(b) plan is a tax free savings plan for employees. He said several CRRA employees have expressed interest in the plan. Director Cooper explained there is no cost for CRRA to join and the fiduciary role is the responsibility of Nancy Wyman’s office.

Mr. Hyfield said in 2006 the State of Connecticut opened the 457(b) plan to political subdivisions of the State. He explained the plan was reviewed by management in consideration of including an additional retirement savings vehicle because CRRA has no pension plan. Mr. Hyfield explained there is almost no cost to CRRA, no fiduciary responsibility, and the expense ratio for mutual funds in the plan is less than they would be in a Fidelity plan. He said about 15 employees have expressed interest in the plan.

Director Savitsky said if a political subdivision chooses to join this plan it is restricted to the current vendor and can not add another plan. She explained if the plan is sold or goes to another vendor that CRRA will be going with it. Mr. Hyfield said there are rollover provisions if the State chooses another vendor with higher expense ratios. Director Savitsky said there are multiple options for mutual funds within the 457(b) within a reasonable fee structure.

The motion previously made and seconded was approved unanimously by roll call.

Directors	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Michael Pace, Chairman	X		
Mark Cooper	X		
James Francis	X		
Edna Karanian	X		
Theodore Martland	X		
Raymond O'Brien	X		
Linda Savitsky	X		
Ad-Hocs			
Stephen Edwards, Ad-Hoc Bridgeport			
Timothy Griswold, Ad-Hoc, Mid-CT			
Warren C. Howe Jr., Ad-Hoc, Wallingford			

RESOLUTION REGARDING THE PURCHASE OF ALL RISK PROPERTY INSURANCE FOR THE PERIOD 4/1/08 – 4/1/09

Chairman Pace requested a motion regarding the above-captioned matter. Director Francis made the following motion:

RESOLVED: That CRRA’s \$359 million All Risk Property Insurance be purchased for a premium of \$600,979 (including terrorism) from the following three insurers with their quota shares as indicated: XL 35%; Starr Tech 33% and Zurich 32%:

FURTHER RESOLVED: That CRRA obtain expanded loss prevention engineering services from XL for a cost of \$22,900.

Vice-Chairman O’Brien seconded the motion.

Ms. Martin said the policy would provide coverage for all of the property required to be insured by contract or ownership. She explained the value of the property has increased by \$10 million based on trends in construction and labor. Ms. Martin explained XL, Starr Tech and Zurich are the same insurers who provided insurance last year. She said, based on reaction and the responses to solicitation, the quota shares are slightly different this year. Ms. Martin said an expanded engineering program has been negotiated. She explained that last year Zurich provided jurisdictional engineering for CRRA. Ms.

Martin said CRRA’s engineering personnel said they would prefer a more expanded loss prevention engineering program with recommendations to assist with discovering potential problems. Ms. Martin said XL was chosen after a review of proposals by CRRA’s Senior Engineer. She said XL had submitted the most detailed report in the opinion of Rich Quelle, CRRA’s Senior Engineer. Ms. Martin said approximately a 10% savings on the overall program was achieved.

Director Francis added that CRRA’s Senior Engineer, Rich Quelle had joined the Finance Committee to provide his opinion in person. He said the detailed report from XL was more in depth and covered greater issues than its competitors. Director Francis said the increase in cost was well worth the expense.

The motion previously made and seconded was approved unanimously by roll call.

Directors	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Michael Pace, Chairman	X		
Mark Cooper	X		
James Francis	X		
Edna Karanian	X		
Theodore Martland	X		
Jim Miron	X		
Raymond O'Brien	X		
Linda Savitsky	X		
Ad-Hocs			
Stephen Edwards, Ad-Hoc Bridgeport			
Timothy Griswold, Ad-Hoc, Mid-CT			
Warren C. Howe Jr., Ad-Hoc, Wallingford			

RESOLUTION REGARDING THE PURCHASE OF PUBLIC OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES LIABILITY INSURANCE FOR THE PERIOD 4/1/08 – 4/1/09

Chairman Pace requested a motion regarding the above-captioned matter. Director Francis made the following motion:

RESOLVED: That CRRA’s Public Officials and Employment Practices Liability insurance be purchased from ACE with a \$10,000,000 limit, and up to a \$5,000,000 in defense costs outside the limit, with a \$250,000 deductible for the period 4/1/08-4/1/09 for a premium of \$228,139, as discussed at this meeting.

Vice-Chairman O’Brien seconded the motion.

Ms. Martin said this insurance would cover the CRRA Board of Directors and staff from any unintentional wrongful acts. She pointed out the defense costs are outside the limit of up to \$5 million,

which would not reduce the overall limit of \$10 million. She said this is the program recommended by management.

Director Martland stated, for the record, that this policy covers previous Board members through the insurance company which offered protection at the time.

The motion previously made and seconded was approved unanimously by roll call.

Directors	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Michael Pace, Chairman	X		
Mark Cooper	X		
James Francis	X		
Edna Karanian	X		
Theodore Martland	X		
Jim Miron	X		
Raymond O'Brien	X		
Linda Savitsky	X		
Ad-Hocs			
Stephen Edwards, Ad-Hoc Bridgeport			
Timothy Griswold, Ad-Hoc, Mid-CT			
Warren C. Howe Jr., Ad-Hoc, Wallingford			

POLICIES & PROCUREMENT COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION REGARDING TRANSFER STATION HOST COMMUNITY AGREEMENT

Chairman Pace requested a motion regarding the above-captioned matter. Vice-Chairman O'Brien made the following motion:

RESOLVED: That the President of CRRA is authorized to execute the Transfer Station Host Community Agreement for the Town of Watertown, Connecticut, substantially as presented and discussed at this meeting.

Director Savitsky seconded the motion.

Vice-Chairman O'Brien said the funds for the agreement have already been budgeted for the coming year, and that further the current year contains \$64,000. Director Savitsky noted that Watertown has already signed the agreement.

The motion previously made and seconded was approved unanimously by roll call.

Directors	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Michael Pace, Chairman	X		
Mark Cooper	X		
James Francis	X		
Edna Karanian	X		
Theodore Martland	X		
Jim Miron	X		
Raymond O'Brien	X		
Linda Savitsky	X		
Ad-Hocs			
Stephen Edwards, Ad-Hoc Bridgeport			
Timothy Griswold, Ad-Hoc, Mid-CT	X		
Warren C. Howe Jr., Ad-Hoc, Wallingford			

RESOLUTION REGARDING TRANSFER STATION HOST COMMUNITY AGREEMENT

Chairman Pace requested a motion regarding the above-captioned matter. Vice-Chairman O'Brien made the following motion:

RESOLVED: That the President of CRRA is authorized to execute the Transfer Station Host Community Agreement for the Town of Torrington, Connecticut, substantially as presented and discussed at this meeting.

Director Savitsky seconded the motion.

Mr. Egan said the Town of Torrington has already signed the agreement. Director Griswold asked why the numbers go down in the Torrington agreement. Mr. Egan explained the numbers were used in the FY'09 budget and a state-wide decline in waste receipts resulted in a reduced amount of projected deliveries for FY'09. Mr. Egan said recycling plays a role in the reduction as well as the effects of the economy.

The motion previously made and seconded was approved unanimously by roll call.

Directors	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Michael Pace, Chairman	X		
Mark Cooper	X		
James Francis	X		
Edna Karanian	X		
Theodore Martland	X		
Jim Miron	X		
Raymond O'Brien	X		
Linda Savitsky	X		
Ad-Hocs			
Stephen Edwards, Ad-Hoc Bridgeport			
Timothy Griswold, Ad-Hoc, Mid-CT	X		
Warren C. Howe Jr., Ad-Hoc, Wallingford			

RESOLUTION REGARDING DOZER COMPACTION SERVICES FOR THE MID-CONNECTICUT WASTE PROCESSING FACILITY

Chairman Pace requested a motion regarding the above-captioned matter. Vice-Chairman O'Brien made the following motion:

RESOLVED: That the Board of Directors, in accordance with the Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority's Procurement Policy, hereby approves the contract with NEUCO Corporation for Dozer Compaction Services at the Mid-Connecticut Waste Processing Facility, substantially as presented and discussed at this meeting.

Director Martland seconded the motion.

Mr. Tracey explained this was a service used at the WPF for compacting the waste at the MSW and RDF area. He explained the compaction helps to process waste in a more efficient manner. Mr. Tracey said the MSW does not have compaction services equipment which significantly reduces waste time for the haulers.

Mr. Kirk said the agreement is far more reasonable than the one previously held. Mr. Tracey said it was bid out for a fourteen month period which coincides with the Hartford landfill closing.

The motion previously made and seconded was approved unanimously by roll call.

Directors	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Michael Pace, Chairman	X		
Mark Cooper	X		
James Francis	X		
Edna Karanian	X		
Theodore Martland	X		
Jim Miron	X		
Raymond O'Brien	X		
Linda Savitsky	X		
Ad-Hocs			
Stephen Edwards, Ad-Hoc Bridgeport			
Timothy Griswold, Ad-Hoc, Mid-CT	X		
Warren C. Howe Jr., Ad-Hoc, Wallingford			

WALLINGFORD PROJECT RESIDENTIAL DROP-OFF TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

Vice-Chairman O'Brien explained the above captioned item requires no action by the Board. He explained, in the interest of a fully informed Board, he has asked management to bring any contract renewals before the full Board for review.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Pace said an announcement detailing plans to move forward with the siting of an ash landfill in Franklin, Ct, had been unveiled to the public. Chairman Pace said coverage was provided by *The Hartford Courant*, *The Norwich Bulletin*, *The New London Day*, and television stations. He said the purpose of the announcement was to inform the public why the site was chosen and to provide information on the many positive benefits. He said at this point a \$1.5 million benefit is calculated for Franklin which represents a huge impact on their budget.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Kirk said management was very encouraged by the public's response to plans for siting an ash landfill in Franklin, Ct. He said the press and public seemed uniformly supportive of the process and understood this process to have significant public benefits. Mr. Kirk said he would like to recognize the communication efforts by Mr. Nonnenmacher, Mr. Egan, Mr. Gingerich and their teams in planning the

landfill unveiling. Mr. Kirk said this unveiling is the manifestation of the new CRRA as it is the first initiative in a new era of waste management in Connecticut.

Mr. Kirk said an 800-number and a dedicated live Web-site are available to answer questions and concerns by the public, as well as a link provided on *The Hartford Courant* website. Mr. Kirk said CRRA's intent was to avoid controversy and to attempt to be as forthcoming as possible regarding this project. He said he expects the next environmental phase to take approximately 12 months.

Mr. Pace said he had asked for a copy of the Powerpoint presentation given at the press conference to be given to the full Board. He said CRRA will be buying a ribbon of property around the Franklin property. Mr. Pace said the brochure being distributed has been mailed to every resident and business in the town of Franklin.

Mr. Edwards asked where the funding comes from for the development of the ash landfill. Mr. Kirk said it was anticipated to be a bonding issue and will not have an impact on the projects.

Mr. Pace said he, Mr. Kirk and Mr. Egan met with Gina McCarthy (Commissioner of CT DEP) for discussion on the matter. He said CRRA is examining a new business model to make CT DEP more aware of the global view of the State's interest. Mr. Kirk said this approach is critical.

Mr. Egan said Ms. McCarthy was hesitant to take a definitive position on the matter concerning whether public waste should be publicly or privately handled in the State of Connecticut. He said the Solid Waste Management Plan had not taken a position, which allowed CRRA to bring up the Supreme Court's decision regarding flow control of solid waste at publicly controlled facilities. He said the decision lends support to the notion that there is a benefit to ensure public control of the solid waste infrastructure in the State of Connecticut. He said it allows that agency to generate revenues to fund salaries for recycling needs and any of the ancillary activities that may fall outside of Solid Waste Management activities.

Mr. Egan said the site had been announced as most appropriate and best which meets the criteria the DEP asked for, and was also one of the top sites chosen by DEP 20 years ago. He said the project will next be conducting extensive environmental, exploratory and archeological investigations. He said he expects an 18 month time frame to review permits and that the current statute requires CT DEP to make a review within 12 months. He said by the summer of 2010 CRRA hopes to have a favorable decision and to begin construction in late summer/fall 2010 with ash coming in by sometime in 2011.

Mr. Pace said this ash is the consistency of wet cement and does not attract the attention of animals and insects. He said the ash is built into a contained environment.

Director Griswold asked which sites would be shipping material to the ash landfill. Mr. Egan said CRRA plans on accepting waste from the Hartford, Wallingford, and Preston waste management facilities, which generate approximately 300,000 tons of ash a year. Mr. Egan said the landfill would be able to accept additional waste from other waste to energy facilities and is restricted to accepting waste only from in-State facilities, six of which could ship ash. He said that would be roughly 60 trucks a day, five days a week going into Franklin. Mr. Egan said the Bristol ash is another source of ash that CRRA may be able to attract to the landfill representing additional revenue for the town of Franklin. Mr. Egan

said another benefit of the Franklin location is that there will be no travel on local roads and that all access is through State roads.

Director Savitsky asked if the Connecticut Department of Transportation (hereinafter referred to as 'DOT') has had any involvement in the approval process. Mr. Egan said in the permitting phase CRRA will have to perform a traffic analysis. He said at which point DOT would have an opportunity to insert itself. He said there may not be a requirement but of course CRRA would comply with any requests.

Concerning the Wallingford Project, Mr. Kirk said that the meeting between the Wallingford City Council and management to discuss the options of Wheelabrator and Covanta went very well. He said a letter from the Chairman of the City Council said they were pleased with the negotiations that were proceeding. Mr. Kirk said communications from Covanta indicated they are interested in fast tracking negotiations and have provided a new term sheet that management is considering. He said he was optimistic that a realistic option for a renewal of the existing agreement, along with the option of public ownership can be provided to the towns in the next few months.

Mr. Kirk said CRRA has continued negotiations with Wheelabrator concerning Bridgeport future options. He said new developments from the revelation of the Norwalk bid (which was substantially lower than expected) have prompted changes to CRRA's counter offer. Mr. Kirk said he is optimistic that Wheelabrator will be in agreement with market pricing. He said if the deal is not worked out, an RFP is ready to be explored for an export option with the Bridgeport towns. Twenty-seven suppliers have expressed interest in supplying capacity.

The Board discussed at length the impact of Norwalk's exit from the Bridgeport Project.

RESIGNATION OF DIRECTOR FRANCIS

Chairman Pace read a letter of resignation that was submitted by Director Francis which said that following the close of the March 27, 2008, Board meeting his resignation from the CRRA Board would be effective.

Chairman Pace said it was with great regret that he bid Director Francis farewell and thanked him for his many years of faithful and diligent service to the CRRA Board. The Chairman read a letter of gratitude from the CRRA Board wishing Director Francis the best of luck and thanking him for serving as a Director for many years.

The Board members offered their personal notes of thanks and appreciation to Director Francis.

Chairman Pace said that the departure of Director Francis creates a vacancy on the CRRA Board, the Executive Committee, and the Finance Committee.

APPOINTMENT TO FINANCE COMMITTEE

Chairman Pace asked Director Savitsky to serve as a member of the Finance Committee. Director Savitsky accepted and Chairman Pace requested the consensus of the Board, who unanimously agreed to Director Savitsky’s membership on the Finance Committee.

Chairman Pace said that with the loss of Director Francis that the Board and management will need to find a replacement to recommend to the CRRA Board of Directors.

Director Howe said that during the course of his public hearing at the Legislative Office Building that Representative Gascogne asked that Director Howe relay a personal comment to the CRRA Board. Representative Gascogne said “it is his personal wish that the CRRA Board spends additional time looking for ways to reduce tipping fees.”

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Pace requested a motion to enter into Executive Session at the request of CRRA personnel to discuss pending litigation and personnel evaluations with appropriate staff. The motion made by Director O’Brien and seconded by Director Martland was approved unanimously. Chairman Pace requested that the following people be invited to the Executive Session in addition to the Directors:

- Tom Kirk
- Jim Bolduc
- Laurie Hunt, Esq.
- Peter Egan
- Paul Nonnenmacher

Eligible Voters	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Michael Pace, Chairman	X		
Mark Cooper	X		
Jim Francis	X		
Edna Karanian	X		
Theodore Martland	X		
Raymond O’Brien	X		
James Miron	X		
Linda Savitsky	X		
Non-Eligible Voters			
Stephen Edwards, Ad-Hoc, Bridgeport			
Timothy Griswold, Ad-Hoc, Mid-CT			
Warren C. Howe Jr., Ad-Hoc, Wallingford			

The Executive Session began at 11:18 a.m. and concluded at 12:11 p.m. Director O’Brien noted that no votes were taken in Executive Session.

The meeting was reconvened at 12:12 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Pace requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion to adjourn made by Director O'Brien and seconded by Director Francis was approved unanimously.

There being no other business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 12:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Moira Kenney
Secretary to the Board/Paralegal