

THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

MINUTES

LEGAL AND CLAIMS COMMITTEE

April 09, 2024

Chair Luna called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m.

Members present: Directors Camacho, Dick, Douglas (entered after roll call), Garza (entered after roll call), Luna, McCoy (entered after roll call), Miller, Peterson, and Seckel.

Members absent: Directors Cordero, Kurtz, and Ramos.

Other Directors present: Directors Ackerman, Bryant, Dennstedt, Erdman, Gray (teleconference posted location), Gualtieri, Lefevre (teleconference posted location), Morris, Ortega, and Smith.

Committee Staff present: Gaxiola, Hagekhalil, Mortada, and Scully.

1. OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COMMITTEE ON MATTERS WITHIN THE COMMITTEE'S JURISDICTION

None

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS – ACTION

3. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS – ACTION

- A.** Subject: Approval of the Minutes of the Legal and Claims Committee for March 12, 2024.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS – ACTION

None

Director Seckel made a motion, seconded by Director Miller, to approve item 3A.
Chair Ortega was present for purposes of quorum.

The vote was:

Ayes: Directors Camacho, Dick, Luna, Miller, Ortega, Peterson, and Seckel.
Noes: None
Abstentions: None
Absent: Directors Cordero, Douglas, Garza, Kurtz, McCoy, and Ramos.
The motion for Item 3A passed by a vote of 7 ayes, 0 noes, 0 abstention, and 6 absent.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

2. MANAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS

A. Subject: General Counsel's report of monthly activities

General Counsel Scully had nothing to add to her written report.

5. OTHER BOARD ITEMS – ACTION

None

6. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

None

Director Douglas entered the meeting.

7. COMMITTEE ITEMS

Director Garza entered the meeting.

a. Subject Update on pending and recently resolved employment litigation and employment legal claims.

Presented by: Henry Torres, Assistant General Counsel

The following Directors provided comments or asked questions:

1. Douglas
2. Dick
3. Peterson
4. Miller

Staff responded to the Directors' comments and questions.

Director Dick recused himself on Item 7b because he owns stock in Bayer, 3M, and Corteva companies and left the room.

Director Erdman recused himself on Item 7b because he owns stock in Raytheon and 3M companies and left the room.

Director Miller recused himself on Item 7b because he owns stock in 3M company and left the room.

Board Chair Ortega recused himself on Item 7b because Honeywell was a source of income and left the room.

Director McCoy entered the meeting.

- b. Subject Report on litigation in In re: Aqueous Film-Forming Foams Products Liability Litigation, Master Docket No.: 2:18-mn-2873-RMG, and settlements in: (1) City of Camden, et al. v. 3M Company, Civil Action No.: 2:23-cv-03147-RMG; and (2) City of Camden, et al. v. E.I. DuPont De Nemours and Company (n/k/a EIDP, Inc.), et al., Civil Action No.: 2:23-cv-03230-RMG [Conference with legal counsel – existing litigation; may be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)].

Presented by: Jill Teraoka, Senior Deputy General Counsel

In closed session, the committee discussed the item. No action was taken.

8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

None

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Chair Luna suggested that Item 7b be brought back for the committee to consider moving it over to the full board for the next meeting.

Chair Luna inquired about the meeting start time at 8:30 a.m. and stated that he would discuss with the Chair as to moving the meeting to 9:00 a.m.

Next meeting will be held on May 13, 2024.

Meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

Miguel Luna
Chair