MINUTES OF THE SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA FLOOD PROTECTION AUTHORITY – EAST EMERGENCY BOARD MEETING FRIDAY, MARCH 30, 2007

An Emergency Board Meeting of the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority - East was held on Friday, March 30, 2007, at 203 Plauche Court, Harahan, Louisiana, after due legal notice of the meeting was sent to each member and the news media and posted.

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by President Jackson, who then led in the pledge of allegiance. The roll was called and a quorum of the Board was present.

Present:

Thomas L. Jackson, President John M. Barry, Secretary Timothy P. Doody, Treasurer David P. Barnes, Jr. Stradford A. Goins Larry A. McKee Louis E. Wittie

Absent:

Abril B. Sutherland, Vice President George Losonsky, Ph.D. Ricardo S. Pineda Sara Lee St. Vincent

Also Present:

Stevan Spencer, Orleans Levee District (O.L.D.) Director Flood Protection Michael Botnick, Legal Counsel Louis Capo, O.L.D. Director Non-Flood Assets James Bollinger, O.L.D. Comptroller Denise Fitzgerald, Assistant Attorney General Cornelia Ullmann, O.L.D. Interim Counsel Wilma Heaton, O.L.D. Executive Dept.

Opening Comments:

President Jackson provided an update on recent meetings and reported on the meeting held with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers that he attended along with Mr. Doody regarding interim protection along the Inner Harbor Navigation Canal (IHNC). The potential exposure and risk over the next four years to St. Bernard and Orleans Parishes before a long term solution for the IHNC is completed was then discussed, along with measures that are being taken by the USACE.

Mr. Doody advised Lake Borgne Levee District Director Bob Turner reported on his meeting with FEMA; temporary pumps will be provided by FEMA, possibly within 60 days. President Jackson thanked everyone for their hard work on this effort.

RESOLUTION #03-30-07-001 EMERGENCY MEETING - AMENDED AGENDA

Mr. Barry recommended, in light of the closing for public comments on April 2nd, that the SLFPA-E take a stance on the CRPA master plan. A motion was offered by Mr. Doody, seconded by Mr. Barnes, and unanimously adopted to amend the agenda to add a motion stating the SLFPA-E's position on the CPRA master plan.

On the motion of Mr. Doody,

Seconded by Mr. Barry, the following resolution was offered:

A resolution to approve and accept agenda as amended for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – East Emergency Board Meeting of March 30, 2007.

The foregoing was submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:YEAS:Mr. Barry, Mr. Doody, Mr. McKee, Mr. Goins, Mr. Barnes, Mr. WittieNAYS:NoneABSENT:Ms. Sutherland, Mr. Pineda, Ms. St. Vincent, Mr. Lesensky

ABSENT: Ms. Sutherland, Mr. Pineda, Ms. St. Vincent, Mr. Losonsky

A motion was offered by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mr. Wittie, and unanimously approved to convene in Executive Session to consider the matter listed on the agenda.

The Board reconvened in regular session, and the meeting was called back to order.

RESOLUTION #03-30-07-003 - CPRA - MASTER PLAN

On the motion of Mr. Doody,

Seconded by Mr. Barry, the following resolution was offered:

Whereas the master plan developed by the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority is one of the most important documents affecting hurricane protection in Louisiana, and specifically in part of the region for which the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority - East is responsible, and Whereas drafters of the master plan and critics agree that the scientific basis for certain proposals in the most recent draft has not yet been established or the engineering worked out, and

Whereas it is critical to the future of the state that these projects perform as desired, and

Whereas public comment closes April 2, 2007 and the plan goes to the state legislature soon after CPRA's April 12, 2007 meeting, and Whereas it behooves this authority to state its position on this plan,

Resolved

That the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority - East endorses the conceptual framework laid out in this plan and urges that the final plan as presented to the legislature includes a process for outside peer review of proposed projects, and that this peer review be integrated into the planning process so as not to delay work. Further, that this Authority urges the state legislature to give maximum flexibility to the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority so that it may continue to improve the plan, so as to best protect the citizens of, and enhance the economy, culture, and environment of, the State of Louisiana.

The foregoing was submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:
YEAS: Mr. Barry, Mr. Doody, Mr. McKee, Mr. Goins, Mr. Barnes, Mr. Wittie
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Ms. Sutherland, Mr. Pineda, Ms. St. Vincent, Mr. Losonsky

ABSENT: MS. Suthenand, Mr. Pineda, MS. St. Vincent, Mr. Losonsk

RESOLUTION #03-30-07-002 – LITIGATION - HASPEL & DAVIS MILLING & PLANTING CO. LTD.

On the motion of Mr. Barry,

Seconded by Mr. McKee, the following resolution was offered:

Resolved, that the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – East authorize counsel in the matter of "Haspel Davis Milling Co., et al, v. Orleans Levee District" to provide security to the court in the form of an escrow account, controlled by the Orleans Levee District, as counsel deems appropriate, to obtain a stay of execution of the judgment from the court, with the advice and consent of the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West and the Division of Administration of the State of Louisiana. The foregoing was submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:YEAS:Mr. Barry, Mr. Doody, Mr. McKee, Mr. Goins, Mr. Barnes, Mr. WittieNAYS:NoneABSENT:Ms. Sutherland, Mr. Pineda, Ms. St. Vincent, Mr. Losonsky

There was no further business, therefore the meeting was adjourned.