

NEW YORK CITY WATER BOARD

December 21, 2007

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 1045-g(8) of the New York City Municipal Water Finance Authority Act (the "Act"), the Board is authorized to enter into contracts and to retain private consultants on a contract basis for the purpose of obtaining professional or technical services to assist the Board in carrying out its responsibilities; and,

WHEREAS, in the interest of improved efficiency and reliability in operating the City's drinking water and wastewater collection infrastructure, the New York City Department of Environmental Protection ("DEP") has identified to the Board a need for the services of a management consultant to develop a Benchmarking and Best Practices Model for DEP's Bureau of Water and Sewer Operations ("BWSO"); and

WHEREAS, Requests for Proposals ("RFP") in connection with said Benchmarking and Best Practices Model were issued on July 2, 2007 to a total of twenty-eight potential consulting firms, four of which submitted technical and cost proposals for consideration and review by BWSO staff; and

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed a memorandum from BWSO Deputy Commissioner, James J. Roberts, P.E., dated October 7, 2007, which sets forth a recommendation for the designation of Huron Consulting Group ("Huron") to perform the necessary evaluations on behalf of BWSO; and,

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Water Board's Policy on the Procurement of Goods and Services, in particular, Section 4 (selection based on the best combination of technical merit and price) and Section 5.i. (prior approval of contracts where the cumulative value exceeds \$100,000), the Board finds the selection of Huron appropriate; be it, therefore,

RESOLVED, that the Executive Director is hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement with Huron to develop a Best Practices Model for BWSO upon such terms and conditions as the Executive Director may deem reasonable and appropriate, provided however that the total compensation for services performed shall not exceed \$830,000.