

STATE PROPERTIES COMMITTEE

SPECIAL MEETING

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2006

A special meeting of the State Properties Committee was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Chairman Arn Lisnoff. Other members present were Mr. Norman Tremblay, representing the Department of Administration, and Mr. Richard Woolley representing the Department of Attorney General. Also in attendance were William McCarthy from the Rhode Island Department of Transportation; John Ryan from the Department of Administration; Anne Connor from National Grid, USA; and Reverend Eliseo Noguerras and Reinaldo Guerra of the Hispanic Ministerial Association.

ITEM A – DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION – A request was made by the Hispanic Ministerial Association of Rhode Island for permission to utilize the State House for Unity Day on September 2, 2006 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Mr. Ryan explained that the Hispanic Ministerial Association of Rhode Island will submit three (3) separate checks to the Department of Administration, Division of Facilities Management for the use of the State House. The first will be in the amount of \$600.00 for payment of the Capitol Police detail. The second will be in the amount of \$154.00 for the cost of insurance. Mr. Ryan indicated that the Hispanic Ministerial Association of Rhode Island will be covered under the State of Rhode Island's insurance coverage. The third check will be in the amount of \$500.00 representing the damage deposit. Reverend Noguerras explained that Unity Day is the day for all churches to come together to pray for the wellbeing of the State, the Nation and for the people. There will be music. There is no

alcohol, food or beverage of any kind served. Mr. Ryan clarified that the Hispanic Ministerial Association of Rhode Island will provide Porta Johns for this event. A motion was made to approve by Mr. Woolley and seconded by Mr. Tremblay.

Passed Unanimously

ITEM B – DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION – A request for approval and signatures on a Consent Agreement to assign the Easement Agreement dated September 18, 2001, from Prov Gas, Division of the New England Division of Southern Union Company to National Grid USA. Mr. McCarthy explained that on August 15, 2006, the Department of Transportation requested permission to allow Providence Gas Company to assign two (2) easements to National Grid, USA. At that meeting, Mr. Woolley expressed concern that the request for approval was premature, as the acquisition between Providence Gas Company and National Grid, USA, had not been finalized. Mr. McCarthy indicated that Anne Connor of National Grid informed the Department of Transportation that that National Grid acquired the Rhode Island assets of the Southern Union Company d/b/a Prov Gas Company on August 24, 2006. Therefore, the Department of Transportation is seeking final approval and execution of the Consent Agreement transferring the easement from Providence Gas Company to National Grid. A motion was made to approve by Mr. Woolley and seconded by Mr. Tremblay.

Passed Unanimously

There being no further business to come before the State Properties Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 1:07 p.m. Mr. Woolley made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Mr. Tremblay.

Passed Unanimously

Holly H. Rhodes, Executive Secretary