



Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR BOARD MEETING OF APRIL 3, 2014

COMMITTEE ON REAL ESTATE

Mr. David St. Pierre, Executive Director

Authority to issue a 15-year permit to Vulcan Materials Company on a 10' x 10' area of District Main Channel Parcel 33.03 and access thereto through Main Channel Parcel 33.02 located in Bedford Park, Illinois to install and maintain a seismograph. Consideration shall be \$10.00

Dear Sir:

Vulcan Materials Company ("Vulcan") has requested to enter District Main Channel Parcel 33.03 to install and maintain a seismograph. Blasting regulations require monitoring of structures within specified distances from quarries. District tenant Kinder Morgan leases Main Channel Parcel 33.02 which contains structures within these specified distances as Vulcan moves into Stage 2 of the mining of the McCook Reservoir. Accordingly, Vulcan needs to install additional instruments to meet these requirements.

Vulcan is requesting to place and operate the seismograph on Main Channel Parcel 33.03, which is District property on the Main Channel located adjacent to the Kinder Morgan leasehold. The mining work at the McCook Reservoir is anticipated to be completed by 2029. It is therefore recommended that the permit be issued for the remaining duration of Vulcan's mining work at the McCook Reservoir, which is 15 years. Although District permits are typically no longer than 5 years, a 15-year permit is being recommended in this instance since it directly relates to a regulation involving Vulcan's mining operations at the McCook Reservoir and the area is nominal in size, i.e., 100 square feet. Access to the site is through Kinder Morgan's leasehold. This permit is therefore subject to the consent of Kinder Morgan.

The District's technical departments have reviewed Vulcan's request to install and maintain a seismograph on Main Channel Parcel 33.03 and have no objection thereto. A nominal fee of \$10.00 is recommended as Vulcan is installing and maintaining the seismograph as part of its work at the McCook Reservoir and for the protection of a District tenant.

It is requested that the Executive Director recommend to the Board of Commissioners that it authorize the issuance of a 15-year permit to Vulcan Materials Company on a 10' x 10' area of District Main Channel Parcel 33.03 and access thereto through Main Channel Parcel 33.02 located in Bedford Park, Illinois to install and maintain a seismograph. Consideration shall be \$10.00.

It is also requested that the Executive Director recommend to the Board of Commissioners that it authorize and direct the Chairman of Committee on Finance and the Clerk to execute said permit agreement after it is approved by the General Counsel as to form and legality.

Requested, Ronald M. Hill, General Counsel, Catherine O'Connor, Director of Engineering, RMH:CAC:STM:vp
Recommended, David St. Pierre, Executive Director
Respectfully Submitted, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Chairman Committee on Real Estate
Disposition of this agenda item will be documented in the official Regular Board Meeting Minutes of the Board

of Commissioners for April 3, 2014

Attachment