



Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR BOARD MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 17, 2020

COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS

Mr. Brian A. Perkovich, Executive Director

Authority to extend until October 31, 2020, the terms of the collective bargaining agreements between the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago and 1) SEIU Local 1, Firemen and Oilers Division; 2) International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Local 700; 3) International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local Union No. 9 (Electrical Instrumentation and Testing); 4) International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local Union No. 9 (Electrical Operations); 5) International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local Union No. 9 (Motor Vehicle Dispatcher Group); and 6) International Union of Operating Engineers, Local Union No. 399

Dear Sir:

On June 30, 2020, the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District's collective bargaining agreements with the following six bargaining units expired: 1) SEIU Local 1, Firemen and Oilers Division; 2) International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Local 700; 3) International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local Union No. 9 (Electrical Instrumentation and Testing); 4) International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local Union No. 9 (Electrical Operations); 5) International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local Union No. 9 (Motor Vehicle Dispatcher Group); and 6) International Union of Operating Engineers, Local Union No. 399. A total of approximately 545 employees are represented in these six units.

Before, and again after, the agreements expired, the authorized representatives of all six bargaining units signed written extensions whereby they agreed, on behalf of the unions, to extend the terms and conditions of the existing agreements to a date specified in the extensions. Based on the most recent extensions submitted to the District, they seek to extend those terms until October 31, 2020.

Due to the current pandemic the parties have not met, however, all parties have agreed to extend their current agreement with an understanding that a final approach will be determined to address contract negotiations. Therefore, it is requested that the Executive Director recommend to the Board of Commissioners that it approve extending the terms and conditions of these existing agreements until October 31, 2020.

Requested, Beverly K. Sanders, Director of Human Resources

Recommended, Brian A. Perkovich, Executive Director

Disposition of this agenda item will be documented in the official Regular Board Meeting Minutes of the Board of Commissioners for September 17, 2020