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METROPOLITAN COUNCIL

Mears Park Centre, 390 Robert Street North, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101

Meeting of the **METROPOLITAN AREA WATER SUPPLY ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

October 23, 2008

Committee Members Present:	Peter Bell, Chair Dennis Berg Greg Buzicky Tom Furlong Chuck Haas Joseph Harris James Japs Linda Loomis Sanne Magnan Brad Moore Gaylen Reetz John Stine Barry Stock	Metropolitan Council Anoka County, Commissioner Department of Agriculture – Alternate City of Chanhassen, Mayor City of Hugo, Council Member Dakota County, Commissioner DNR, Assistant Director, Waters - Alternate City of Golden Valley, Mayor Department of Health, Commissioner Pollution Control Agency, Commissioner Pollution Control Agency – Alternate Department of Health – Alternate City of Savage, Administrator
Committee Members Excused/Absent:	Gene Hugoson Peggy Leppik Steve Schneider	Department of Agriculture, Commissioner Metropolitan Council Member St. Paul Regional Water Services, General Mgr.

Call to Order

Chair Bell called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

Approval of Agenda

It was moved by Harris, seconded by Haas to approve the October 23, 2008 agenda and the minutes of the September 25, 2008 meeting. **Motion carried.**

Planning Schedule Update

After reviewing the schedule, it was decided three stakeholder workshops will be held in November, and the November 20 and December 18 advisory committee meetings will be canceled. The next advisory committee meeting will be in January 2009.

Issue Threshold and Response Presentation

In response to questions raised at the September 25 meeting, Chris Elvrum presented the Threshold Responses, which defines actions the DNR will require communities take if they select to use a source with an identified issue. The thresholds response tables were developed in consultation with MDH and DNR. The thresholds and the responses build off existing DNR and MDH management strategies.

The threshold responses are intended to be used when a community plans to expand its water supply system by increasing its withdrawal from an existing well(s) or constructing a new well. The community would first consult the community profiles. If the source the community is planning on using is flagged with an issue, then the community must address that issue either through the actions outlined in the issue response tables, using a different source, or demonstrating that the using the source will not result in the issue.

Master Water Supply Plan Discussion

Brief summary of revisions made to plan. Added principle 3, as proposed by MDH. Edited principle 4 with language suggested by MDH. Decision-making process and roles of agencies clarified.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.