

BOARD OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY MEETING TAKEN  
AT THE LOUISIANA STATE EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT  
SYSTEM, 8401 UNITED PLAZA BOULEVARD, 4TH FLOOR,  
BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA ON JUNE 25, 2013  
COMMENCING AT 1:40 P.M.

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1 APPEARANCES OF BOARD MEMBERS:

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3 R.K. MEHROTRA, CHAIRMAN

4 STEVE WINDHAM

5 MILLIE ATKINS

6 JERALD JONES

7 LANCE BELCHER

8 GORDON BURGESS

9 KEVIN LANGLEY

10 STEVEN GRISSOM

11 MAYOR GLENN BRASSEAU

12 WILDA SMITH

13 CHARLES SOPRANO

14 WILLIAM KING

15 ANDRE FRUGE

16 BRYAN BOSSIER

17 THOMAS HOLDEN

18 HUNTER GREENE

19 MICHELLE DUCHARME

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1 APPEARANCES OF STAFF MEMBERS:

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3 MELISSA SORRELL

4 FRANK FAVALORO

5 BECKY LAMBERT

6 MARYLYN FRIEDKIN

7 LORI WEBER

8 ANNE VILLA

9 MELISSA MOORE

10 RICK BROUSSARD

11 ROSHONDA HANIBLE

12 BRENDA GUESS

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MR. MEHROTRA:

Call to order. Welcome to the  
June 2013 Board meeting for the  
State of Louisiana Board of  
Commerce and Industry. I would  
like to welcome everybody. Thank  
you for your attendance. Can we  
get a roll call, please.

MS. SORRELL:

Matt Parker for Governor  
Jindal. Steve Windham for  
Lieutenant Governor Dardenne.

MR. WINDHAM:

Here.

MS. SORRELL:

Millie Atkins.

MS. ATKINS:

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MS. SORRELL:

Lance Belcher.

MR. BELCHER:

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MS. SORRELL:

Bryan Bossier.

MR. BOSSIER:

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MS. SORRELL:

Gordon Burgess.

MR. BURGESS:

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MS. SORRELL:

Mark Delesdernier. Jeffrey  
Elmore. Andre Fruge.

MR. FRUGE:

Here.

MS. SORRELL:

Richard Gonsoulin. Mayor  
Brasseaux.

MAYOR BRASSEAU:

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MS. SORRELL:

Jerry Jones.

MR. JONES.

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MS. SORRELL:

William King.

MR. KING:

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Kevin Langley.

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MR. LANGLEY:

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MS. SORRELL:

Thomas Holden.

MR. HOLDEN:

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MS. SORRELL:

R.K. Mehrotra.

MR. MEHROTRA:

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MS. SORRELL:

Steven Grissom for Secretary

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MR. GRISSOM:

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MS. SORRELL:

Gayle Potts Roque. Wilda

Smith.

MS. SMITH:

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MS. SORRELL:

Charles Soprano.

MR. SOPRANO:

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MS. SORRELL:

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Representative Greene for  
Representative Ponti.

MR. GREENE:

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MS. SORRELL:

Michelle Ducharme for Senator  
Martiny.

MS. DUCHARME:

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MS. SORRELL:

Representative Pugh.

MR. PUGH:

Here.

MS. SORRELL:

Senator Riser. We have a  
quorum.

MR. MEHROTRA:

Thank you, Ms. Sorrell. Can I  
get a motion to approve the  
minutes from our April 23, 2013  
meeting. Mr. Belcher. Second by  
Mr. Jones. All in favor say aye.

ALL BOARD MEMBERS:

Aye.

MR. MEHROTRA:

1 All oppose? If you would like  
2 to address the Board, we have  
3 some blue cards out there. Please  
4 fill one of those cards out and  
5 bring it to the table. At this  
6 time I would like to welcome  
7 three new board members. Mayor  
8 Brasseaux, Mr. Thomas Holden and  
9 Representative Stephen Pugh.  
10 Welcome to the Board. Would y'all  
11 like to make any comments?

12 MR. HOLDEN:

13 My name is Tom Holden. I am  
14 an architect in Baton Rouge. I  
15 have been in Louisiana for the  
16 greatest part of my life. My  
17 family is here in Baton Rouge. My  
18 kids are raised here. The last  
19 four years I contributed my time  
20 to the construction co-counsel  
21 and was asked to be -- I agreed  
22 to do a different one and glad to  
23 be here, so I look forward it.

24 MR. MEHROTRA:

25 Thank you, Mr. Holden. Mr.

1 Brasseaux.

2 MR. BRASSEAU:

3 Glenn Brasseaux. I am the  
4 Mayor of Carencro. In case you  
5 can't tell, I'm a Cajun. Do we  
6 have any interpreters out there?  
7 I have been in office over 24  
8 year city councilman and in my  
9 10th year as Mayor and it's an  
10 honor to be here today.

11 MR. MEHROTRA:

12 Thank you, Mayor.  
13 Representative Pugh.

14 MR. PUGH:

15 Thank you. My name is Stephen  
16 Pugh. I'm from Ponchatoula,  
17 Louisiana; strawberry capital.  
18 I'm glad to -- sorry about that.  
19 How about now? Just because we  
20 went through that last session  
21 doesn't mean you have to turn my  
22 mic off. Come on, now. I'm Steve  
23 Pugh from Ponchatoula. I'm glad  
24 to be here. I have some big shoes  
25 to fill without Representative

1 Robideaux, and just glad to be  
2 here and this is what Louisiana  
3 is all about is Commerce and  
4 Industry, so thank you.

5 MR. MEHROTRA:

6 Thank y'all for y'all's  
7 service. Okay. We will move on to  
8 the Quality Jobs Program. Mr.  
9 Favalaro.

10 MR. FAVALORO:

11 Yes, sir. I have seven  
12 applications. 20130765, Federated  
13 Sample, LLC in Orleans.

14 20120501, General Electric  
15 Capital Corporation in Orleans  
16 Parish.

17 20110780, Halliburton Energy  
18 Services, Inc. in Lafayette.

19 20111111, Houston Pating &  
20 Coatings, LLC doing business as  
21 Louisiana Plating & Coatings in  
22 Lafayette.

23 20120965, Intralox, LLC in  
24 Tangipahoa.

25 20111070, Louisiana Spirits,

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LLC in Jefferson Davis.

And 20120872, Momentum NA  
Inc. in Orleans.

That concludes the  
applications.

MR. MEHROTRA:

Thank you. Motion to approve.  
Mr. Soprano, and second by Ms.  
Smith. Comments or discussion  
from the floor? Comments or  
discussion from the Board. All in  
favor say aye.

ALL BOARD MEMBERS:

Aye.

MR. MEHROTRA:

All opposed? There is no  
opposition.

MR. FAVALORO:

I have four renewal  
applications.

20080954, Blackwater  
Midstream Corporation in  
Jefferson.

070954 ISeatz, Inc. in  
Orleans.

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20081130, Turn Services, LLC  
in St. John the Baptist.

20080180, Zagis USA, LLC in  
Jefferson Davis.

That concludes the renewals.

MR. MEHROTRA:

Thank you. Can I get a motion  
to approve. Mr. Windham. Second  
by Mr. King. Comments or  
discussion from the floor?  
Comments or discussion from the  
Board? All in favor say aye.

ALL BOARD MEMBERS:

Aye.

MR. MEHROTRA:

All opposed? There is no  
opposition.

MR. FAVALORO:

I have one request to cancel  
a contract. That is the National  
World War II Museum Inc. Contract  
No. 070336. The company request  
to participate in the Enterprise  
Zone Program. No benefits have  
been received in Orleans Parish.

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MR. MEHROTRA:

Motion to approve. Mr. Fruge.  
Second by Mr. Windham. Comments  
or discussion from the floor?  
Comments or discussion from the  
Board?

MR. JONES:

Yes. Mr. Favalaro, did the  
museum ask for the contract to  
cancel?

MR. FAVALORO:

Yes, sir.

MR. JONES:

Thank you.

MR. MEHROTRA:

Okay. Any other discussion?  
All in favor say aye.

ALL BOARD MEMBERS:

Aye.

MR. MEHROTRA:

All opposed? There is no  
opposition.

MR. FAVALORO:

I have one request for  
cancellation of an application.

1 JELD-WEN, Inc. 062262. It was  
2 previously approved at the  
3 February 26, 2008 Board. The  
4 contract was never executed and  
5 the applicant requested  
6 cancellation. The project was  
7 delayed and the applicant filed a  
8 new application for participation  
9 in the Quality Jobs Program in  
10 Winn Parish.

11 MR. MEHROTRA:

12 Thank you. Motion to approve.  
13 Mr. Jones. Second by Ms. Smith.  
14 Comments or discussion from the  
15 floor? Comments or discussion  
16 from the Board? All in favor say  
17 aye.

18 ALL BOARD MEMBERS:

19 Aye.

20 MR. MEHROTRA:

21 All opposed? There is no  
22 opposition.

23 MR. FAVALORO:

24 I have three requests for  
25 change in name only.

1                   2009-0998, CenturyTel, Inc.  
2                   doing business as CenturyLink and  
3                   Affiliates to CenturyLink, Inc.  
4                   and Affiliates in Ouachita.

5                   2002-0278, the New Orleans  
6                   Hornets NBA Limited Partnership  
7                   to New Orleans Hornets NBA, LLC  
8                   in Orleans.

9                   And 2002-0278, New Orleans  
10                  Hornets NBA, LLC to New Orleans  
11                  Pelicans NBA, LLC in Orleans.

12                  MR. MEHROTRA:

13                  Thank you. Motion to approve  
14                  Mr. Soprano. Yes, Ms. Atkins.

15                  MS. ATKINS:

16                  I will actually recuse from  
17                  voting on Contract No. 2009-0998.

18                  MR. MEHROTRA:

19                  Thank you, Ms. Atkins. The  
20                  record will show Ms. Atkins will  
21                  be abstaining from the vote on  
22                  that contract number.

23                  Motion to approve by Mr.  
24                  Soprano, and a second by Mr.  
25                  Windham. Discussion from the

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floor? Discussion from the Board?

MR. JONES:

Mr. Favalaro, is this the time that we can object to the name of the Pelicans?

MR. FAVALORO:

That's up to you.

MR. JONES:

Does this Board have that authority?

MR. MEHROTRA:

All in favor say aye.

ALL BOARD MEMBERS:

Aye.

MR. MEHROTRA:

All opposed. There is no opposition.

MR. FAVALORO:

I have one request to change the operating site only.

Turner Services, LLC,  
2008-1130 from 1342 Highway 44 in Reserve to 3333 Chartres Street in New Orleans. From St. John The Baptist Parish to Orleans.

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MR. MEHROTRA:

Thank you. Motion to approve.

Mr. Windham. Second by  
Representative Pugh. Comments or  
discussion from the floor?  
Comments or discussion from the  
Board? All in favor say aye.

ALL BOARD MEMBERS:

Aye.

MR. MEHROTRA:

All opposed? There is no  
opposition.

MR. FAVALORO:

I have one request to  
transfer an existing contract.  
Contract No. 20110182, Greatwide  
Logistics Services, LLC to  
Greatwide Dedicated Transport  
III, LLC in St. Tammany.

MR. MEHROTRA:

Thank you. Motion to approve  
by Mr. Burgess. Second by Ms.  
Atkins. Comments or discussion  
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favor say aye.

ALL BOARD MEMBERS:

Aye.

MR. MEHROTRA:

All opposed? There is no  
opposition. Mr. Favaloro, thank  
you.

MR. FAVALORO:

Thank you.

MR. MEHROTRA:

Okay. We'll now go to  
Restoration Tax Abatement Program  
by Ms. Lambert.

MS. LAMBERT:

Good afternoon. We have one  
application for Restoration Tax  
Abatement for Application No.  
20100668, Burgundy Development,  
LLC in Orleans.

MR. MEHROTRA:

Thank you. Can I have a  
motion to approve. Mayor  
Brasseaux. Second by Mr. Jones.  
Comments or discussion from the  
floor? Comments or discussion

1 from the Board? All in favor say  
2 aye.

3 ALL BOARD MEMBERS:

4 Aye.

5 MR. MEHROTRA:

6 All opposed? There is no  
7 opposition.

8 MS. LAMBERT:

9 And we have one special  
10 request to correct the name on  
11 the approved contract. At the  
12 last Board meeting the Board  
13 approved a contract for Duplain  
14 W. Rhodes Funeral Home, Inc., the  
15 name which was on the advance  
16 notification. A different name  
17 was placed on the application. It  
18 should read Rhodes Commercial  
19 Developments, LLC and Duplain W.  
20 Rhodes Funeral Home, Inc. We want  
21 to correct that on the contract  
22 to reflect the same. Staff  
23 request approval to correct.

24 MR. MEHROTRA:

25 Motion to approve. Mr.

1                   Holden. Second by Mr. King. All  
2                   in favor or -- comments or  
3                   discussion from the floor?  
4                   Comments or discussion from the  
5                   Board? All in favor say aye.

6                   ALL BOARD MEMBERS:

7                   Aye.

8                   MR. MEHROTRA:

9                   All opposed? There is no  
10                  opposition.

11                 MS. LAMBERT:

12                 Thank you.

13                 MR. MEHROTRA:

14                 Thank you. Thank you, Ms.

15                 Lambert. Enterprise Zone Program,

16                 Ms. Hanible.

17                 MS. HANIBLE:

18                 Thank you, Chairman. We have  
19                 17 applications for the Board's  
20                 consideration.

21                 AFC Enterprises, Inc. doing  
22                 business as Popeyes Louisiana  
23                 Kitchen in Jefferson Parish.

24                 B&G Food Enterprises, LLC  
25                 doing business as Taco Bell

1 #27665 in Orleans Parish.

2 C & C Marine and Repair, LLC  
3 in Plaquemines Parish.

4 Deep Hole Drilling Services,  
5 LLC in St. Martin Parish.

6 Diversified Foods &  
7 Seasonings Incorporated doing  
8 business as Diversified Foods &  
9 Seasonings in St. Tammany Parish.

10 Exxon Mobil Corp doing  
11 business as Exxon Mobil Corp  
12 (Chemical) in East Baton Rouge  
13 Parish.

14 International-Matex Tank  
15 Terminals in St. Charles Parish.

16 Lafayette General Surgical  
17 Hospital, LLC in Lafayette  
18 Parish.

19 Notami Hospitals of Louisiana  
20 Incorporated doing business as  
21 Lakeview Regional Medical Center  
22 in St. Tammany Parish.

23 Ram Vishnu, LLC doing  
24 business as Stay USA Inns in  
25 Tensas Parish.

1                   Sam's East Incorporated doing  
2                   business as Sam's Club #4874 in  
3                   St. Tammany Parish.

4                   The National World War II  
5                   Museum Incorporated located in  
6                   Orleans Parish.

7                   Turner Industries Group, LLC  
8                   in East Baton Rouge Parish.  
9                   Turner Industries Group, LLC in  
10                  East Baton Rouge Parish, and  
11                  Turner Industries Group, LLC in  
12                  West Baton Rouge Parish.

13                  University Healthcare System,  
14                  LLC doing business as Tulane  
15                  University Hospital located in  
16                  Orleans Parish.

17                  Waskey Bridges Incorporated  
18                  located in East Baton Rouge  
19                  parish.

20                  MR. MEHROTRA:

21                  Thank you, Ms. Hanible. Can I  
22                  have a motion to approve? Mr.  
23                  Fruge. A second by Ms. Smith.  
24                  Comments or discussion from the  
25                  floor? Comments or discussion

1 from the Board?

2 MR. JONES:

3 Mr. Chairman, I need to  
4 recuse myself from the Exxon  
5 Mobil Case No. 20120867, but  
6 otherwise will be voting.

7 MR. MEHROTRA:

8 Thank you, Mr. Jones. Any  
9 further discussion? All in favor  
10 say aye.

11 ALL BOARD MEMBERS:

12 Aye.

13 MR. MEHROTRA:

14 All opposed? There is no  
15 opposition.

16 MS. HANIBLE:

17 We have one application for  
18 cancellation. That's Natchitoches  
19 Medical Specialist, PLLC.  
20 Application No. -- Enterprise  
21 Zone Application No. 20091116 in  
22 Natchitoches Parish. The Board  
23 originally approved the  
24 application at the February 2012  
25 Board meeting. However, the

1 Department of Revenue issued an  
2 objection since that time. That  
3 objection has not been satisfied  
4 or cleared by the company or the  
5 Department of Revenue, so the  
6 staff recommends cancellation of  
7 the application.

8 MR. MEHROTRA:

9 Okay. Thank you. Can I have a  
10 motion to approve. Mr. Jones.

11 Second --

12 MR. GREENE:

13 I have a question.

14 MR. MEHROTRA:

15 Yes.

16 MR. GREENE:

17 Ma'am, what is the reason for  
18 the objection by the Department  
19 of Revenue?

20 MS. HANIBLE:

21 The Department of Revenue  
22 don't let us know what the  
23 objection is. In most cases it's  
24 a liability, the financial  
25 liability that is likely owed to

1 the Department of Revenue by the  
2 company or to any of its LLC  
3 members.

4 MR. GREENE:

5 So it could be the LLC or  
6 some of the owners, the members  
7 of the LLC --

8 MS. HANIBLE:

9 Have an outstanding debt with  
10 the Department of Revenue.

11 MR. GREENE:

12 Is there any other reason why  
13 they would issue an objection or  
14 do we have somebody here from the  
15 Department of Revenue?

16 MS. HANIBLE:

17 No. Sometimes it's the name  
18 versus what we have on the  
19 application with what they have  
20 on the file that can cause a  
21 discrepancy. The site location.  
22 Those are usually cleared up in a  
23 matter of days once we're  
24 notified and once the company is  
25 notified, but when it's something

1           that's as long as this it's  
2           usually a balance due to revenue.  
3           I can't say that's what the  
4           problem is here, but history says  
5           when it's this long, it's --

6                   MR. GREENE:

7                   I guess my question is the  
8                   application was approved in 2012  
9                   and have we heard from  
10                  Natchitoches Medical Specialist?  
11                  Have they requested it?

12                   MS. HANIBLE:

13                  We have. Under our program  
14                  rules we allow a company six  
15                  months to make contact with the  
16                  Department of Revenue and resolve  
17                  the issue. We have been in  
18                  contact with Natchitoches Medical  
19                  Specialist and working with them.  
20                  That's why we're cancelling it 18  
21                  months later versus six months  
22                  later and it does not appear to  
23                  be a resolvable issue at this  
24                  time, so we have worked with  
25                  Natchitoches Medical Specialist,

1 we kept in contact with Revenue  
2 to make sure that objection still  
3 is there. We've lost contact with  
4 Natchitoches Medical Specialist  
5 and haven't heard anything from  
6 them since about February of this  
7 year.

8 MR. GREENE:

9 So they were put on notice  
10 about today's meeting, correct?

11 MS. HANIBLE:

12 Yes, sir.

13 MR. GREENE:

14 Okay. I guess I am just  
15 trying to make sure if the  
16 Department of Revenue comes in  
17 and then we don't necessarily  
18 know what the objection was, we  
19 just know there is an objection,  
20 but I guess it was important to  
21 Natchitoches Medical Specialist  
22 that would show up. All right.  
23 Thank you.

24 MS. HANIBLE:

25 You are welcome.

1 MR. MEHROTRA:

2 Okay. So we continue with the  
3 motion to approve the  
4 cancellation of the application.  
5 I have a motion by Mr. Windham.  
6 Second by Mr. Fruge. Comments or  
7 discussion from the floor?  
8 Comments or discussion from the  
9 Board? All in favor say aye.

10 ALL BOARD MEMBERS:

11 Aye.

12 MR. MEHROTRA:

13 All opposed? There is no  
14 opposition.

15 MS. HANIBLE:

16 Thank you. We have seven  
17 contracts for cancellation.  
18 Bourgeois Smokehouse, LLC.  
19 Enterprise Zone Contract No.  
20 061766 in Lafourche Parish. The  
21 company did not meet the hiring  
22 requirements; therefore, the must  
23 be canceled.

24 Maxwell's Market Highland  
25 Road, LLC doing business as

1 Maxwell's Market. EZ Contract No.  
2 20091121 in East Baton Rouge  
3 Parish. The company requested  
4 cancellation of their contract  
5 since they cannot meet the hiring  
6 requirements.

7 Pax, LLC. EZ No. 20110203 in  
8 Beauregard Parish. The company  
9 request cancellation of their  
10 contract. They did not provide a  
11 reason for their cancellation.

12 Pax, LLC. EZ Contract No.  
13 20110206 in Ascension Parish. The  
14 company requested cancellation of  
15 contract. No reason provided.

16 Phylway Construction, LLC. EZ  
17 Contract No. 20110202, Lafourche  
18 Parish. The company requested  
19 cancellation of contract since  
20 they cannot meet the hiring  
21 requirements.

22 Reserve at Squirrel Run, LLC.  
23 EZ Contract No. 070811 in Iberia  
24 Parish. The company received an  
25 executed contract in September of

1                   2009 and they have failed to  
2                   supply their Employee  
3                   Certification Report. We have  
4                   contacted them numerous times by  
5                   e-mail, by U.S. Postal mail and  
6                   by certified mail and have not  
7                   received any responses to any of  
8                   our correspondence, so the staff  
9                   recommends cancellation of that.

10                         Stephen Manufacturing, LLC.  
11                   EZ Contract No. 20090315 in  
12                   Ouachita Parish. The company  
13                   request cancellation of their  
14                   contract since they cannot meet  
15                   the hiring requirements.

16                         MR. MEHROTRA:  
17                         Thank you. Motion to approve.  
18                   Mr. Burgess. Second by Ms.  
19                   Atkins. Comments or discussion  
20                   from the floor? Comments or  
21                   discussion from the Board? All in  
22                   favor say aye.

23                         ALL BOARD MEMBERS:  
24                         Aye.

25                         MR. MEHROTRA:

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All opposed? There is no  
opposition.

MS. HANIBLE:

There are two contracts for  
name change. B&G Food  
Enterprises, LLC doing business  
as Taco Bell No. 2314 request  
change in name to B&G Food  
Enterprises, LLC doing business  
as Taco Bell No. 26773. This is  
in reference to EZ Contract No.  
20110184.

The second request is from  
Georgia Gulf Chemicals 7 Vinyl's,  
LLC in Iberville Parish  
requesting the name change to  
Axiall, LLC, which is in  
reference to EZ Contract No.  
20110115.

MR. MEHROTRA:

Thank you. Motion to approve.  
Mr. Jones. Second by Ms. Smith.  
Comments or discussion from the  
floor? Comments or discussion  
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say aye.

ALL BOARD MEMBERS:

Aye.

MR. MEHROTRA:

All opposed? There is no  
opposition.

MS. HANIBLE:

We have one request for  
change of address. That's  
Ampirical Solutions, LLC. EZ  
Contract No. 20110842. The  
company has relocated from 641  
River Highlands Boulevard in  
Covington, Louisiana. They have  
now located to 4 Sanctuary  
Boulevard, Suite 100 in  
Mandeville, Louisiana.

MR. MEHROTRA:

Thank you. Motion to approve.  
Mr. Holden. Second by Mr. King.  
Comments or discussion from the  
floor? Comments or discussion  
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MR MEHROTRA:

All opposed? There is no  
opposition.

MS. HANIBLE:

We have six contracts for  
termination. In accordance with  
Section 717.D of the Enterprise  
Zone Program rules. A business  
has the right to request  
cancellation of their contract  
providing that, one, the contract  
has been effective for at least  
30 months; and, two, that they  
have met the hiring requirements  
of the Enterprise Zone Program.  
Such as we have six companies who  
are seeking termination of their  
contract. 930 Poydras, LLC. EZ  
Contract No. 20071053 in Orleans  
Parish. The company has fulfilled  
the certification and job  
requirements of the program and  
foresees no future growth job at  
that site location. CCNO

1                   Development. EZ Contract No.  
2                   20071346 in Orleans Parish. The  
3                   company has met the certification  
4                   and jobs requirement of the  
5                   program in and states there won't  
6                   be no more job growth at that  
7                   location.

8                   Dhara, LLC. EZ Contract No.  
9                   20090997 in Calcasieu Parish. The  
10                  company has met the certification  
11                  and job requirements and their  
12                  consultants state the company  
13                  will not be requesting any  
14                  additional job tax credits for  
15                  employment.

16                  Hampton Inn & Suites,  
17                  Marksville. EZ Contract No.  
18                  20100824 in Avoyelles Parish. The  
19                  company has met the certification  
20                  and job requirements of the  
21                  Enterprise Zone Program and has  
22                  fully staffed their facility and  
23                  will not be seeking any  
24                  additional job check credits.

25                  Price LeBlanc Incorporated.

1                   EZ Contract No. 20080813 in  
2                   Ascension Parish. The company has  
3                   met the certification and job  
4                   requirements and their company  
5                   consultant says that they have  
6                   concluded all of their employment  
7                   growth at that facility.

8                   Lastly, we have The Young  
9                   Men's Christian Association of  
10                  Greater New Orleans, Louisiana.

11                  EZ Contract No. 20090778 in  
12                  Orleans Parish. The company has  
13                  met the certification and job  
14                  requirements and foresees no  
15                  future job growth at that  
16                  facility.

17                  MR. MEHROTRA:

18                  Motion to approve. Mr.  
19                  Soprano. And second by Mr. Jones.  
20                  Comments or discussion from the  
21                  floor? Comments or discussion  
22                  from the Board? All in favor say  
23                  aye.

24                  ALL BOARD MEMBERS:

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MR. MEHROTRA:

All opposed? There is no  
opposition. Thank you, Ms.  
Hanible.

MS. HANIBLE:

Thank you, Chairman.

MR. MEHROTRA:

Okay. Ms. Weber. Industrial  
Tax Exemption Program.

MS. WEBER:

Are you ready for me now?  
Shall we do the in-globo?

MR. MEHROTRA:

Yes. I have a motion.

MS. WEBER:

I do want to note one thing.  
There is CF Industries. If you're  
wondering what the FE means,  
that's a front end contract.

MR. MEHROTRA:

Okay. Thank you.

MR. JONES:

What do you mean by that?

MS. WEBER:

I am sorry?

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MR. JONES:

And what do you mean by that?

MS. WEBER:

That means they filed their advance notification and they immediately filed an application for the project before they started.

MR. MEHROTRA:

Thank you. I have a motion to suspend the read by Mr. Windham, and second by Mr. Burgess. And we'll handle it in-globo. Comments or discussion from the floor?

MR. JONES:

Mr. Chairman, I have several I need to recuse myself from. The first one is Dr. Reddys Laboratories, No. 20130155. Then there's five grouped together for Entergy. That's numbers 20111221 to 1224. And then 20130572, Lion Copolymer. And then, finally, Ormet Primary Aluminum at

1 20110680. Otherwise, I will vote.

2 MR. HOLDEN:

3 Mr. Chairman, I have to  
4 recuse myself from CF Industries.

5 MR. MEHROTRA:

6 Thank you, Mr. Holden. Okay.

7 All in favor say aye.

8 ALL BOARD MEMBERS:

9 Aye.

10 MR. MEHROTRA:

11 All opposed? There is no  
12 opposition.

13 MS. WEBER:

14 Okay. The next item is the  
15 Transfer of Tax Exemption  
16 Contract. BLC Leasing Company,  
17 Contract No. 20110205 to GE  
18 Capital Commercial in Red River.  
19 And then BLC Leasing Company --  
20 this is basically all of their  
21 active contracts -- to GE Capital  
22 Commercial in DeSoto.

23 Finally, PPG Industries.

24 Contract No. 20039026, 050286,

25 051278, 060650, 060651, 20080392,

1                   20080393, 20080419, 20100415 to  
2                   Eagle US 2 LLC in Calcasieu.

3                   MR. MEHROTRA:

4                   Thank you, Ms. Weber. Motion  
5                   to approve. Mr. Fruge, and second  
6                   by Ms. Atkins. Comments or  
7                   discussion from the floor?  
8                   Comments or discussion from the  
9                   Board? All in favor say aye.

10                  ALL BOARD MEMBERS:

11                  Aye.

12                  MR. MEHROTRA:

13                  All opposed? There is no  
14                  opposition.

15                  MS. WEBER:

16                  Okay. The change in locations  
17                  are basically corrections in the  
18                  system from the original  
19                  application. The addresses are  
20                  just slightly different.

21                  Louisiana Spirits, 20111070, from  
22                  20909 South Frontage Road, Iowa  
23                  to 20909 South Frontage Road,  
24                  Lacassine in Jefferson Davis.  
25                  Entergy Louisiana, LLC -

1 Perryville. 20039386, 060671,  
2 060283, 061250, 20071319,  
3 20080497, 20081239, 20091202,  
4 20101179, and 20111208. The  
5 address in the system is 1140  
6 Highway 61 North in Sterlington.  
7 It should be 11140 Highway 165  
8 North Sterlington in Ouachita.  
9 This is a corrective measure.

10 MR. MEHROTRA:

11 Thank you. Motion to approve.  
12 Mr. Langley. Second by Ms.  
13 Atkins. Comments or discussion  
14 from the Board?

15 MR. JONES:

16 Mr. Chairman, I will need to  
17 be recused from the Entergy  
18 contracts.

19 MR. MEHROTRA:

20 Okay. Mr. Jones will be  
21 recusing from the Entergy  
22 contracts. All in favor say aye.

23 ALL BOARD MEMBERS:

24 Aye.

25 MR. MEHROTRA:

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All oppose? There is no  
opposition.

MS. WEBER:

Okay. Next is the Partial  
Transfers. Do you want these all  
read?

MR. MEHROTRA:

How many are there?

MS. WEBER:

Yeah. They are all PPG.

MR. MEHROTRA:

Motion to handle it in-globo.  
Mr. Greene. Second from Mr. King.  
Comments or discussion from the  
floor? Comments or discussion  
from the Board? All in favor say  
aye.

ALL BOARD MEMBERS:

Aye.

MR. MEHROTRA:

All opposed? There is no  
opposition.

MS. WEBER:

I have three Cancellation of  
Contracts. The first is Southern

1                   BBQ Sauce, Incorporated, Contract  
2                   No. 070737. They ceased  
3                   manufacturing in late 2002 and  
4                   the property was reverted to  
5                   Andrew Guinn. He was the  
6                   President of the company. I was  
7                   notified by the Assessor's Office  
8                   about this incident. I've tried  
9                   to reach the company. I phoned, I  
10                  e-mailed and then I sent mail. So  
11                  no contact was achieved, so I am  
12                  requesting cancellation of this  
13                  contract. That's in Jefferson  
14                  Parish.

15                  Mexichem Fluor, Contract No.  
16                  20110408. They requested  
17                  cancellation because the assets  
18                  have been disposed of and are no  
19                  longer on site. That's in  
20                  Iberville.

21                  Southern Foods Group, LLC  
22                  doing business as Foremost Dairy,  
23                  All active contracts. The company  
24                  sent the request to LED dated  
25                  5/14/2013 indicating that all

1 manufacturing has ceased at their  
2 Shreveport plant and they wish to  
3 cancel all of their active  
4 contracts. They also requested  
5 cancellation of their 2012 MCA  
6 application, which I did inhouse.  
7 This is in Caddo Parish.

8 MR. MEHROTRA:

9 Motion to approve? Mr.  
10 Brasseaux and second by Ms.  
11 Atkins. Comments or discussion  
12 from the floor? Comments or  
13 discussion from the Board? All in  
14 favor say aye.

15 ALL BOARD MEMBERS:

16 Aye.

17 MR. MEHROTRA:

18 Opposed? There is no  
19 opposition.

20 MS. WEBER:

21 And finally have one Renewal  
22 Contract. 20040425A for UTLX  
23 Manufacturing in Rapides Parish.

24 MR. MEHROTRA:

25 Motion to approve. Second by

1 Mr. Windham. Discussion from the  
2 floor? Discussion from the Board?  
3 All in favor say aye.

4 ALL BOARD MEMBERS:

5 Aye.

6 MR. MEHROTRA:

7 Opposed? There is no  
8 opposition. Thank you, Ms. Weber.  
9 Mr. Grissom.

10 MR. GRISSOM:

11 Thank you, Mr. Chairman and  
12 Board members. First of all, I  
13 want to welcome our new Board  
14 members. Thank you for your  
15 service and look forward to  
16 working with you over the coming  
17 here.

18 I had two primary topics that  
19 I wanted to cover today with our  
20 Board members, but first was some  
21 recent recognition that LED  
22 participated in associated with  
23 Manufacturing Excellence in  
24 Louisiana, the Lantern Awards.  
25 This is something that was

1 provided to companies from eight  
2 regions across the state that had  
3 demonstrated excellent and  
4 manufacturing outstanding service  
5 to their communities. I wanted to  
6 let our Board members know of  
7 these companies in case you are  
8 in your communities and come  
9 across the principals with these  
10 companies, but we were very  
11 excited to be a part of this  
12 event recognizing their  
13 excellence. The first was  
14 Hightech Components in Broussard,  
15 the Acadiana region. The second  
16 was Dow Chemical Company in St.  
17 Charles/Hahnville/ Bayou region,  
18 and the Capital Region, Born and  
19 Printing. The Central Region BASF  
20 Corporation in Vidalia. North  
21 East Region in Goodyear Company  
22 in Monroe. Northwest region,  
23 Arcadia Gas Storage, Arcadia.  
24 Southeast region, Big Easy Blends  
25 in New Orleans. And the

1 southwest region, Century Group  
2 in Sulphur.

3 This is a program that has  
4 been in the works since 1979 and  
5 we've had annual businesses  
6 recognize -- to date we've  
7 recognized over 275 Louisiana  
8 manufacturing business.

9 The second thing that I  
10 wanted to cover was some recent  
11 progress that the state has made  
12 in our business rankings. This is  
13 something that LED pays close  
14 attention to and an area where we  
15 have seen significant progress  
16 over the years, and earlier since  
17 our last meeting in May, Chief  
18 Executive Magazine revealed that  
19 CEOs nationwide now rank  
20 Louisiana No. 11 in the U.S. This  
21 is the state's highest position  
22 ever in its annual survey of best  
23 and worst states for business.  
24 Since 2009 the state has improved  
25 in the nation best 33 spots in

1 the survey. We are very proud of  
2 that movement, and, obviously, we  
3 have continued work to perform,  
4 but moving up 33 spots to No. 11  
5 is something that we're excited  
6 about. This is one of several  
7 rankings that we use in our  
8 conversations with out of state  
9 businesses in letting them know  
10 the positive momentum that is  
11 occurring in the state and  
12 providing validation that indeed  
13 Louisiana is a smart place to do  
14 business, a smart place to  
15 invest. The Chief Executive  
16 Editor in Chief noted that the  
17 state has come a long way since  
18 2006 when it ranked 47th, so  
19 there's recognition of that  
20 dramatic increase in the survey,  
21 and, again, something that we're  
22 proud to be a part of and  
23 continue to focus on, and also I  
24 think it's a strong recognition  
25 of the work of this Board, so

1                   thank you very much. Be happy to  
2                   answer any other questions.

3                   MR. MEHROTRA:

4                   Okay. Outstanding, Mr.  
5                   Grissom. Thank you. Any comments  
6                   from the floor? Any comments from  
7                   the Board?

8                   MR. JONES:

9                   Mr. Chairman, on a personal  
10                  privilege, I see Ms. Friedkin  
11                  sitting in the back. I understand  
12                  that you have a retirement that  
13                  is pending; is that true?

14                  MS. FRIEDKIN:

15                  Yes, sir. I have two more  
16                  Board meetings. December 1st is  
17                  my official retirement date.

18                  MR. JONES:

19                  Marylyn was one of those when  
20                  I was a brand new member of this  
21                  Board about five years ago she  
22                  was trying to show me the  
23                  landmines and sometimes let me  
24                  step on them out of fun, but we  
25                  appreciate your service. Thank

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you, Marylyn.

MS. FRIEDKIN:

You're welcome.

MR. MEHROTRA:

On behalf of the members of  
the Board, I would like to thank  
the staff for your hard work. We  
appreciate y'all very much. Okay.  
Motion to adjourn by Mr. Fruge.  
Second by Mr. Burgess. Thank you.

(Whereupon the meeting concluded at 2:16 p.m.)

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