

RESOLUTION

OF THE

UNION COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Resolution No.: 37-2024

Date: July 17, 2024

Approved as to form:

Bianca Vargas, Clerk

Approved as to sufficiency of funds:
John Cuffo
Acting Comptroller
[] YES [] NO [X] NONE REQUIRED

RECOMMENDING AN ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION PLAN AMENDMENT TO THE UNION COUNTY DISTRICT SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN TO UPDATE THE BLOCK AND LOT NUMBERS AND REDUCE DAILY PROCESSING CAPACITY FOR A CLASS B RECYCLING CENTER OWNED AND OPERATED BY CASINGS OF NEW JERSEY, INC. IN THE TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Solid Waste Management Act, N.J.S.A. 13:1E-1 et seq. (the "SWMA"), each county within the State of New Jersey is designated a solid waste management district with responsibility for the development of a solid waste management plan setting forth the solid waste disposal strategy to be applied in the district; and

WHEREAS, the Union County District Solid Waste Management Plan (the "County Plan"), developed in accordance with the SWMA, was initially adopted by the County of Union (the "County") on June 7, 1979 and certified by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection ("NJDEP") on August 13, 1980, and has since been amended from time to time; and

WHEREAS, the Union County Utilities Authority ("UCUA") was created by the County, in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal and County Utilities Authorities Law, N.J.S.A. 40:14B-1 et seq., by an Ordinance adopted on June 5, 1986, as amended on December 11, 1986, and has been designated by the County, pursuant to and in accordance with the SWMA, as the agency responsible for implementation of the County Plan; and

WHEREAS, on or about May 28, 2024, Casings of New Jersey, Inc. ("Casings") filed an application with the UCUA, requesting an amendment of the County Plan to update the block and lot numbers and to reduce the daily processing capacity to 15 tons per day for the Class B Recycling Center located at 711 Ramsey Avenue in the Township of Hillside (the "Facility"), which property is owned by 689 Ramsey Avenue, LLC and leased and operated by Casings; and

WHEREAS, the Facility was incorporated as an amendment to the County Plan by the County on or about March 25, 2004 and the NJDEP certified and approved the amendment on or about August 10, 2004, pursuant to the requirements of N.J.S.A. 13:1E-1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, in the current County Plan, the Facility is identified as being located on Block 202, Lots 12, 13, 14 and a portion of Lot 15. As of March 1, 2024, due to an amendment in Casings' lease, the Facility size has been reduced and encompasses only Block 202, Lot 12 and a portion of Lot 15; and

WHEREAS, although the Facility's approved capacity in the current County Plan is a maximum of 185 tons per day (TPD), due to the aforementioned reduction in the size of the Facility, Casings has requested that the Facility's maximum capacity be reduced from 185 TPD to 15 TPD; and

WHEREAS, the NJDEP's solid waste regulations (N.J.A.C. 7:26-1.1 et seq.) provide certain actions to amend a county solid waste management plan may be taken by administrative action by the implementing agency without the necessity for a full plan amendment which would otherwise require notice and a public hearing before the governing body of the County; and

WHEREAS, UCUA has determined that the inclusion in the County Plan of the proposed Facility modifications does not warrant a full plan amendment and may be amended via administrative action, as set forth at N.J.A.C. 7:26-6.11(b); and

WHEREAS, on or about July 15, 2024, UCUA received a letter report from UCUA's Engineers, CME Associates, describing the proposed changes, setting forth no engineering objections to the Authority approving revisions to the Block and Lot numbers of the Facility or to the reduction in operational capacity of the Facility from 185 TPD to 15 TPD, to be adopted as an amendment to the County Plan, subject to County and NJDEP approval, as applicable; and

WHEREAS, the approval of Casings' application to amend the County Plan as described above is consistent with the Statewide Solid Waste Management Plan and the State's recycling goals, is in the best interests of the County and its citizens, and is necessary for UCUA's continued effective operation as the agency responsible for implementation of the County Plan; and

WHEREAS, based on the foregoing, UCUA desires to amend the County Plan based on Casings' application.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Union County Utilities Authority as follows:

Section 1. The aforesaid recitals are hereby incorporated by reference, as if set forth at length herein.

Section 2. UCUA hereby authorizes, by administrative action, an amendment to the County Plan to update the Block and Lot numbers of the Facility to be included in the County Plan to Block 202, Lots 12 and a portion of Lot 15 only (thereby eliminating lots 13 and 14 of Block 202) and to reduce the operational capacity of the Facility from 185 TPD to 15 TPD.

Section 3. The amendment to the County Plan is subject to Casings' compliance with the UCUA Engineer's (CME Associates) comments and recommendations in its July 15, 2024 letter report and receipt of approval from the County and NJDEP, if applicable.

Section 4. The Acting Executive Director of UCUA and Special Counsel are hereby authorized and directed to submit the application from Casings of New Jersey, Inc. and this

Resolution to NJDEP as an administrative action in order to obtain such approvals as may be necessary under law.

Section 5. A copy of this Resolution, together with a copy of Casings' application to amend the County Plan, shall be made available for public inspection at the UCUA's administrative offices located at 1499 Routes 1 & 9 North, Rahway, New Jersey.

Section 6. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.



	PRESENT	ABSENT	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	MOTION	SECOND
<i>Eastman</i>		✓					
<i>Figueiredo</i>		✓					
<i>Holder</i>	✓		✓				
<i>Jackus</i>	✓		✓				
<i>Kahn</i>	✓		✓				
<i>McManus</i>	✓		✓				✓
<i>Rachlin</i>	✓		✓				
<i>Scutari</i>	✓		✓				
<i>Szpond</i>	✓		✓				
<i>Alma, Alternate No. 1</i>	✓		✓				✓
<i>Scott-Bey, Alternate No. 2</i>		✓					