# FINAL REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

KINGS COUNTY LOCAL ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE
FOR THE PROPOSED CHEMICAL WASTE MANAGEMENT, INC.

KETTLEMAN HILLS FACILITY HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY EXPANSION PROJECT

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 05-10

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KINGS COUNTY LOCAL ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE

#### INTRODUCTION

This is the final report of the Kings County Local Assessment Committee for the proposed Chemical Waste Management, Inc. Kettleman Hills Facility Hazardous Waste Facility Expansion Project Conditional Use Permit No. 05-10. The Local Assessment Committee was appointed by the Board of Supervisors, County of Kings, State of California pursuant to California Health & Safety Code section 25199.7 (also referred to as the Tanner Act). This report discusses the purpose of the LAC, identifies the members of the Local Assessment Committee, summarizes its activities, and provides its recommendations to the Board of Supervisors concerning the terms and conditions under which the proposed project may be acceptable to the community.

## THE PURPOSE OF THE LOCAL ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE

The duties and responsibilities of a Local Assessment Committee (LAC) are described in the Tanner Act. The following information summarizes the LAC's statutory duties as they relate to the application of Chemical Waste Management, Inc. (CWMI) for approval of a conditional use permit for the proposed expansion of the B-18 hazardous waste land fill and the construction of the B-20 hazardous waste landfill at the Kettleman Hills Facility (Proposed Project).

The LAC is a seven-member committee appointed by the Kings County Board of Supervisors and made up of members of the community. Its primary function is to advise the Board of Supervisors and Planning Commission of the terms and conditions under which the Proposed Project may be acceptable to the community. To carry out this function, the LAC is expected to meet and confer with the representatives of CWMI to reach an understanding concerning (1) the measures that should be taken by CWMI to protect the public health, safety, welfare and environment of the County, and (2) the special benefits that CWMI will provide the County as compensation for the local costs associated with operation of the Proposed Project. In meeting with the CWMI representatives, the LAC represents the interests of the residents of the County and adjacent communities.

The County provides staff to assist the LAC in performing its duties. If the LAC finds that it requires independent advice to adequately review the Proposed Project, it may ask the County for a technical assistance grant to hire a consultant to assist the LAC in reviewing the application for the project and its environmental impact report (EIR), and/or to advise the LAC in its meetings with the CWMI representatives. Any technical assistance grant which may be made available is paid out of funds provided to the County by CWMI as the project applicant.

The LAC is to advise the Board of Supervisors and Planning Commission of the terms and conditions for project approval which have been agreed upon by the LAC and the CWMI representatives, and of any additional information the LAC deems appropriate. The Board of Supervisors may use this advice for its independent consideration of the Proposed Project and will make this advice available to the Planning Commission for its consideration of the Proposed Project. The LAC will cease to exist after state and local agencies have taken final administrative action on the permit applications for the Proposed Project.

#### THE MEMBERS OF THE LOCAL ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE

The duly appointed members of the Local Assessment Committee are:

Vern Grewal, Chair	Hanford	Community-at-Large
Aletha Ware, Vice-Chair	Kettleman City	Community-at-Large
David Block	Hanford	Community-at-Large
Mari Lynn Starrett	Lemoore	Affected Business or Industry
Alvaro Preciado	Avenal	Affected Business or Industry
Kelly Deming	Hanford	Environmental or Public Interest Group
Jim Verboon	Laton	Environmental or Public Interest Group

During the course of the LAC's proceedings, several members resigned due to personal circumstances and replacements were appointed by the Board of Supervisors. A complete list of all persons who served as members of the LAC and their dates of service is attached to this report as Appendix 1.

#### THE LOCAL ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE PROCESS

#### REGULAR AND SPECIAL MEETINGS

Pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 25199.7(d)(2)(D), the LAC adopted Resolution No. 05-01 on October 4, 2005, which established Rules and Procedures to guide the performance of the LAC's duties with respect to the Proposed Project. The Rules and Procedures established the second Thursday of each month, at 6:00 p.m., at the Kings County Government Center, Board of Supervisors Chamber, Administration Building, 1400 W. Lacey Boulevard, Hanford, California, as the date, time and place of the regular meetings of the LAC unless otherwise ordered by the

Committee. Pursuant to the Ralph M. Brown Act, California Government Code section 54950, et seq., the LAC retained the discretion to conduct special meetings as may be needed to carry out its responsibilities.

The LAC met on the followings dates at the times and locations indicated:

October 4, 2005	6:00 pm	Hanford	
October 19, 2005	1:30 pm	Hanford *	(Joint meeting with the Governor's Office of Planning & Research)
October 19, 2005	6:30 pm	Kettleman City *	Governor's Office of Planning & Research)
October 21, 2005	2:00 pm	Kettleman City	* (Guided tour of Kettleman Hills Facility – No minutes prepared)
April 10, 2008	6:00 pm	Hanford	
April 17, 2008	6:00 pm	Hanford *	
May 8, 2008	6:00 pm	Hanford	
May 22, 2008	6:00 pm	Hanford *	
May 29, 2008	6:00 pm	Kettleman City *	
July 10, 2008	6:00 pm	Hanford	
August 14, 2008	6:00 pm	Hanford	
September 11, 2008	6:00 pm	Hanford	
October 20, 2008	6:00 pm	Hanford *	
November 13, 2008	6:00 pm	Hanford	
December 11, 2008	6:00 pm	Hanford	
December 20, 2008	6:00 pm	Kettleman City *	
January 8, 2009	6:00 pm	Kettleman City	
January 29, 2009	6:00 pm	Kettleman City *	

February 5, 2009	6:00 pm	Kettleman City *
February 26, 2009	6:00 pm	Kettleman City *
March 5, 2009	6:00 pm	Kettleman City *
March 12, 2009	6:00 pm	Kettleman City
March 19, 2009	6:00 pm	Kettleman City *
April 9, 2009	6:00 pm	Hanford
April 16, 2009	6:00 pm	Hanford *

# (\* indicates special meeting)

The minutes of the regular and special meetings of the LAC are available for review in the offices of the Kings County Community Development Agency 1400 W. Lacey Boulevard, Hanford, CA during normal business hours and on-line at the Local Assessment Committee's website at <a href="http://www.countyofkings.com/planning/lac.html">http://www.countyofkings.com/planning/lac.html</a>.

#### OBJECTIONS TO THE COMPOSITION OF THE LOCAL ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE

Beginning at the special meeting of the LAC on April 17, 2008, representatives of organizations known as Green Action and El Pueblo Para El Aire y Agua Limpia (El Pueblo) objected to the composition of the LAC on the grounds that the LAC did not include a member of either organization and did not include any Latino members. Green Action and El Pueblo demanded the resignation of all members of the LAC and the reappointment of a new LAC composed of Spanish-speaking residents of Kettleman City. Green Action also stated it would advise local residents to boycott the LAC process unless their demands were met. Thereafter, representatives of Green Action and El Pueblo periodically attended the LAC meetings and restated their refusal to participate in the LAC process unless all of the LAC members resigned and the Board of Supervisors appointed a new LAC.

Although they complained of a lack of representation on the LAC, the members of Green Action and El Pueblo refused to apply for any of the vacancies on the LAC which arose during 2008. There was at least one vacant position on the LAC continuously from April 10, 2008, until December 20, 2008, when Mr. Alvaro Preciado of Avenal submitted an application for appointment to the LAC. During this time, the LAC and the County repeatedly informed the members of Green Action and El Pueblo of the vacancies and invited them to apply for the vacant positions. Nonetheless, no resident of Kettleman City and no member of Green Action or El Pueblo applied for any of the vacant positions on the LAC in 2008.

#### REQUEST FOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE GRANT

Pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 25199.7(g), the LAC determined that it required assistance in obtaining information from the community concerning the measures that should be taken by CWMI in connection with the operation of the Proposed Project to protect the health, safety, welfare and environment of the County and the special benefits and remuneration CWMI would provide the County as compensation for the local costs associated with the operation of the facility. Therefore, at its regularly scheduled meeting on July 10, 2008, the LAC requested a Technical Assistance Grant from the Board of Supervisors to allow for an independent consultant to assist the LAC in carrying out its duties and responsibilities. The LAC also appointed a subcommittee, consisting of LAC members Block, Deming and Starrett (Subcommittee), to facilitate the process of selecting a consultant for this purpose. On July 29, 2008, the Board of Supervisors approved a Technical Assistance Grant for the LAC.

The Subcommittee met on August 14, August 25, September 29, October 13 and October 20, 2008, to review and approve a request for proposals and amended request for proposals, to review the responses to the requests for proposals, and to interview the two consulting firms which submitted responses to the requests for proposals. At the special meeting of the LAC on October 20, 2008, the Subcommittee recommended that the LAC request the Board of Supervisors to enter into an Agreement for Professional Services with the consulting firm Boogaert & Noll. The Subcommittee's recommendation was moved and adopted by the LAC on October 20, 2008. On October 28, 2008, the Board of Supervisors entered into Agreement No. 08-126 with Boogaert & Noll for Professional Services to assist the LAC for CUP No. 05-10.

#### COMMUNITY ROUNDTABLE MEETINGS

The LAC, through its consultant Boogaert & Noll, conducted four Community Roundtable Meetings to identify and discuss major issues of concern to the community regarding the CWMI facility which could be addressed by the LAC in its dialogue with CWMI concerning the measures that should be taken by CWMI in connection with the operation of the Proposed Project to protect the health, safety, welfare and environment of the County and the special benefits and remuneration CWMI would provide the County as compensation for the local costs associated with the operation of the facility. The Community Roundtable Meetings were as follows:

- Water Quality on Saturday, December 6, 2008 at 11:00 a.m. at the Kettleman City Community Center.
- Air Quality on Tuesday, December 9, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. at the Kettleman City Community Center.
- *Traffic and Noise* on Saturday, December 13, 2008 at 11:00 a.m. at the Kettleman City Community Center.
- Quality of Life on Monday, December 15, 2008 at 6:00 pm at the Kettleman City Community Center.

The Community Roundtable Meetings elicited the following concerns from the community, many of which also were expressed at meetings of the LAC:

**Objections to the LAC Process:** Representatives of Green Action and El Pueblo Para El Aire y Agua Limpia appeared at several meetings and objected to the LAC process. Specifically, these groups demanded the following:

- 1. The resignation of all members of the LAC;
- 2. The appointment of a new LAC whose members were composed of Spanish-speaking residents of Kettleman City;
- 3. The translation of an extended summary of the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) into Spanish;
- 4. That all LAC meetings be held in Kettleman City or Avenal and effective notice to the residents of those communities be provided;
- 5. That plans to finish the LAC process by January, 2009, be dropped;
- 6. The hiring of consultants to assist the LAC who are not friends with CWMI; and
- 7. That the LAC comply with the Tanner Act.

Substantive Community Concerns: During the various meetings, the following topics were raised and discussed by community members and residents:

- The Quality of Kettleman City Water community members felt that it tasted and smelled bad (like chlorine) and they have seen notices about higher than normal levels of arsenic in their water.
- The Price of Kettleman City Water community members felt that the price of the water provided by the water district was quite high (at least \$67.50 per month). Because most people don't drink or cook with the water, residents noted that they also spend a considerable amount of money on bottled water.
- Communication about Kettleman City Water Quality and EIR community members felt that there was poor communication with the county and water district about the quality of their water. They don't understand the notices about contaminants and assume it is linked with Waste Management. They also do not understand the EIR and would like it presented to Kettleman City residents in a more approachable way.
- *Health Concerns* community members felt that there were higher rates of cancer and cleft palate in Kettleman City and felt that the water quality may be partly to blame.

- Community Needs many ideas came up about what could make the community a better place. With regards to communication issues community members felt that a neutral and local community advocate or ombudsman would be helpful. Some people mentioned an interest in subsidies for their water bills, and all agreed that they would like to see an improvement of their water quality.
- Air Quality in Kettleman City community members noted that they did not have air quality monitors in their community.
- Community Health Survey request for a health survey be administered in Kettleman City, and its results presented, to determine if there were any scientific links between cancer and cleft palate with Chemical Waste Management.
- Disaster Preparedness Kettleman City community members want to learn more about how Chemical Waste Management has prepared for disasters, like earthquakes, and how Chemical Waste Management would take care of the residents if something like that ever occurred.
- Asthma Kettleman City community members noted there is a high rate of asthma in children. Children often cannot go outside, which lowers their amount of physical activity and contributes to issues of obesity as well. Also, teachers are forced to learn how to administer inhalers and kids are missing school more frequently.
- Traffic and Air Pollution Kettleman City community members are concerned that the expansion of the Chemical Waste Management facility will increase the amount of trucks passing through Kettleman City which will in turn increase the air pollution.

#### DEVELOPMENT OF THE LOCAL ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE'S

#### LIST OF MEASURES AND BENEFITS

In order to address the community concerns expressed in the LAC meetings and the Community Roundtable Meetings, and in preparation for the dialogue with CWMI required under the Tanner Act, the LAC assembled a list of potential measures that could be taken by CWMI in connection with the operation of the Proposed Project to protect the health, safety, welfare and environment of the County and potential special benefits and remuneration CWMI could provide the County as compensation for the local costs associated with the operation of the facility (List of Measures and Benefits). The LAC's List of Measures and Benefits was a living document which grew and evolved during the course of the LAC's proceedings and contained items suggested by individuals, organizations and public agencies, as well as by the project proponent, CWMI, and the LAC and its staff and consultants. Copies of the List of Measures and Benefits, as revised from time to time during the LAC proceedings, are attached to this report as Appendix 2.

#### DIALOGUE BETWEEN THE LOCAL ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE AND CWMI.

By January 8, 2009, the LAC determined that the List of Measures and Benefits was sufficiently complete to warrant commencement of the dialogue with the project proponent required by the Tanner Act concerning the terms and conditions under which the project may be acceptable to the community. Therefore, at its special meeting on January 29, 2009, the LAC commenced a public dialogue with CWMI to reach an understanding with CWMI concerning the measures that should be taken by CWMI in connection with the operation of the Proposed Project to protect the health, safety, welfare and environment of the County and the special benefits and remuneration CWMI would provide the County as compensation for the local costs associated with the operation of the facility. All of the dialogue between the LAC and CWMI took place in public at regular and special meetings of the LAC. As the dialogue process unfolded, the List of Measures and Benefits was refined and proposals and counter-proposals were exchanged.

The dialogue between the LAC and CWMI took place in six meetings between January 29, 2009, and March 19, 2009. The items on the final List of Measures and Benefits were addressed as follows:

- 1. Provide funding to conduct community health survey in Kettleman City to address community concern regarding high incidence of birth defects such as cleft lip/palate.
  - The LAC and CWMI agreed that CWMI shall provide up to \$100,000 to fund a community health survey in Kettleman City. The survey will be conducted by a person or entity selected by the LAC through a request for proposals process. The contract for the health survey will be administered by the Department of Health or other appropriate department of the County.
- 2. Provide funding to construct new water treatment facility in Kettleman City (Needed: \$3.5 million).
  - The LAC and CWMI agreed that CWMI shall pay in full the existing water debt of the Kettleman City Community Services District (KCCSD), which is estimated to be approximately \$552,300.
- 3. Provide funding to hire independent consultant to use Waste Management air quality monitoring equipment to monitor air quality in Kettleman City on a monthly basis.
  - The LAC withdrew this item from the list (See the Minutes of the March 12, 2009, meeting of the LAC in Appendix 2).
- 4. Provide funding for health insurance enrollment for children (0-18) in the Child Health Initiative Program.
  - The LAC withdrew this item from the list (See the Minutes of the March 12, 2009, meeting of the LAC in Appendix 2).

- 5. Provide funding for construction of the SR-41 crossing eventually designed and approved pursuant to the Kettleman City Safety and Community Study Environmental Justice Grant (Kings County Association of Governments) and continue participation with Kings County and Caltrans on the Safe Crossing Project.
  - The LAC and CWMI agreed that (1) CWMI shall pay ten percent (10%), up to a maximum of \$150,000, toward construction of the Caltrans Safe Crossing Project for SR-41 in Kettleman City, and (2) CWMI shall provide funding in an amount up to \$70,000 for the purchase of two electronic speed signs to be installed on SR-41 in Kettleman City.
- 6. Establish and maintain information program for trucks entering and leaving the Kettleman Hills Facility to discourage waste hauling trucks from parking in residential areas of Kettleman City.
  - The LAC and CWMI agreed that CWMI shall provide the Kettleman City Library with a description and visual sign placards (in English and Spanish) for hazardous substance and hazardous waste transportation and shall conduct an informational meeting about the placards that hazardous waste hauling trucks are required to display.
- 7. Install improvements to Kettleman City elementary school recreation area and community park, including new recreation amenities (e.g., playground equipment, basketball courts, picnic tables, barbecues, etc.).
  - The LAC and CWMI agreed that CWMI shall provide funding in the amount of \$450,000 to the Reef Sunset School District for installation and/or construction of a walking track, soccer field lighting, pavilion, and parking lot on the grounds of the Kettleman City Elementary School.
- 8. Provide funding to install permanent bus shelter at corner of General Petroleum and Becky Pease Street in Kettleman City.
  - The LAC withdrew this item from the list (See the Minutes of the March 12, 2009, meeting of the LAC in Appendix 2).
- 9. Provide information about the Kettleman Hills Facility's disaster preparedness plan for earthquakes and other emergencies and natural disasters.
  - The LAC and CWMI agreed that CWMI shall present annually a disaster preparedness workshop with the public agencies responsible for emergency preparedness.
- 10. Provide solid waste management, including placement of trash receptacles in open space, park and downtown areas and removal of illegally dumped trash.
  - The LAC withdrew this item from the list (See the Minutes of the February 26, 2009 and the March 12, 2009 meetings of the LAC in Appendix 2).

11. Provide funding for an independent consultant to review air and water quality monitoring information prepared by CWMI in compliance with applicable permits, to prepare a lay-person's summary of the information, to translate the summary into Spanish and to distribute the summary to the residents of Kettleman City.

The LAC and CWMI agreed that (1) the independent consultants hired by CWMI to prepare air quality and water quality monitoring and compliance reports shall prepare an annual summary of the reports in layperson's terms, in Spanish and English, and shall deliver copies of the summary to all post office box-holders in Kettleman City, with a copy to the Kings County Community Development Agency, on or before the 31<sup>st</sup> day of January of each year of operation of the Proposed Project, and (2) CWMI shall conduct an annual meeting in Kettleman City to which the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District, the Kettleman City Community Services District and the public agencies responsible for emergency planning and response shall be invited, to provide information to local residents.

The dialogue process concluded at the LAC meeting on March 19, 2009, when the LAC determined that it had reached agreement with CWMI on the terms and conditions to be recommended to the Board of Supervisors.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

#### AGREEMENTS REACHED WITH CHEMICAL WASTE MANAGEMENT, INC.

Through the dialogue process, the LAC and CWMI reached agreement with respect to the terms and conditions under which the Proposed Project may be acceptable to the community. Therefore, pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 2519.7(d)(2)(E), the LAC hereby advises the Board of Supervisors that the following terms, provisions and conditions for project approval have been agreed upon by the LAC and CWMI and should be included as conditions of approval of the Proposed Project:

- 1. CWMI shall fund up to \$100,000 for a community health survey of Kettleman City residents to address community concerns regarding a high incidence of birth defects and cancer. The survey will be conducted by a person or entity selected by the Kings County Department of Health through a request for proposals. The Department of Health will consult with the Central Valley Health Policy Institute (CSU Fresno) for assistance in preparing the request for proposals. The contract for the health survey shall be administered by the Department of Health or other appropriate department of the County.
- 2. CWMI shall pay in full the existing debt owed as of March 19, 2009, by the Kettleman City Community Services District, estimated to be \$552,300.
- 3. CWMI (1) shall pay ten percent (10%), up to a maximum of \$150,000, toward construction of the Caltrans Safe Crossing Project for SR-41 in Kettleman City, and (2) shall provide

funding to acquire and install two electronic speed indication devices to be placed at opposite ends of the residential district on SR 41, which are estimated to cost \$70,000.

- 4. CWMI shall provide (in English and Spanish) the Kettleman City Library with U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) Hazardous Material (HAZMAT) Transportation placards along with written definitions as provided under Title 49 of the United States Code of Federal Motor Carriers Safety Regulations (FMCSR). Additionally, CWMI shall conduct an informational presentation regarding the placards during its annual contingency plan meeting (see Item No. 6 below).
- 5. CWMI shall provide funding in the amount of \$450,000 to the Reef Sunset School District for installation and/or construction of a walking track, soccer field lighting, pavilion, and parking lot on the grounds of the Kettleman City Elementary School. The School District shall place the funds in a separate, interest-bearing account to be used solely for installation and/or construction of the improvements identified above.
- 6. CWMI shall provide annual community education about its facility contingency plan, and shall assist the community in preparing a disaster plan for the residents, at an annual meeting in Kettleman City to which the public agencies responsible for emergency planning and response shall be invited to provide information to local residents.
- 7. CWMI shall ensure that (1) the independent consultants hired by CWMI to prepare air quality and water quality monitoring and compliance reports shall prepare an annual summary of the reports in layperson's terms, in Spanish and English, and shall deliver copies of the summary to all post office box-holders in Kettleman City, with a copy to the Kings County Community Development Agency, on or before the 1<sup>st</sup> day of May of each year of operation of the Proposed Project, and (2) CWMI shall conduct an annual meeting in Kettleman City to which the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District, the Kettleman City Community Services District and the public agencies responsible for emergency planning and response shall be invited, to provide information to local residents.

### OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

The LAC heard from many community residents about a variety of needs in Kettleman City. Many of the needs identified were deemed to be either not to be related to CWMI or to be within the purview of the Kettleman City Community Services District or other public agencies. In addition, the LAC recognized that fiscal or policy restraints and lack of jurisdiction may make it infeasible to address a number of the concerns. Nevertheless, the LAC believes it important to communicate to the Board of Supervisors the depth of concern expressed by numerous persons during the LAC proceedings concerning issues that materially affect the quality of life in Kettleman City. For this reason, the LAC wishes to make a record of the needs of the community and to urge the County to exert a greater effort to coordinate and fulfill the needs of the residents of Kettleman City.

Among the concerns which were expressed by local residents during the LAC proceedings and which are deserving of sustained attention and assistance of the County and other appropriate public agencies are the following:

- 1. Assist in providing a Health Care Facility in Kettleman City. The LAC assisted in putting Adventist Health and county officials together such that a health clinic should be open and operating in late spring 2009 in Kettleman City.
- 2. Implement a colored-flag system (American Lung Association) at the Kettleman City Elementary School to notify residents of poor air quality days.
- 3. Establish a Promotoras program to increase bilingual health care and outreach in Kettleman City.
- 4. Implement a classroom-based asthma education program at the Kettleman City Elementary School.
- 5. Deliver Consumer Confidence Reports to residents separate from water bills and in Spanish.
- 6. Conduct regular community meetings on water quality issues.
- 7. Establish by ordinance or other appropriate measure a ban on parking large commercial trucks in residential areas of Kettleman City.
- 8. Establish landscape and maintain a half-acre central plaza as a focal point and open space for community activities.
- 9. Provide solid waste management services, including placement of trash receptacles in open space, park and downtown areas and the periodic removal of illegally dumped trash.
- 10. Inform residents about the procedures and costs for installing infrastructure improvements such as sidewalks, curbs, gutters, street lighting, landscaping, etc.
- 11. Work with Kings Area Rural Transit to improve or provide public transportation to job and school opportunities.
- 12. Work with AITS Program and other van-pool and car-pool programs to increase transportation opportunities to jobs and schools.
- 13. Promote community safety by reducing law enforcement response time for emergency calls and establishing community crime prevention programs.
- 14. Increase animal control services.
- 15. Establish an office in Kettleman City or Avenal for the Board of Supervisors representative and/or hire a local resident to serve as a liaison between the Board of Supervisors and the community.
- 16. Provide after-school programs at Kettleman City Family Resource Center.

- 17. Provide increased public access to computers in Kettleman City library.
- 18. Identify additional sources of funding to construct a new water treatment facility.

# CONCLUSION

By motion duly made, seconded, and approved, this report was adopted as the final report of the Local Assessment Committee on April 16, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

Aletha Ware Vice-Chair