International Water Association Regional Committee of Hong Kong, China (IWAHK)

Minutes of the 5th Executive Committee Meeting

Venue: WSD Headquarters Conference Room, Room 4819, Immigration Tower

Date : 24 August 2007 (Friday)

Time : 5:45 p.m.

Present

Ir C C CHAN Director of Water Supplies (Chairman)

Ir C K WONG Director of Drainage Services (Vice Chairman)

Ir K L WONG Vice Chairman, Metcalf and Eddy Ltd.
Ir Otto L T POON Managing Director, Analogue Holdings Ltd.

Mr. Allard NOOY Director, Leighton Asia Ltd

Dr H Y YEUNG Principal Environmental Protection Officer,

Environmental Protection Department (EPD)

Ir K W CHAN Deputy Director of Water Supplies (Secretary)

Ir David C W CHAU Assistant Director of Water Supplies/Mechanical &

Electrical (*Treasurer*)

Absent with Apology

Ir Prof Howard J C HUANG Department of Civil Engineering,

The Hong Kong University of Science and

Technology

In Attendance

Ir T O LEE Senior Engineer/Headquarters,

Water Supplies Department (WSD) (Note Taker)

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(1) Welcoming remarks

The Chairman welcomed all members to the 5th Executive Committee (EC) Meeting of the International Water Association Regional Committee of Hong Kong, China (IWAHK). Special welcome was given to Dr H Y YEUNG, who replaced Ir P H LUI as the co-opted member representing EPD for the coming 2-year term.

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(2) <u>Matters arising from the 4th EC Meeting and the 3rd General Meeting</u>

The minutes of the 4th EC Meeting held on 5 October 2006 were confirmed and the minutes of the 3rd General Meeting were noted. The latest status of the 2007 World Water Monitoring Day cum 40th Anniversary of the Commissioning of Plover Cove Reservoir was reported as follows:

- The Secretary for Development, Mrs Carrie LAM had agreed to officiate at the ceremony to be held at Plover Cove Reservoir in the afternoon of 14 October 2007;
- The order for 300 testing kits was placed. Delivery of goods to Hong Kong would be by mid September 2007;
- The list of sponsorship had been finalized. A total amount of HK\$114,000.00 had been committed from 9 organizations for the World Water Monitoring Day in Hong Kong program, the photographic competition and the production of the commemorative photo album;
- The photographic competition "Life in Plover Cover" co-organized with the Photographic Society of Hong Kong (PSHK) was closed on 3 August 2007. A total of 353 entries were received and the winners would be selected by the judging panel after the meeting (results of the selection is attached in Appendix I and will be uploaded onto IWAHK's website shortly);
- A working committee meeting with the presence of representatives of both EPD and DSD was held on 1 August 2007. EPD and DSD would make use of the opportunity to display their publicity items regarding water-related subjects;
- Invitation letters to some 600 secondary schools would be sent by end August. If over-subscribed, 30 of the applicants would be selected by drawing lots. Members agreed that lower priority would be given to those applicants who had already participated in the past years;

Ir T O LEE

• The ceremony rundown (attached in Appendix II) would be basically similar to the one of the previous year. However, two items would be added to the programme for presentation of souvenirs to those parties involved in the commissioning of Plover Cove Reservoir including consultants, contractors and retired WSD staff and presentation of the winning prizes for the photographic competition. The quiz session would be suspended this year.

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(3) Forthcoming IWA and IWA-ASPIRE Events

During the meeting, the following forthcoming IWA, IWA-ASPIRE and CIWEMHK events were brought up for the attention of all members:

Event	Venue	Period
The 7 th Shenzhen-Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macau Water Supply Seminar	Shekou, China	3-4 Sep 2007
China (Guangzhou) International Water Congress and Exhibition 2007 www.ciwce.com/en/	Guangzhou, China	5-7 Sep 2007
14th International Symposium on Health-related Water Microbiology www.watermicro2007.jp/top.html	Tokyo, Japan	9-15 Sep 2007
2 nd IWA-ASPIRE Conference and Exhibition www.awa.asn.au/events/aspire	Perth, Australia	28 Oct – 1 Nov 2007
6 th IWA World Water Congress www.iwa-vienna2008.org	Vienna, Austria	8-12 Sep 2008

Regarding the 2nd IWA-ASPIRE Conference and Exhibition, Ir T O LEE informed members that Ir David C W CHAU would make an oral presentation on the paper entitled "How energy can be saved in a large flushing water supply system – Hong Kong experience" on behalf of WSD. Ir Bobby M T NG would also present a paper on the subject of Total Water Management on behalf of WSD during the CEO Forum to be held alongside the conference.

Ir T O LEE also reminded Members that the deadline for submission of abstracts for the 6th IWA World Water Congress would be on 15 September 2007.

The Chairman took the opportunity to brief Members that the IWA Executive Director, Mr Paul REITER would visit WSD and DSD in Hong Kong after attending the 7th Shenzhen-Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macau Water Supply Seminar in Shekou in early September. He added that since the launching of the IWA

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Singapore Office in June 2007, they would likely discuss the latest work plan of the regional office during the meeting in Hong Kong. IWA had an intention of running a Water Week programme for the Asian Countries in Singapore similar to the annual World Water Week programme in Stockholm and IWAHK would be invited to support the programme. The matter would be kept in view and member would be kept posted.

(4) <u>Co-opted Membership for the next 2-year Term</u>

The Chairman informed Members that according to Rule 10 of the IWAHK Constitution, the co-opted membership should be for 2 years and that the current one would expire by end August 2007. Apart from the new representative of EPD, the existing co-opted members had served the executive committee for 4 years. He invited the current co-opted members to consider to continue serving the committee for another 2-year term. Ir K L WONG and Ir Otto POON both expressed their intention to step down as well as their wishes that there would be new blood to serve the committee. Mr Allard NOOY indicated that he would be pleased to serve for another 2 years in order to maintain continuity of the executive committee's work.

After some discussions, the Chairman concluded that more time should be allowed for the co-opted members to think about the matter before making a final decision before expiry of the membership. He welcomed suggestions or nominations of new members after the meeting.

All Members

[**Post Meeting Note:** In addition to Dr H Y YEUNG of EPD, the following Co-opted Members have subsequently been appointed for the 2007-2009 term:

- (i) Ir Alan MAN, Regional Director, Black & Veatch Water;
- (ii) Ir C Y FONG, Director, ATAL Engineering;
- (iii) Prof Herbert FANG, University of Hong Kong; and
- (iv) Mr Allard NOOY, Director, Leighton Asia Ltd.]

(5) <u>Date of Next Meeting</u>

There being no other business, the meeting ended at 6:45 p.m. The date of the 6^{th} Executive Committee Meeting would be announced later.

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Ceremony for World Water Monitoring Day 2007

cum 40th Anniversary of the Commissioning of Plover Cove Reservoir

Sunday 14 October 2007 Ceremony Rundown

2:30 – 3:00 pm Reception

IWAHK Chairman and representatives to receive guests. WSD's representatives and Waterworks Chemists to receive schools and give a 10-minute briefing on water sampling and testing during the reception period.

3:00 – 3:05 pm Welcome Speech

Chairman, IWAHK (Director of Water Supplies)

3:05 – 3:10 pm Speech by Officiating Guest

Secretary for Development

3:10 – 3:15 pm Presentation of Souvenirs to Parties Involved in the Commissioning of Plover Cove Reservoir

Secretary for Development to present commemorative souvenirs to those involved in the commissioning of the Plover Cove Reservoir including retired staff, consultants and contractors etc.

3:15 – 3:20 pm Announcement of the Results of the Photographic Competition and Presentation of Awards

IWAHK Chairman to present awards to the winners of photographic competition

3:20 – 3:25 pm Presentation of Souvenirs to Guests and Sponsors

IWAHK Chairman to present souvenirs to Officiating Guest, representatives from government departments and sponsors.

Officiating Guest to present souvenirs to representatives of St John Ambulance, WSD Volunteer Team and the Photographic Society of Hong Kong (PSHK)

3:20 – 3:25 pm Group Photo Taking

3:25 – 3:30 pm Commencement of Tests

Officiating Guest, accompanied by IWAHK Chairman, will command the commencement of site sampling and testing officially by blowing a hand-held sports horn.

3:30 – 4:15 pm Sampling and Testing

Representatives from schools will carry out testing under the supervision of a Waterworks Chemist. Each school will perform tests for 5 water samples and report the results using a prescribed form.

4:15 – 4:30 pm Presentation of Souvenirs to Participating Schools

Presentation of souvenirs to participating schools (30 nos.) by IWAHK Chairman

4:30 pm End of Ceremony

2007 World Water Monitoring Day cum 40th Anniversary of the Commissioning of Plover Cove Reservoir

Photographic Competition – Selection of Winning Photographs

Date: 24 August 2007 (Friday)

Time: 18:45 hrs to 19:20 hrs

Venue: Conference Room 4819, Immigration Tower, 48/F

7 Gloucester Road, Wan Chai, Hong Kong

Judge Panel : (1) Ir C C CHAN, the IWAHK Chairman

(2) Ir Otto L T POON, the IWAHK co-opted member

(3) Mr Allard NOOY, the IWAHK co-opted member

(4) Dr Leo K K WONG, the PSHK President

(5) Mr C K CHU, the PSHK Vice President

Results :

Reg. No.	Name	Theme of Photograph	Prize
244	WONG Chi Keung (黄志強)	壩上夜色	Champion
315	WONG Lai Chun (黃麗珍)	永奠隆基	1 st Runner-up
192	CHAN Lai Kin (陳麗堅)	壩上黃昏	2 nd Runner-up
7	YU Marilyn (尤美蓮)	情約船灣湖畔	Merit
207	CHING Yiu Kwan (程耀坤)	主霸風光	Merit
36	YU Kit Ching, Stella (余潔貞)	迷人的風光	Merit
82	YIM Tsz On (嚴子安)	馬尾眺船灣	Merit
228	LEUNG Kit Fong (梁潔芳)	偷閒加油站	Merit
65	WONG Wai Kuen (黃偉權)	宜人景緻	Merit
330	WAN Chi Lung (溫志能)	魚眼鏡中的淡水湖	Merit
28	HO Sze Min (何仕棉)	湖光山色	Merit
237	WONG Kwong Lung (王廣龍)	船灣淡水湖之日落	Merit
202	MOK Hang Kin (莫亨健)	海洋中前行	Merit