MOTION M-12-395

CITY HALL: OCTOBER 18, 2012

BY: COUNCILMEMBERS HEDGE

WHEREAS, Section 158-432 (b) of the Code of the City of New Orleans provides that the Council may appoint a hearing officer to preside over utility regulatory proceedings in accordance with the City Charter and Chapter 158 of the City Code; and

WHEREAS, to assure that a hearing officer is available to conduct and preside over City Council regulatory proceedings, one or more qualified individuals must be selected pursuant to the City Charter and the Council's Rule 45; and

WHEREAS, at its meeting on October 11, 2012, the Council's Utility Committee voted to approve the issuance of an RFP of the competition selection process; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to assure the availability of one or more highly qualified individuals to preside over its regulatory proceedings, now therefore

BE IT MOVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS, that in accordance with paragraph 1 of Rule 45, the Council determines that highly qualified and experienced individuals are required to preside over Council regulatory proceedings and directs its staff to prepare and issue a Request for Qualifications to begin the competitive selection process established by Council Rule 45.

THE FOREGOING MOTION WAS READ IN FULL, THE ROLL WAS CALLED ON THE ADOPTION THEREOF AND RESULTED AS FOLLOWS:

YEAS:

Bajoie, Charbonnet, Clarkson, Gisleson Palmer, Guidry,

Head, Hedge-Morrell - 7

NAYS:

ABSENT: 0

AND THE MOTION WAS ADOPTED.