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Board of Directors Study Session & Special Meeting

**HOLLAND BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS
 625 HASTINGS AVENUE
 HOLLAND, MICHIGAN**

**August 19, 2009
 4:00 p.m.**

Call to order

1.	CONSENT AGENDA	Not applicable
2.	COMMUNICATIONS	<p>The Board welcomes input from the audience at this time.</p> <p>Please state your name and address before addressing the Board. Please limit your communication to 5 minutes</p>
3.	FINANCE	Financial Statement – Not Applicable
4.	EXECUTIVE	<p>Study Session – Praxair Research and Development Project</p> <p><i>Recommendation: Discuss the current project issues and goals.</i></p>
5.	EXECUTIVE	<p>Letter of Support Presentation by Loren H. Howard, General Manager</p> <p><i>Recommendation: Approve and forward a letter of support for the resubmission of the Praxair proposal in response to the Department of Energy Clean Coal Power Initiative Round 3 indicating the Holland Board of Public Works’ willingness to become the primary site for the research and development project.</i></p>

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AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

*Members of the audience may address the Board of Directors during public hearings and under “Communications from the Audience”.
 Audience participation includes stating name and address and limiting speaking time to five minutes.*

Codes:

CC - Item also needs City Council action

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Executive Staff
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**Department of Energy
Clean Coal Power Initiative Round 3
Letter of Support**

Introduction

U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Clean Coal Power Initiative (CCPI) Round 3 solicitation is accepting proposals in a second application period. Praxair will resubmit their proposal in this second application period with the Holland BPW being proposed as the primary site for the research and demonstration project.

Recommendation

Approve and forward a letter of support for the resubmission of the Praxair proposal in response to the Department of Energy Clean Coal Power Initiative Round 3 indicating the Holland BPW's willingness to become the primary site for the research and development project.

Discussion

In January, 2009, Praxair submitted a proposal to the DOE in response to the CCPI Round 3 Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) naming Jamestown, NY as the primary site for the research and development oxy-coal project. Praxair has developed the carbon capture and storage technology that was presented in the proposal.

In June of 2009, the DOE awarded two grants in response to the proposals submitted in response to the CCPI Round 3 FOA. The DOE provided Praxair with feedback on their proposal and offered suggestions on ways to strengthen the proposal. As a result of the feedback, Praxair has made modifications to their application and has revised its selection of a primary site from Jamestown, NY to Holland, MI. Praxair and the staff of the Holland BPW have worked to improve the proposal and address the weaknesses identified by the DOE

A letter of support affirming the willingness to be the primary site for the re-submittal of the proposal to the DOE CCPI Round 3 from the HBPW Board of Directors as well as Holland City Council will strengthen the grant application. The attached letter of support from the Board of Directors will be submitted by Praxair with the grant application that is due on August 24, 2009.

Attachment:

Board of Directors Letter of Support

Report prepared by Chris Van Dokkumburg
Submitted by Loren H. Howard, General Manager