#### Minutes Policy Legislative/ Administration Committee December 21, 2006

The meeting was called to order at 10 a.m. Present were:

#### **Committee Members**

Gladys Mack, Chair Catherine Hudgins, Vice Chair Charles Deegan Christopher Zimmerman Dana Kauffman Marcell Solomon Gordon Linton Michelle L. Pourciau

# Approval of the Agenda

The Agenda was approved.

## **Approval of the Minutes**

The Minutes from the October 12, 2006 meeting were approved as submitted.

## Action Items

## A. National Capital Region Mutual Aid Agreement

Board Chair Gladys Mack introduced the item to her colleagues and began by asking Acting Assistant General Manager Ray Feldmann to provide a brief overview of the Mutual Aid Agreement.

Mr. Feldmann then introduced and thanked WMATA staff who have worked on the Mutual Aid Agreement and labored to bring federal Homeland Security funding to Metro to support and enhance Metro's safety and security, including Matt Greenwald in the Office of Policy and Government Relations, Vince Jankowski in the Office of General Counsel, Metro Transit Police Chief Polly Hanson and Mark Miller from the Operations Control Center. Mr. Feldmann then asked Matt Greenwald to provide a brief overview of the Mutual Aid Agreement.

Mr. Greenwald stated that the Mutual Aid Agreement updates and clarifies liability issues among the regional jurisdictions' first responders during an emergency situation. Further, the agreement enhances the ability of regional jurisdictions to render aid to

Metro during an emergency situation, as Metro is more likely to receive aid than to render it during such an event.

Acting General Manager Jack Requa then stated that approval of the Mutual Aid Agreement represented strong, regional cooperation and encouraged the Board's approval.

Mrs. Mack concluded the discussion by stating that the Agreement was a good thing for the Authority.

The motion to approve the National Capital Region Mutual Aid Agreement was passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 a.m.