METROPOLITAN EXPOSITION-RECREATION COMMISSION

Resolution 99-51

Authorizes General Manager to prepare, file, and execute any documents necessary to preserve MERC's preferential rights as a upland riparian property owner.

The Metropolitan Exposition-Recreation Commission finds:

- 1. Whereas, MERC operates and manages the Portland Metropolitan Exposition Center, and
- 2. Whereas, MERC has certain preferential rights as an upland riparian property owner over submerged lands adjacent to the Expo Center, and
- 3. Whereas, MERC wishes to act to preserve its preferential rights as an upland riparian property owner, and
- 4. Whereas, an application to the Division of State Lands will need to be filed by December 21, 1999 in order to preserve MERC's preferential rights,

BE IT THERFORE RESOLVED that the Commission authorizes the General Manager to prepare, file, and execute any documents necessary to preserve MERC's preferential rights as a upland riparian property owner.

Passed by the Commission on December 15, 1999

Chair

Secretary-Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM: Daniel B. Cooper, General Counsel

By:

Kathleen Pool, Senior Assistant Counsel

MERC STAFF REPORT

Agenda Item: Authorizes General Manager to prepare, file, and execute any documents necessary to preserve MERC's preferential rights as a upland riparian property owner.

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Date: December 15, 1999

Presented by: Mark B. Williams

Background Analysis: Early in December 1999, the State of Oregon Division of State Lands notified us that White Marine Services applied to the division to lease property for which we are an upland riparian owner.

As such, we are entitled to a preferential right to have the first opportunity to apply for and take the lease.

As we have worked on use of this property in conjunction with the Expo in the past and desire to continue to have that option, we wish to exercise our right. To do so requires a written response by December 20 1999 to file with the Division of State Lands.

Fiscal Impact: None at this time.

Recommendation: Adoption of the resolution

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