

**CALIFORNIA POLLUTION CONTROL FINANCING AUTHORITY
BOND FINANCING PROGRAM
Meeting Date: April 18, 2017**

Request to Approve Initial Resolution Reflecting Official Intent to Issue Revenue Bonds or Notes

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Applicant:	Mottra Corporation and/or its Affiliates	Amount Requested:	\$6,125,000
Project Location:	Cities of Los Angeles and Cerritos (Los Angeles County)	Application No.:	907(SB)
		Initial Resolution No.:	17-06

Summary. Mottra Corporation and/or its Affiliates (the “Company” or the “Applicant” or “Mottra”) requests approval of an Initial Resolution for an amount not to exceed \$6,125,000 to finance the acquisition of equipment to support the Applicant’s waste collection and transfer activities.

Borrower. Mottra Corporation provides collection and disposal of solid waste to the Cities of Cerritos and Los Angeles located in California. The Company has numerous affiliated relationships, and together employ 366 employees. The Company was organized in August of 1992 for the purposes of solid waste collection and qualifies as a small business.

The principal stockholders of the Company are as follows:

Arthur Kazarian	50%
The Thomas K Blackman Trust, Jennifer D’Souza and Briana Knabe, Co-Trustees	<u>50%</u>
Total:	<u>100%</u>

Legal Questionnaire. Staff has reviewed the Company’s responses to the questions contained in the Legal Status portion of the Application. No information was disclosed in the Legal Status portion of the Application that raises questions concerning the financial viability or legal integrity of the Applicant.

Project Description. The Company has been awarded two contracts. First, Mottra was awarded a new waste zone under the City of Los Angeles’ collection franchising plan as part of the City’s move to privatize its waste collection needs. Second, Mottra has been awarded a contract extension with the City of Cerritos for street sweeping services. Additionally, the Company will use bond or note proceeds to finance the acquisition of equipment to support the Applicant’s waste collection and transfer activities. This equipment includes collection vehicles, carts, bins, containers, and a designated amount for project contingencies. Such equipment will be located at 7202 and 7230 Petterson Lane, Paramount, CA 90723, 14001 Garfield Ave, Paramount, CA 90723, and 1955 E Cesar Chavez Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90049.

Volume Cap Allocation. The Company anticipates applying to the Authority for volume cap allocation in the June of 2017.

Financing Details. The Company anticipates the issuance of a direct bank purchase of tax-exempt bonds or notes.

Financing Team.

Municipal Advisor to the Borrower: Westhoff, Cone & Holmstedt

Bond Counsel: Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe

Issuer's Counsel: Office of the Attorney General

Staff Recommendation. Staff recommends approval of Initial Resolution 17-06 for Garden City Sanitation, Inc. and/or its Affiliates for an amount not to exceed \$6,125,000.

Note: An Initial Resolution approval is not a commitment that the Board will approve a Final Resolution and bond or note financing of the proposed Project.

**RESOLUTION OF OFFICIAL INTENT TO ISSUE BONDS OR NOTES TO
FINANCE SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL FACILITIES FOR
MOTTRA CORPORATION, CALMET SERVICES, INC. AND/OR ITS AFFILIATES**

April 18, 2017

WHEREAS, the California Pollution Control Financing Authority ("Authority"), a public instrumentality, is authorized and empowered by the provisions of the California Pollution Control Financing Authority Act ("Act") to issue bonds or other debt obligations for the purpose of defraying the cost of facilities for the disposal of solid and liquid waste products, including resource recovery and energy conversion facilities; and

WHEREAS, Mottra Corporation, a California corporation, (the "Applicant"), and its affiliates including its wholly-owned subsidiary CalMet Services, Inc. (collectively, the "Company") has submitted an application (the "Application") requesting that the Authority assist in financing the acquisition and construction of facilities for collection, processing, recycling, transportation, and disposal of solid waste, as more fully described in the Application (collectively, the "Project") to be owned and operated by the Company, and have presented an estimate of the maximum cost of such Project as shown in Exhibit "A" attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the Authority desires to encourage the Company to provide solid waste disposal facilities and equipment which will serve the public of the State; and

WHEREAS, the Authority deems it necessary and advisable to further the purposes of the Act that the Project be acquired at the earliest practicable date, but the Company requires satisfactory assurances from the Authority that the proceeds of the sale of debt obligations of the Authority will be made available to finance such Project; and

WHEREAS, the Company expects to incur or pay from its own funds certain expenditures in connection with the Project prior to the issuance of indebtedness for the purpose of financing costs associated with the Project on a long-term basis; and

WHEREAS, subject to meeting all the conditions set forth in this resolution the Authority reasonably expects that debt obligations in an amount not expected to exceed \$6,125,000 will be issued and that certain of the proceeds of such debt obligations will be used to reimburse the Company for its prior expenditures for the Project; and

WHEREAS, Section 1.103-8(a)(5) and Section 1.150-2 of the Treasury Regulations require the Authority to declare its reasonable official intent to reimburse prior expenditures for the Project with proceeds of a subsequent borrowing;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the California Pollution Control Financing Authority as follows:

Section 1. The Authority finds and determines that the foregoing recitals are true and correct. For purposes of this Resolution, an “Affiliate” of the Applicant means any person or entity which controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, the Applicant, as shown by the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of its management or policies, whether through majority equity ownership, contract or otherwise. An Affiliate shall also be a "participating party" as defined in the Act.

Section 2. The Authority declares its official intent to issue, at one time or from time to time, an aggregate of up to \$6,125,000 principal amount of bonds or notes of the Authority for the Project; including for the purpose of reimbursing to the Company costs incurred for the Project prior to the issuance of the debt obligations.

Section 3. The bonds or notes will be payable solely from the revenues to be received by the Authority pursuant to a loan agreement or other agreements to be entered into between the Authority and the Company in connection with the Project. Each bond or note shall contain a statement to the following effect:

"Neither the faith and credit nor the taxing power of the State of California or any political subdivision thereof or local agency is pledged to the payment of the principal of, premium, if any, or any interest on this [bond][note]."

Section 4. The bonds or notes shall be issued subject to the conditions that (i) the Authority and the Company shall have first agreed to mutually acceptable terms for the debt obligations and of the sale and delivery thereof, and mutually acceptable terms and conditions of the loan of the proceeds thereof to the Company; (ii) all requisite governmental approvals shall have first been obtained; (iii) a Final Resolution shall have been received from the Authority; and (iv) an allocation shall have been received from the California Debt Limit Allocation Committee for any portion of the bonds or notes which are to be sold as exempt from federal income tax.

Section 5. The Executive Director of the Authority is hereby authorized to indicate the willingness of the Authority to proceed with and effect such financing in order to assist the Company by defraying the cost of the Project, subject to due compliance with all requirements of the law and the obtaining of all necessary consents and approvals and to meeting all other requirements of the Authority.

Section 6. It is intended that this Resolution shall constitute "some other similar official action" towards the issuance of bonds within the meaning of Section 1.103-8(a)(5) of the Treasury Regulations and "official intent" within the meaning of Section 1.150-2 of the Treasury Regulations, each as applicable under Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. It is also intended that this statement of “official action” or “official intent” by the Authority shall continue in full force and effect even if this Resolution ceases to be effective for other purposes.

Section 7. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage and remain in full force and effect thereafter; provided that this Resolution shall cease to be effective on April 18, 2020 unless the Authority specifically adopts a further resolution extending the effective date of this Initial Resolution. The Authority will consider such extension upon receiving a specific request for such action from the Company, accompanied by any additional information requested by the Authority to supplement the Company's application, and an explanation of the status of the Project.

EXHIBIT A

NUMBER: 17-06

LOCATION: 7202 and 7230 Petterson Lane, Paramount CA 90723
14001 Garfield Avenue, Paramount, CA 90723
1955 E. Cesar Chavez Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90049

TYPE: Solid Waste Collection and Disposal

AMOUNT: Up to \$6,125,000