METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS 777 North Capitol Street, NE Washington, D.C. 20002-4239

RESOLUTION A GRANT AGREEMENT FOR URBAN TIMBER (WASTE WOOD) RECOVERY MARSHALLING AND UTILIZATION YARD DEMONSTRATION PROJECT IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) plays an important role in promoting green infrastructure programs throughout the region; and

WHEREAS, urban forests and associated street trees are a valuable and substantial portion of the region's green infrastructure;

WHEREAS, COG has a continued interest in promoting and demonstrating new, environmentally friendlier and potentially profitable techniques for reducing the region's wood-related waste stream associated with the removal of urban trees; and

WHEREAS, COG is a recognized leader working in partnership with various governmental, and non-governmental organizations to promote green infrastructure programs and new green technologies, including the processing of otherwise discarded timber into various useful wood products, and to further disseminate knowledge of the value of these techniques to its members, businesses and citizens in the region; and

WHEREAS, a "waste wood" marshalling and utilization yard project is a vehicle to demonstrate the ability to handle biomass waste streams under both normal and abnormal conditions and address the growing interest in issues that affect our nation's intelligent use and recycling of its natural resources, as well as supporting new environmentally-based business opportunities close to home; and

WHEREAS, COG has an interest in assisting its members and their forestry and recycling programs promote new approaches leading to a reduction in both the quantity of materials which need to be land-filled and associated costs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THAT:

The Executive Director, or his designee, is authorized to enter into a grant agreement and execute a contract in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 for the purposes of developing an Urban Timber Recovery Marshalling and Utilization Yard Demonstration Project for the District government. No COG matching funds are required. The project duration is two years. No COG matching funds are required.

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Nicole Hange, Board Clerk