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### THE BOARD OF PILOT COMMISSIONERS OF THE PORTS OF HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS

February 26, 2013

<i>Minute No.</i>	<i>Event/Action</i>
	Chairman Longoria convened the meeting of the Board of Pilot Commissioners
(PB-2013-0226-01)	Approve the Minutes of the Board of Pilot Commissioners Meeting – January 22, 2013
(PB-2013-0226-02)	Chairman Longoria introduced Robert Thompson, Houston Pilots Presiding Officer, who addressed the Board of Pilot Commissioners
(PB-2013-0226-03)	Establish March 26, 2013 as the date for a Pilotage Rate Hearing
(PB-2013-0226-04)	Appointment of Sarah (Sallie Kay) Janes as a Pilot Board Application Review Committee (ARC) member
	Adjourn the meeting of the Board of Pilot Commissioners

**Board of Pilot Commissioners for Harris County Ports  
Public Meeting**

**Houston, Texas  
February 26, 2013**

A public meeting of the Board of Pilot Commissioners for Harris County Ports (the "Pilot Board") was convened on February 26, 2013 at 10:45 a.m., at the Port of Houston Authority Executive Offices, Fourth Floor Boardroom, at 111 East Loop North, Houston, Texas 77029. The following Commissioners and staff were present:

Janiece Longoria, Chairman  
Jimmy A. Burke, Commissioner  
Dean E. Corgey, Commissioner  
Jim Fonteno, Jr., Commissioner  
John D. Kennedy, Commissioner  
Kase L. Lawal, Commissioner  
Steve L. Phelps, Commissioner  
Leonard Waterworth, Secretary  
Erik Eriksson, General Counsel and Assistant Secretary

(PB-2013-0226-01) Chairman Longoria asked for a motion to approve the minutes of its January 22, 2013 meeting, brought by Commissioner Lawal, seconded by Commissioner Fonteno. Chairman Longoria, and Commissioners Burke, Corgey, Fonteno, Kennedy, Lawal and Phelps voted Aye. Nays none. The minutes of the January 22, 2013 meeting were approved.

(PB-2013-0226-02) Appearances

Chairman Longoria introduced Robert Thompson, Houston Pilots Presiding Officer, who addressed the Pilot Board.

Mr. Thompson provided a report on projects the Houston Pilots are currently undertaking, with reference to a slide presentation.

He presented two videos that highlighted the challenges of navigating large vessels in the lower and upper reaches of the Houston Ship Channel.

Mr. Thompson discussed a project to use weather stations to study fog patterns and infra-red cameras to assist pilots to see through fog, with the goal to move more ships in a more efficient manner. He also discussed progress on the pilots' man model, which will assist pilot's practice in navigating the Bayport Channel with large container vessels.

The Pilot Board then considered each Request for Pilot Board Action ("RPBA"), submitted by Mr. Waterworth, attached to these minutes as Exhibit "A."

(PB-2013-0226-03) RPBA D1 was presented, moved by Commissioner Fonteno, seconded by Commissioner Lawal. Chairman Longoria, and Commissioners Burke, Corgey, Fonteno, Kennedy, Lawal and Phelps voted Aye. Nays none. RPBA D1 PASSED.

(PB-2013-0226-04) RPBA D2 was presented, moved by Commissioner Burke, seconded by Commissioner Corgey. Chairman Longoria, and Commissioners Burke, Corgey, Fonteno, Kennedy, Lawal and Phelps voted Aye. Nays none. RPBA D2 PASSED.

Commissioner Burke thanked Mr. Harvey Petree for his service on the Pilot Board Application Review Committee for the past ten years.

At 11:00 a.m. Chairman Longoria adjourned the meeting of the Pilot Board.

The above is a correct copy of the Minutes of the February 26, 2013 meeting of the Pilot Board.



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Janiece Longoria, Chairman

ATTEST:



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Erik A. Eriksson, General Counsel and  
Assistant Secretary

## Request for Board of Pilot Commissioner Action

<b>Category:</b> General	<b>Agenda Date:</b> February 26, 2013	<b>Agenda Section:</b> D - 1
<b>From:</b> <b>Division:</b> Legal <b>Department:</b>	<b>Staff Contact:</b> Erik Eriksson	
<b>Summary Recommendation:</b> Establish March 26, 2013 as the date for a Pilotage Rate Hearing.		
<b>Background:</b> The Houston Pilots Licensing and Regulatory Act, Chapter 66 of the Texas Transportation Code (the "Act"), requires the Board of Pilot Commissioners for the Ports of Harris County ("Pilot Board") to establish pilotage rates for the ports of Harris County, as provided therein.  Section 66.062(c) of the Act requires the Pilot Board to set a hearing date on any application for a change in pilotage rates within two weeks of its receipt. Section 66.062(c) additionally requires that the hearing be held not earlier than the 20th day and not later than the 40th day after the date the Pilot Board sets the hearing date.  By letter dated February 18, 2013, the Houston Pilots submitted an application to the Pilot Board for a change in such pilotage rates.		
<b>Staff Evaluation/Justification:</b> Staff recommends that the Pilot Board set such hearing for the regularly scheduled Pilot Board meeting of March 26, 2013, which would be held on the 28th day after the date the Pilot Board set the hearing date at its meeting of February 26, 2013.		
<b>Full Recommendation:</b> The Board of Pilot Commissioners, at its February 26, 2013 meeting, establish March 26, 2013 as the date for a hearing on the Houston Pilot's February 18, 2013 application for a change in pilotage rates, and further authorize the Secretary of Board of Pilot Commissioners to do any and all things in his opinion reasonable or necessary to give effect to the foregoing.		

## Request for Pilot Board Action

<b>Category:</b> Pilot Matters	<b>Agenda Date:</b> February 26, 2013	<b>Agenda Section:</b> D - 2
<b>From:</b> <b>Division:</b> Legal <b>Branch:</b> Pilot Board Application Review Committee	<b>Staff Contact:</b> Erik Eriksson	
<b>Summary Recommendation:</b> Appointment of Sarah (Sallie Kay) Janes as Pilot Board Application Review Committee (ARC) member		
<b>Background:</b> Prior authorizing Pilot Board Action: Minute No. 2013-0122-02  Pursuant to the provisions of the Rules and Regulations Governing Pilots and Pilotage on the Houston Ship Channel between the Galveston Bar and the Turning Basin, adopted August 25, 1993 by Minute No. 1881, amended by Minute No. 2007-1030-66, and by Minute No. 2010-0323-23 (Rules), an Application Review Committee (ARC) is appointed annually by the Chairman of the Pilot Board, with the appointees subject to approval by the Pilot Board. The Rules provide that the ARC shall be composed of voting members from the Houston Pilots Association, the Port of Houston maritime industry, the Harris County community at large, and the Port Authority, and chaired by a Port Authority voting member.		
<b>Staff Evaluation/Justification:</b> ARC member Harvey Petree has submitted his resignation from the ARC, and now staff recommends that Sarah (Sallie Kay) Janes succeed Harvey Petree as member at large. Dr. Janes is the Vice President of Continuing and Professional Development at San Jacinto College  Accordingly, staff requests that the Pilot Board approve the appointment of Dr. Janes as ARC member, to serve for the remainder of the calendar year 2013, and thereafter until a replacement is named.		
<b>Full Recommendation:</b> The Board of Pilot Commissioners, at its February 26, 2013 meeting, approve the appointment of Sarah (Sallie Kay) Janes to the Pilot Board Application Review Committee for the calendar year 2013 and thereafter until a replacement is named, and further authorize the Secretary of the Pilot Board to do any and all things in his opinion reasonable or necessary to give effect to the foregoing.		