

BY-LAWS OF
THE PORT AUTHORITY OF NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY

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I. SEAL

The official seal of The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey (hereinafter referred to as the “Port Authority”) shall be a design bearing a combination of the seals of the State of New York and of the State of New Jersey, and bearing the words “THE PORT AUTHORITY OF NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY — ESTABLISHED BY COMPACT BETWEEN NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY — APRIL THIRTIETH — 1921.”

II. OFFICERS

The officers of the Port Authority shall be a Chairman, a Vice-Chairman, an Executive Director, a Deputy Executive Director, a General Counsel, a Chief Financial Officer, a Treasurer, a Comptroller, and a Secretary.

III. DUTIES

A. Board of Commissioners — The Board of Commissioners shall establish the policies of the Port Authority and shall be responsible for reviewing and monitoring whether Port Authority procedures and regulations and executive staff’s financial, management, and operational decisions and controls are in compliance with such overall policies. The Board of Commissioners shall receive from the Executive Director reports on a regular basis, and shall cause the Executive Director to provide such reports, in order for the Commissioners to perform their oversight duties described herein. The Board of Commissioners shall also be responsible for adopting strategic plans, capital plans, and budgets of the Port Authority. In serving as a Commissioner of the Port Authority, each Commissioner shall act in a fiduciary capacity with a duty of loyalty and care owed to the Port Authority.

B. Chairman — The Chairman shall preside at all meetings of the Board of Commissioners; communicate to the Executive Director and, where appropriate, executive staff, the policies of the Port Authority established by the Board of Commissioners; and be responsible for advancing the mission and promoting the objectives of the Port Authority to members of the general public.

C. Vice-Chairman — The Vice-Chairman shall perform the duties of the Chairman in the event the office of Chairman is vacant, or in the event that the Chairman is unable to perform such duties by reason of illness, disability, or absence.

D. Executive Director — The Executive Director shall manage the operations of the Port Authority in compliance with the agency’s policies as established by the Board of Commissioners. The Executive Director shall prepare proposals for presentation to the Board of Commissioners which carry out approved policies or which propose policies for adoption and implement such proposals after presentation to and approval by the Board of Commissioners. In furtherance of these duties, the Executive Director shall hold executive staff responsible and accountable for making financial, management, and operational decisions in compliance with the policies established by the Board of Commissioners, and shall consult with the Board of Commissioners, as necessary, to enable the Commissioners to perform their oversight duties described above. The Executive Director shall sign all deeds of conveyance when authorized by resolution of the Board of Commissioners.

E. Secretary — The Secretary shall prepare the minutes of the meetings of the Board of Commissioners; keep the official records and the seal of the Port Authority; certify, when required to, copies of records; be responsible for administering the Freedom of Information Code providing for access by the public to records of the Port Authority; and perform such other duties as may be assigned by the Chairman.

F. General Counsel — General Counsel shall be legal counsel to the Port Authority and shall also furnish such legal opinions, advice, counsel, and representation as shall, from time to time, be required by the Board of Commissioners. In the performance of these duties, General Counsel is authorized to use Port Authority staff and, with the approval of the Executive Director, to retain outside counsel in accordance with policies established by the Board of Commissioners and guidelines adopted by General Counsel from time to time.

G. Chief Financial Officer — The Chief Financial Officer shall, under the supervision of the Executive Director, act as chief financial officer of the Port Authority and supervise the activities of the Treasurer and the Comptroller.

H. Comptroller — The Comptroller shall, under the supervision of the Chief Financial Officer, be in charge of the books of account of the Port Authority and be responsible for all payments to and expenditures by the Port Authority.

I. Treasurer — The Treasurer shall, under the supervision of the Chief Financial Officer, have custody of all funds and be responsible for investments of the Port Authority.

J. Inspector General — The Inspector General, under the general direction of the Chairman and the Executive Director, shall be charged with the responsibility for receiving and investigating, where appropriate, all complaints regarding wrongdoing, fraud, waste, and abuse by Commissioners, officers, and employees of the Port Authority, or third-party individuals or organizations doing business with the Port Authority; and consulting with the Board of Commissioners, the Audit Committee, the Executive Director, and General Counsel, as appropriate; provided, however, that the Inspector

General shall continue to be independent and free from interference in the conduct of the Inspector General's responsibilities. The Inspector General shall provide reports to the Board of Commissioners and, as appropriate under the circumstances, its Committees, with respect to the foregoing.

K. Director of the Audit Department — The Director of the Audit Department shall, under the general direction of the Inspector General, be responsible for the internal auditing functions in the Port Authority and for external auditing of financial and operating records of firms doing business with the Port Authority.

With respect to the Director of the Audit Department and Inspector General, the (i) appointment of any person to the position of Director of the Audit Department or Inspector General shall not be made or terminated; (ii) salary or benefits of the Director of the Audit Department and the Inspector General shall not be increased or reduced; and (iii) responsibilities of the Director of the Audit Department and the Inspector General shall not be changed in any way, without the approval of the Chairman of the Audit Committee (or of the Board of Commissioners); provided, that any increase or reduction in salary or benefits that may be made with respect to Port Authority department heads generally and would be effective as to the Director of the Audit Department and the Inspector General in the absence of the foregoing requirement of approval shall not require such approval in order to be effective as to the Director of the Audit Department and the Inspector General.

IV. TERM OF OFFICE

All officers of the Port Authority shall hold office until the next annual meeting of the Port Authority, or until their successors are elected or appointed, whichever may be the later.

V. MEETINGS; OPEN MEETINGS POLICY; FREEDOM OF INFORMATION CODE

A. An annual meeting of the Board of Commissioners shall be held each year for the purpose of election of officers. Special meetings of the Board of Commissioners may be called by the Chairman of the Port Authority and shall be called by the Chairman of the Port Authority on request of any two Commissioners, one from each State. The time and place for all annual, regular, and special meetings shall be determined by the Chairman of the Port Authority.

B. The Secretary shall give notice to the Commissioners of annual, regular, and special meetings, specifying the time and place of the meeting, by mail, facsimile, telephone, or in person, at least two days before the meeting. The notice of a special meeting shall specify the subject(s) to be considered thereat. Any Commissioner may waive the requirement for such notice.

C. The provisions of these By-Laws may be suspended by unanimous consent of a quorum of the Board of Commissioners.

D. Quorum – Six Commissioners, three from each State, shall constitute a quorum for all meetings of the Board of Commissioners. In the absence of a quorum at any meeting of the Board of Commissioners, or, if as a result of prospective recusals there would not be a sufficient number of Commissioners present at such meeting to consider any item on the agenda for such meeting, the Committee on Operations is authorized to act for and on behalf of the Board of Commissioners at a special meeting of the Committee on Operations called by the Chairman.

E. Votes – After due debate, the vote shall be recorded upon all resolutions or amendments thereto presented at any meeting of the Board of Commissioners. If three votes from each State shall not be cast therefor (or in case six Commissioners from either State are present, if four votes from such State shall not be cast therefor), the resolution or amendment shall be deemed lost. But a motion to adjourn, to lay on the table, to postpone consideration, or to refer a matter may be carried by a vote of a simple majority of Commissioners present.

F. Order of Business – The order of business at annual, regular, and special meetings of the Board of Commissioners shall be determined by the Chairman of the Port Authority; provided, however, that upon request of any two Commissioners, one from each State, received no less than two days prior to the meeting, a matter shall be placed on the calendar for any meeting as special business.

G. Open Meetings Policy

The Port Authority has an obligation to conduct its business and activities in the public interest and to solicit public participation and make its affairs known to members of the general public. In accordance with this obligation, the Port Authority shall follow an Open Meetings Policy, which shall require that: meetings of the Board of Commissioners and its Committees shall be open to the public consistent with the open meetings laws of the two States; sufficient advance notice shall be provided to members of the general public and representatives of the press of all meetings to be held in open public or closed executive session and, if in closed executive session, the reason(s) therefor; where meetings are held in open public session, anticipated agendas for such meetings shall be provided to members of the general public and representatives of the press sufficiently in advance of such meetings; representatives of all groups and constituencies who may wish to attend meetings held in open public session shall be accommodated; where meetings are held in open public session, members of the public shall have the opportunity to comment to the Board of Commissioners prior to action on those items; materials reflecting actions taken in open public and closed executive session, including minutes of meetings of the Board of Commissioners, shall be released to members of the general public. Meetings of the Board of Commissioners and its Committees (other than meetings held in closed, executive session) are to be publicly broadcast, to the extent technologically feasible.

The term “meeting” as used herein shall refer to any gathering, whether corporeal or by means of communications equipment, which is attended by, or open to, members of the Board of Commissioners, held with the intent, on the part of the Commissioners present, to discuss or act as a unit upon the specific public business of the Port Authority; provided, that the term “meeting” does not mean a gathering (1) attended by less than a quorum, or (2) attended by or open to all the members of three or more similar public bodies at a convention or similar gathering. The term “public business” shall refer to matters that relate in any way, directly or indirectly, to the performance of the functions of the Port Authority or the conduct of its business.

H. Open Meetings Policy – Limited Exceptions

1. In certain limited circumstances, public consideration by the Board of Commissioners (or a Committee thereof) of matters relating to the business and affairs of the Port Authority would clearly endanger the public interest or constitute an unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of individuals (including Port Authority employees). Accordingly, in such limited circumstances, the Board of Commissioners or Committee may determine to take action on or discuss only such subjects in closed, executive session. Consistent with the open meetings laws of the two States, the following matters may be considered in closed, executive session: (i) public safety or law enforcement; (ii) proposed, pending, or current litigation, judicial or administrative proceedings, and external or internal investigations or audits; (iii) ongoing bargaining or negotiations, reviews of contracts or proposals related to the purchase, sale, or lease of real property or securities where disclosure could affect the public interest; (iv) the necessary consideration of facts that, if made public, would constitute an unwarranted invasion of an individual’s personal privacy; (v) the necessary consideration of facts that are deemed confidential, privileged, or private pursuant to federal or state law, regulations, rules, or decisions of court; or (vi) information that, if made public, could impair the Port Authority’s right to receive funds from the United States or other grantor.

2. From time to time, the Chairman of the Port Authority may, in the best interests of the Port Authority, permit discussion in public, open session of and action on any matter otherwise exempted under the Open Meetings Policy.

3. In exigent circumstances when required for action, the Chairman of the Port Authority may request that one or more absent Commissioners participate and attend any meeting of the Port Authority through the use of communications equipment.

I. Freedom of Information Code

The Port Authority conducts its business and activities in the public interest and therefore the public should have access to records of the Port Authority. The Port Authority shall follow a Freedom of Information Code consistent with the freedom of information laws of the two States.

The Port Authority shall, to the extent technologically feasible, provide access to the minutes of meetings of the Board of Commissioners and the Committees and to reports provided for in accordance with these By-Laws, by posting such documents on its Internet site, or any successor electronic media designated by the Executive Director for such purposes.

VI. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Public hearings shall be held on matters requiring public consideration or public comment and information and may be held upon the request of (i) the Chairman of the Port Authority or (ii) any two Commissioners, one from each State.

B. Pursuant to direction by the Board of Commissioners, the Executive Director shall have authority to arrange for public hearings, in connection with the budgeting, planning, and programming of the Port Authority, including proposals for instituting or changing tolls and fares imposed for use of the Port Authority's vehicular tunnels and bridges and passenger rail facilities. In connection therewith, the Executive Director shall

(1) determine the dates, times, and locations in each of the two States for the conduct of such hearings, which shall be designed to encourage the broadest possible attendance and participation, and which, in the case of each hearing pertaining to proposals for instituting or changing tolls and fares imposed for use of the Port Authority's vehicular tunnels and bridges and passenger rail facilities, shall include the attendance of at least two Commissioners, one from each State;

(2) provide for appropriate notice to be given not less than ten days in advance of such hearings, with notice to be published within the Port District in one or more newspapers of general circulation in each State, on the Port Authority Internet site or any successor electronic media designated by the Executive Director, and through other available electronic media used by the Port Authority, and which, in the case of each hearing pertaining to proposals for instituting or changing tolls and fares imposed for use of the Port Authority's vehicular tunnels and bridges and passenger rail facilities, shall include the charge or charges proposed to be instituted or changed, shall set forth a comparison of the existing charges with the proposed charges, and shall state the purpose or purposes for which such tolls, fares or other charges are to be instituted or changed and an estimate of the overall increase or decrease in revenues to the Port Authority resulting from such proposed charges;

(3) designate hearing officers (if any) in connection therewith;

(4) arrange for transcripts and reports of the hearings, which shall be made available to all Commissioners prior to the consideration of any proposal; and

(5) take such other action as will effectuate the Port Authority's policy, as established by the Board of Commissioners, for the conduct of public hearings.

VII. NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee shall consist of all of the Commissioners of the Port Authority except the Chairman of the Port Authority and the Vice-Chairman of the Port Authority.

The Nominating Committee shall meet at least once during the 30 days immediately preceding the annual meeting of the Port Authority to consider a slate of officers for nomination and shall present such slate to the Board of Commissioners. If the office of Chairman of the Port Authority or Vice-Chairman of the Port Authority shall become vacant for any reason other than expiration of term, the Nominating Committee shall meet as soon as practical thereafter. The Nominating Committee may also meet to consider vacancies in any other office or offices.

Meetings of the Nominating Committee shall be held pursuant to notice given by the Secretary at the request of any member of the Committee.

At each meeting of the Nominating Committee, the members thereof shall elect a Chairman of the Committee whose duties shall be to preside at such meeting, and to submit or cause to be submitted to the Board of Commissioners any reports or recommendations adopted at such meeting.

VIII. COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD

The Committees on Capital Planning, Execution and Asset Management; Finance; Operations; Security; Audit; and Governance and Ethics, are established under this Article VIII to provide for the effective and efficient governance of the Port Authority, and to make recommendations to, and act on behalf of, the Board of Commissioners to the extent set forth in these By-Laws and the formal written charter of such Committee.

Each Committee shall, with the approval of the Board of Commissioners, adopt a formal written charter clearly defining the roles and responsibilities of such Committee. Committee charters shall be posted on the Port Authority's Internet site, or any successor electronic media designated by the Executive Director for such purpose. Each Committee shall follow the provisions of its charter in connection with the satisfaction of its responsibilities under these By-Laws, and shall review and reassess such charter from

time to time, with any amendments to such charter resulting from such review and reassessment to be made with the approval of the Board of Commissioners.

A Chairman, a Vice-Chairman, and members of all Committees shall be appointed by the Chairman of the Port Authority, who shall be an *ex officio* member of each Committee of which the Chairman of the Port Authority is not a regular member, except the Audit Committee. If one or more regular members are absent from any Committee meeting, the Chairman of the Port Authority shall be counted towards a quorum and entitled to vote on Committee business. The Chairman of the Port Authority shall also be entitled to vote to decide a tie vote.

The Vice-Chairman of the Port Authority shall likewise be an *ex officio* member of each Committee of which the Vice-Chairman of the Port Authority is not a regular member, except the Audit Committee. The Vice-Chairman of the Port Authority shall be counted towards a quorum and entitled to vote on Committee business under the same circumstances as the Chairman of the Port Authority, but only in the absence of the Chairman of the Port Authority.

A quorum for the conduct of business at any meeting of any Committee shall consist of a number equal to the majority of the regular members, provided that at least one Commissioner from each State shall be present. If there is no quorum at any regular, special, or adjourned meeting of any Committee, then the Commissioner presiding at such Committee meeting may, in order to achieve a quorum, designate any Commissioner present who is not already a member of such Committee as a substitute member *pro tem* to act at such meeting in the place and stead of an absent Committee member. Any Committee member *pro tem* shall be treated as a regular member for purposes of (i) determining whether a quorum is present; (ii) voting; and (iii) determining whether an *ex officio* member may vote. Action shall be taken by a majority vote of the Committee members present; provided that no action of a Committee shall be binding unless at least one Commissioner from each State shall vote in favor thereof.

In order to assure the right of approval or veto by the Governor of each State, any action by a Committee taken pursuant to the powers vested under these By-Laws or its formal written charter shall be considered part of the minutes of the Board of Commissioners.

Whenever a Committee purports to act pursuant to powers vested under these By-Laws or its formal written charter then all third persons are entitled to rely on the Committee's representation that it has power to act.

The Committees shall meet as determined in each Committee's charter, or at the request of the Chairman of the Port Authority, in connection with the conduct of Port Authority business. Each Committee shall provide written communications, reports, and recommendations to the Board of Commissioners from time to time, or at the request of the Chairman of the Port Authority, on the results of its oversight and other activities,

including any recommendations which in its opinion may be desirable regarding policies and procedures to govern the Port Authority.

Each Committee shall consist of five regular members (including a Chairman and Vice-Chairman), in addition to *ex officio* members, except the Audit Committee, which shall have no *ex officio* members and shall consist of four regular members (including a Chairman and Vice-Chairman), two from each State, and at least one of whom shall have a high level of financial expertise as determined in accordance with Article VIII of these By-Laws. When two or more Committees have powers relating to the same subject matter, none shall be deemed to have exclusive authority, but such Committees shall confer and cooperate in regard thereto. Executive management and support staff shall be assigned to each Committee as a continuing resource for such Committee to carry out its oversight responsibilities.

The members of the Audit Committee which, for independence purposes, shall not include the Chairman or Vice-Chairman, shall include at least one member, who in the determination of the Governance and Ethics Committee possesses a high level of financial expertise, which may be demonstrated, among other factors, by a general understanding of (i) generally accepted accounting principles and financial statements; (ii) the preparation or auditing of financial statements of entities comparable to the Port Authority; (iii) the application of such principles in connection with the accounting for estimates, accruals, and reserves; (iv) internal accounting controls; and (v) audit committee functions.

IX. RULES AND REGULATIONS

In compliance with policies established by the Board of Commissioners, the Executive Director shall establish rules and regulations as required for the conduct of the Port Authority's business, consistent with policies established by the Board of Commissioners.

The Executive Director shall cause such rules and regulations to be filed with the Board of Commissioners at least 30 days prior to the effective date of such rules and regulations. Absent objections by the Board of Commissioners such rules and regulations shall become effective upon the expiration of such 30-day period. If such objections are made, the Board of Commissioners shall, after due consideration, decide upon adoption, amendment or rejection of the proposed rules and regulations.

It is the policy of the Port Authority that the process for adoption of such rules and regulations shall be an open process with the opportunity for the general public to comment on such rules and regulations prior to adoption, and for such purposes such proposed rules and regulations shall be made publicly available at the time they are filed with the Board of Commissioners.

X. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR POWERS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The Executive Director shall have the following powers, unless otherwise provided by any resolution of the Board of Commissioners or a Committee thereof, subject to the limitations, if any, of the Budget adopted by the Board of Commissioners. These powers shall be in addition to any other powers conferred by any other provisions of these By-Laws, or by any resolution heretofore or hereafter adopted by the Board of Commissioners or a Committee thereof.

(a) Unless otherwise directed by the Committee on Operations or otherwise provided by any resolution of the Board of Commissioners and subject to the limitations, if any, of the Budget adopted by the Board of Commissioners, the Executive Director is authorized:

(i) To determine and prescribe the duties of new and existing positions and the qualifications for appointments made thereto;

(ii) Subject to the approval of the Chairman of the Committee on Operations, to make permanent appointments to the Port Authority staff;

(iii) To make promotions and demotions within the staff;

(iv) To terminate appointments to the staff subject to the approval of the Chairman of the Committee on Operations whenever approval of the Committee on Operations is not otherwise specifically required;

(v) To create temporary positions and to make temporary appointments thereto for periods not exceeding three (3) months' duration; and

(vi) To grant or authorize the granting of vacation, sick leave, other leave of absence and to establish or modify other employee benefits (other than retirement matters) and to take other action affecting personnel.

(b) The Executive Director is authorized:

(i) to authorize or arrange for the printing and engraving of bonds, notes or other securities or obligations, the issuance whereof has been authorized by the Board of Commissioners;

(ii) to authorize and arrange for the payment of the interest upon and principal of such bonds, notes, or other securities or obligations, in accordance with the resolutions authorizing their issuance, out of any revenues directly pledged therefor, out of any sinking funds or special reserve funds especially established in connection therewith and, in case there are no other moneys available for the payment of such interest and principal, out of the General Reserve Fund if such fund has been pledged as security for such payments;

(iii) to authorize or arrange for the making of payments into such reserve funds during the year for which such payments are to be made out of revenues directly pledged for such purposes, and to authorize or arrange for the making of payments into such sinking funds during the year for which such payments are to be made out of revenues directly pledged for such purposes, out of any special reserve funds especially established in connection with the particular issue of such bonds, notes, securities or other obligations for which such payments are to be made, out of any other special reserve funds available for such purposes, out of any other Port Authority funds available for such purposes, and, in case all the preceding available sources are insufficient to make such payment, then out of the General Reserve Fund; and

(iv) whenever the resolutions of the Board of Commissioners establishing the issue of bonds and the various resolutions of the Board of Commissioners establishing the separate series of such bonds require the redemption of bonds for retirement for sinking fund purposes, to (a) arrange for or authorize the call of such bonds for redemption, within the limitations of said bond resolutions to select or arrange for the selection of the particular bonds to be redeemed, (b) publish or arrange for the publication of notice of redemption, (c) pay or arrange for the payment of such bonds upon the date set for their redemption, and (d) generally do all things necessary or incidental to the redemption and retirement of such bonds.

(c) The Executive Director is authorized to authorize, approve, or award agreements, contracts, or purchase orders for

(i) professional, technical, or advisory services, including but not limited to the services of consultants, engineers, architects, designers, artists, technicians, inspectors, appraisers, and experts of any kind;

(ii) maintenance, repair, rehabilitation, or other operating expenses;

(iii) capital improvements and additions (including major repairs or rehabilitation);

(iv) construction;

(v) materials, equipment or supplies (including the leasing of equipment);

(vi) utility or other services;

(vii) insurance or brokerage services; and

(viii) settlement of claims (not covered under paragraphs (e) or (o) of this Article X)

upon such terms as the Executive Director may deem proper and to enter into or execute the same on behalf of the Port Authority where the amount of any such agreement, contract, or purchase order (inclusive of any renewal or extension) is not in excess of \$2,500,000; provided, however, that the Executive Director may not take such action where the amount of any such agreement, contract, or purchase order (inclusive of any renewal or extension) under subparagraphs (c)(i) through (c)(vii), above, is in excess of

- (a) \$1,500,000 but not in excess of \$2,500,000, unless the agreement, contract, or purchase order is awarded to the lowest qualified bidder after public advertisement, or through cooperative governmental purchasing arrangements; or
- (b) \$500,000 but not in excess of \$1,500,000, unless the agreement, contract, or purchase order is awarded to the lowest qualified bidder, or the proposer best qualified by reason of cost, responsibility, and capacity to perform the work and whose bid price or proposal is deemed reasonable, after the receipt of competitive bids or proposals; and,

provided, further, in connection with authorizations under subparagraph (c)(viii), above, the Executive Director may settle such claims if the total settlement is not in excess of \$500,000. In addition, the Executive Director may take such actions under this paragraph (c) with respect to an extension, amendment, or modification of any existing agreement, contract, or purchase order either

- (a) on terms and conditions at least as favorable to the Port Authority and under which the Port Authority will incur no additional expenditures or obligations; or
- (b) where the amount of the extension, amendment, or modification is not in excess of 25 percent of the base amount of the original agreement, contract, or purchase order, provided however that such excess amount is not greater than \$2,500,000.

(d) In the exercise of authority under this paragraph (d), the Executive Director may take the following actions only upon providing prior notice to the Board of Commissioners. The Executive Director, pursuant to authority granted to the Executive Director in conjunction with the adoption of the Budget or other resolutions of the Board of Commissioners, may, as the Executive Director deems in the best interest of the Port Authority, in connection with agreements, contracts or purchase orders:

- (i) (a) award to the bidder or proposer who, in the opinion of the Executive Director, is best qualified by reason of cost, responsibility, experience, and capacity to perform the work and whose bid price or proposal the Executive Director deems reasonable, (b) reject all bids or proposals, (c) solicit new bids or proposals on revised or the same requirements, (d) negotiate with one or more

bidders, proposers, or other contractors; or (e) exercise any rights and the performance of any obligations vested in or assumed by the Port Authority under such agreement, contract, or purchase order;

(ii) execute agreements, contracts, or purchase orders and supplemental agreements, contracts or purchase orders with such bidders, proposers, or contractors;

(iii) order extra work and net cost work; and

(iv) authorize payments to contractors or vendors.

(e) The Executive Director may, in connection with any agreement, contract, or purchase order,

(i) require a bond securing the performance thereof and/or the payment of subcontractors, materialmen, workers, and other third persons;

(ii) settle claims arising under or in connection with such agreements (including leases, permits, and licenses, for the use or occupancy of property), contracts, or purchase orders; provided, that the Executive Director may settle such claims if the total settlement is not in excess of \$500,000; and

(iii) authorize the payment to contractors and vendors of all or any portion of their compensation even though not yet payable under the terms of the agreement, contract, or purchase order, in each case whenever the Executive Director deems it advisable under the circumstances.

(f) The Executive Director may acquire temporary interests in real property necessary in connection with construction or operation of Port Authority facilities, provided that the term of any such interest shall not be in excess of five years.

(g) Not less than ten days in advance of any meeting of the Board of Commissioners at which the Board is to consider an action to authorize the sale of real property owned by the Port Authority, the Executive Director shall provide public notice of such proposed action, by posting on the Port Authority's Internet site or any successor electronic media designated by the Executive Director for such purposes.

(h) In compliance with the policies established by the Board of Commissioners, the Executive Director shall, from time to time, adopt appropriate procedural guidelines, consistent with those applied to state authorities in the two States, to ensure that procurement, based on competitive contract-award processes, of agreements and contracts for the purchase of goods and contract services, professional, technical and advisory services, real estate and construction is based on open competition and fairness, with the highest level of integrity, and to discourage attempts by others to influence the Port Authority to achieve preferential, unequal or favored consideration of proposals for

procurement based on considerations other than on the merits of such proposals. Such procedural guidelines shall include: restrictions on contacts between Commissioners and staff regarding the procurement process and particular active procurement matters; restrictions on contacts between lobbyists representing contractors, vendors or service providers, and Commissioners and staff, regarding the procurement process and particular active procurement matters; rules controlling flow of procurement inquiries and bids to responsible staff and pursuant to pre-set procedures; advertisement of procurement opportunities by the Port Authority through a broad range of media outlets, to increase vendors' awareness of and participation in the procurement process; and equal opportunity for minority-owned, women-owned and small business enterprises.

(i) In compliance with the policies established by the Board of Commissioners, the Executive Director shall have authority to adopt, rescind, amend, and modify rules and regulations

(i) for and in connection with facilities and properties owned, leased, or operated by the Port Authority and for the conduct of the users thereof and all other persons in or about such facilities or properties, including the officers, employees, or representatives of the Port Authority and of the users of its facilities and properties and people doing business with it or them; and

(ii) for the operation, management, and conduct of the business of the Port Authority and the staff.

(j) The Executive Director shall have authority to enter into any agreement including, but not limited to, leases, permits and licenses, for the use or occupancy of any property owned or operated by the Port Authority and for the use or occupancy of property by the Port Authority or for the exercise of privileges thereat; provided, that such agreement

(i) is for a total term, including any renewals and extensions, of not more than ten years, and the average annual rental (net present value) is not more than \$1,000,000;

(ii) is unconditionally revocable without cause by the Port Authority upon 30 days' notice or less and there is no fixed obligation on the Port Authority in excess of \$1,000,000; or

(iii) substitutes another for the contracting party to an existing agreement.

Any such agreement may contain such indemnity and other provisions as the Executive Director may deem appropriate.

(k) The Executive Director may authorize or arrange for contracts for the sale of personal property owned by the Port Authority upon such terms and conditions as the Executive Director may deem proper and execute the same on behalf of the Port

Authority where the value of such personal property is not in excess of \$1,000,000; provided, however, that personal property valued at more than \$250,000 shall not be sold by authority of the Executive Director other than to the highest bidder after public advertisement.

(l) The Executive Director may authorize intervention and participation on behalf of the Port Authority in proceedings before any administrative tribunal of the United States or of the States of New York and New Jersey or their subdivisions affecting the trade, commerce, and economic development of the Port District or the terminal or transportation facilities or facilities of commerce and economic development therein; provided, however, that no statement as to the position of the Port Authority on the issues in the proceedings shall be submitted until the position has been authorized by the Board of Commissioners or the appropriate Committee thereof.

(m) With respect to the operation, planning, and development of Port Authority facilities and to other projects, programs, and studies which have been authorized by the Port Authority, the Executive Director may apply for and accept on behalf of the Port Authority grants from federal, state, or other governmental entities. Expenditures in connection with such grants or projects and activities funded in whole or in part by such grants are, however, subject to consideration and authorization in accordance with the provisions of these By-Laws.

(n) The Executive Director may, in the best interests of the Port Authority, enter into or authorize execution of agreements with federal, state, or other governmental entities for the performance of services by Port Authority employees or the participation by such employees in programs or other activities sponsored in whole or in part by such entities.

(o) The Executive Director shall have authority to settle all claims of and all claims against the Port Authority (not covered under paragraphs (c) and (e) of this Article X) when the total payment or the amount of damages incurred by the Port Authority is not in excess of \$1,000,000. Claims of and against the Port Authority shall include claims against individuals for which the Port Authority would be responsible under Article XI of these By-Laws; provided, however, that in the case of claims against individuals for which the Port Authority would be responsible under the said Article XI, which are covered by insurance purchased by or on behalf of such individuals, the Port Authority shall pay such claims only to the extent that they are in excess of the amount for which the insurance carriers are responsible.

(p) With respect to Port Authority property or to the operation, planning and development of Port Authority facilities the Executive Director may enter into such indemnity agreements as the Executive Director may deem appropriate.

(q) The Executive Director shall publish on a regular basis comprehensive reports
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(i) transactions of the Port Authority relating to the business and activities of the Port Authority, which reports shall identify vendors retained to perform services through the procurement process and the terms of their engagements; and

(ii) expenditures and operations of the Port Authority, identifying its programs and associated expenditures, which shall also be delivered to the Governors of New York and New Jersey;

provided, however, that the failure of the Executive Director to report the same shall not affect the validity of any action taken by the Executive Director with respect thereto.

(r) The Executive Director is authorized to delegate in whole or in part any power, authority, or discretion conferred upon the Executive Director by these By-Laws, or by any resolution heretofore or hereafter adopted by the Board of Commissioners to any other officer or member of the executive staff; provided, however, that the Executive Director shall file all delegations with the Secretary; and, provided further, that this power shall not apply to any case where the Executive Director is authorized to sign checks, drafts, or commercial paper, or deeds of conveyance of real property, or to have access to safe deposit boxes

(s) In exigent circumstances, the Executive Director, after consultation with the Chairman of the Port Authority (which requirement for consultation is waived if the Chairman of the Port Authority cannot be contacted through reasonable means and in a reasonable period of time), may take any action, whether or not otherwise authorized in these By-Laws, with respect to the property or facilities, projects, programs, and business of the Port Authority, or the rules and regulations or fees, fares, tolls, and other charges relating thereto. The Executive Director shall report such action to the Board of Commissioners. The Executive Director shall notify the Chairman of the Port Authority of any contract entered into pursuant to this provision.

Whenever the Executive Director purports to act pursuant to power vested under these By-Laws, then all third persons are entitled to rely on the Executive Director's representation that the Executive Director has the power to act.

The powers conferred upon the Executive Director under these By-Laws shall be discretionary and, unless otherwise expressly provided, shall not be construed to impose upon the Executive Director a requirement to execute any agreement, contract, or purchase order, or to take any other action authorized under these By-Laws. Except as otherwise provided in this Article X, the Executive Director may take action as authorized without providing prior notice to the Board of Commissioners.

XI. DEFENSE AND INDEMNIFICATION OF INDIVIDUALS

1. As used in this Article XI, the term “indemnified party” shall mean an individual who is a Commissioner, officer, or employee of the Port Authority. The terms “Commissioner,” “officer,” and “employee” shall include a former Commissioner, officer, and employee, and the estate or a judicially appointed personal representative of such present or former Commissioner, officer, or employee.

2. Upon compliance by an indemnified party with the provisions of paragraph 8 of this Article XI, the Port Authority shall provide for the defense of the indemnified party in any civil action or proceeding in any state or federal court arising out of any alleged act or omission which occurred or is alleged in the complaint to have occurred while the individual was acting within the scope of Port Authority employment or duties; or which is brought pursuant to section nineteen hundred eighty-one or nineteen hundred eighty-three of title forty-two of the United States Code and the act or omission underlying the action occurred or is alleged in the complaint to have occurred while the individual was acting within the scope of Port Authority employment or duties. The Port Authority shall not provide for a defense where such civil action or proceeding is brought by or on behalf of the Port Authority or to recover Port Authority funds.

3. Where an individual seeking indemnification delivers process and a request for a defense to General Counsel as required by paragraph 8 of this Article XI, General Counsel shall take the necessary steps on behalf of the individual in order to avoid entry of a default judgment pending resolution of any question pertaining to the determination to provide for a defense. General Counsel shall represent such individual; provided, however, that General Counsel shall, with the approval of the Executive Director (in accordance with policies adopted by the Board of Commissioners), assign outside counsel where General Counsel determines, based upon an investigation and review of the facts and circumstances of the case, that representation by General Counsel would be inappropriate; or whenever a court of competent jurisdiction determines that a conflict of interest exists and that the individual is entitled to be represented by outside counsel.

4. The Port Authority shall indemnify and save harmless an indemnified party in the amount of any judgment obtained against such indemnified party in any state or federal court, or in the amount of any settlement of a claim, or shall pay such judgment or settlement; provided, however, that the act or omission from which such judgment or settlement arose occurred while the indemnified party was acting within the scope of Port Authority employment or duties; and provided, further, that the Port Authority shall not indemnify and save harmless or pay under this Article XI where the injury or damage resulted from actual fraud, actual malice, willful misconduct or intentional wrongdoing on the part of the party seeking indemnification, or where the Port Authority has brought the action.

5. Any proposed settlement or final judgment which may be subject to indemnification or payment by the Port Authority in accordance with these By-Laws, if not inconsistent with the provisions of this Article XI, shall, as applicable, be authorized

for payment in accordance with the provisions of these By-Laws; provided, however, that General Counsel has determined that such proposed settlement or final judgment is in the best interest of the Port Authority. Nothing in this Article XI shall be construed to authorize the Port Authority to indemnify and save harmless or pay an indemnified party with respect to a settlement not so reviewed and approved by General Counsel.

6. Nothing in this Article XI shall require the Port Authority to indemnify or save harmless an indemnified party with respect to fines or penalties; provided, however, that the Port Authority shall indemnify and save harmless an indemnified party in the amount of any costs, attorneys' fees, damages, fines, or penalties which may be imposed by reason of an adjudication that an indemnified party, acting within the scope of Port Authority employment or duties, has, without willfulness or intent, violated a prior order, judgment, consent decree, or stipulation of settlement entered in any court of the State of New York or New Jersey or of the United States.

7. The Port Authority may, consistent with applicable law, provide for a defense when punitive damages are sought or criminal charges are asserted, in connection with any alleged act or omission which occurred or is alleged in the complaint to have occurred while the individual was acting within the scope of Port Authority employment or duties, based upon an investigation and review of the facts and circumstances and a determination by General Counsel that provision of such defense would be in the best interest of the Port Authority; provided, however, that the Port Authority shall provide reimbursement of defense costs incurred by or on behalf of an indemnified party in defense of a criminal proceeding arising out of such an act or omission, upon acquittal or dismissal of the criminal charges. Furthermore, the Port Authority may, consistent with applicable law, indemnify or save harmless an indemnified party with respect to fines or penalties, based upon an investigation and review of the facts and circumstances of the case and a determination by General Counsel that to indemnify and save harmless such indemnified party would be in the best interest of the Port Authority.

8. The benefits of this Article XI shall be conditioned upon (i) delivery to General Counsel of the original or a copy of any summons, complaint, process, notice, demand or pleading within five days after receipt or service of such document, such delivery being deemed a request by the party seeking indemnification that the Port Authority provide for defense pursuant to this Article XI; (ii) the full cooperation of the indemnified party in the defense of such action or proceeding and in defense of any action or proceeding against the Port Authority based upon the same act or omission, and in the prosecution of any appeal; and (iii) the agreement of the indemnified party that the Port Authority shall be entitled to withdraw such defense and demand reimbursement from such party for costs incurred in connection with such defense in the event that, upon further discovery, indemnification is not required or otherwise warranted under this Article XI.

9. The benefits of this Article XI shall inure only to an indemnified party as defined herein and shall not enlarge or diminish the rights of any other party. This Article XI shall not in any way affect the obligation of any claimant to give any notice otherwise required by any provision of law. The provisions of this Article XI shall not be

construed to impair, alter, limit, or modify the rights and obligations of any insurer under any policy of insurance.

10. Except as otherwise specifically provided herein, the provisions of this Article XI shall not be construed in any way to impair, alter, limit, modify, abrogate, or restrict any immunity available to or conferred upon any unit, entity, Commissioner, officer, or employee of the Port Authority, or any right to defense and/or indemnification provided for any governmental officer or employee by, in accordance with, or by reason of, any other provision of state or federal statutory or common law.

11. In compliance with policies established by the Board of Commissioners, the Executive Director is authorized to publish such rules and regulations as are necessary to effectuate the purposes of this Article XI.

XII. BUDGET

Whenever reference in these By-Laws is made to a Budget, it shall mean the Budget of the Port Authority, together with a Capital Plan and Strategic Plan, approved or authorized by the Board of Commissioners at a meeting held pursuant to the Open Meetings Policy. Whenever in these By-Laws an officer is vested with powers or discretion by reason of a budget item, such officer shall also have the same powers and discretion in any case where the Board of Commissioners approves or authorizes an expenditure of a specified amount (or of an approximate sum or of an amount not to exceed a specified sum) for a specified purpose, by resolution or otherwise.

XIII. ANNUAL AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS; ANNUAL REPORT

A. The Port Authority shall prepare financial statements on an annual basis in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

B. The Audit Committee of the Port Authority shall arrange for an independent firm of certified public accountants to perform an audit of the financial statements of the Port Authority each year in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America.

C. As a condition to the issuance of the annual financial statements, the Executive Director and the Chief Financial Officer shall be required to make a written certification to the effect that, to the best of their knowledge and belief, the financial and other information in the consolidated financial statements is accurate in all material respects and has been reported in a manner designed to present fairly the Port Authority's net assets, changes in net assets, and cash flows, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; and, that on the basis that the cost of internal controls should not outweigh their benefits, the Port Authority has established a

comprehensive framework of internal controls to protect its assets from loss, theft, or misuse, and to provide reasonable (rather than absolute) assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of the consolidated financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

D. The Executive Director shall make arrangements for the publication of the annual report submitted to the Governors and Legislatures of the two States as provided by law, which report shall include but not be limited to the following: (i) the Port Authority's annual financial statements; (ii) the independent auditor's report with respect to the annual financial statements; (iii) the certification referred to paragraph C of this Article XIII; and (iv) a list of the compensation, educational background and professional experience of, the 20 highest-paid executive staff members.

XIV. RESERVATION OF POWERS

The powers not delegated by these By-Laws are reserved to the Board of Commissioners. The powers vested by or pursuant to these By-Laws in the Committees shall not be construed or deemed to limit the authority of the Board of Commissioners to act in any instance or the statutory veto power of the Governor of each State. If such authority is exercised by the Board of Commissioners, it shall not be construed or deemed to affect the power of the Committees to act in similar cases thereafter. The powers vested in the Executive Director shall not be construed or deemed to affect the power of the Board of Commissioners to act in any case, nor shall any power vested in the Executive Director be construed or deemed to affect the power of any Committee to act where such power is also vested in a Committee, but where either the Board of Commissioners or any Committee exercises a power in any such case, such action shall not be construed or deemed to affect the power of the Executive Director to act in similar cases in the future.

XV. AMENDMENTS

These By-Laws may be amended by resolution duly adopted at any meeting of the Board of Commissioners, regular or special, provided that notice of intention to present such resolution shall be given at least two days in advance of the meeting at which the motion to adopt such resolution is made. Such notice may be given by any Commissioner or by any Committee (or by the Secretary at the request of any Commissioner or any Committee). Such notice shall be given to all Commissioners by mail, facsimile, telephone, or in person, at least two days before the meeting; in the alternate, such notice may be given orally at any meeting, in which event such notice shall be noted in the minutes of the meeting at which it is given. Advance notices of motions to amend motions to amend the By-Laws need not, however, be given. Any amendment of the formal written charter of a Committee adopted pursuant to these By-Laws shall follow the procedures set forth in this Article XV for the amendment of the By-Laws.