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**RESOLUTION TO CONTRACT WITH HARRIS BEACH PLLC
TO PROVIDE BOND COUNSEL SERVICES
IN CONNECTION WITH THE ANTICIPATED ISSUANCE OF SERIAL BONDS**

WHEREAS, the Board of the Hudson River-Black River Regulating District appropriated funds for investment in vital infrastructure in the Fiscal Year 2021-22 and Fiscal Year 2022-23 budgets; and

WHEREAS, the Board of the Regulating District also included funds from bond proceeds to pay for this investment in the Fiscal Year 2022-23 budget; and

WHEREAS, the Regulating District published a Request for Proposals (RFP) for Bond Counsel Services on October 8, 2021 to ensure the anticipated issuance of serial bonds is structured in accordance with all applicable federal and state statutes and regulations; and

WHEREAS, in compliance with the aforementioned RFP, the Regulating District received and opened five proposals; and

WHEREAS, after careful evaluation of the five RFPs based on the technical and cost criteria set forth in the RFP by an evaluation committee consisting of the Chief Fiscal Officer, General Counsel and Compliance Officer, the law firm of Harris Beach PLLC received the highest total score; and

WHEREAS, having received the highest total score, the Regulating District's evaluation committee recommends the Board conditionally award the work to Harris Beach PLLC; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of the Hudson River-Black River Regulating District hereby conditionally awards Bond Counsel Services work to Harris Beach PLLC upon the successful negotiation of contract terms and conditions; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of the Regulating District hereby authorizes the Executive Director to negotiate and execute a contract with a not to exceed amount of \$30,000.00, plus approved disbursements; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, said contract is subject to review and approval by the New York State Attorney General.

Approved as to form:



Robert P. Leslie
General Counsel

Motion was made by Mr. Hayes and seconded by Mr. Reagan that the Resolution be approved.

Present and Voting:

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>AYE</u>	<u>NOE</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>
Mr. Finkle	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
Mr. Hayes.....	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
Mr. Rosenthal.....	_____	_____	<u>EXCUSED</u>
Mr. De Witt.....	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
Mr. Bird.....	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
Mr. Candido	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
Mr. Reagan.....	<u>X</u>	_____	_____