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**DATE:** March 14, 2018  
**TO:** MERA Executive Board  
**FROM:** Maureen Cassingham, Executive Officer  
**SUBJECT:** AGENDA ITEM **B-3**: APPOINTMENT OF TWO MERA  
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Recommended Action: Appoint two members to the MERA Finance Committee to fill vacancies created by the resignations of Finance Committee Members Richard Pearce and Todd Cusimano.

Background: On January 9, 2018, and January 11, 2018, I received the attached resignations from the MERA Finance Committee from President Pearce and Vice President Cusimano, respectively. Both have served several years on the Committee and have provided great stewardship throughout the Next Gen Project financing and evolutionary development of the long-term comprehensive Next Gen Project Budget.

The Finance Committee is comprised of 5 members. The remaining 3 members include Committee Chair Hymel, Vice Chair Gaffney and Member Doyle. The Committee's charge is as follows:

“to advise on budgets, public financing, accounting, auditing, or other fiscal matters”

On average, the Committee meets 3 times a year, including in the Spring for the budget review and in the Fall for the annual audit. The Executive Board, as the appointing authority, has as past practice, sought a volunteer from its own membership to serve. If needed, the Executive Board can reach out to a member of the Governing Board.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- B-3a Pearce Resignation Letter – January 9, 2018
- B-3b Cusimano Resignation Email – January 11, 2018
- B-3c MERA Executive Board Member List – December, 2016
- B-3d MERA Governing Board Members and Alternates List – March 1, 2018