CALIFORNIA POLLUTION CONTROL FINANCING AUTHORITY BOND FINANCING PROGRAM

Meeting Date: September 17, 2013

Request for Initial Resolution

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Applicant: Zerep Management Corporation **Amount Requested:** \$23,830,000

and/or its Affiliates

Application No.: 872 (SB)

Project Location: City of Industry, Pomona Initial Resolution No.: 13-08

(Los Angeles County)

<u>Summary</u>. Zerep Management Corporation and/or its Affiliates (the "Company") requests approval of an Initial Resolution for an amount not to exceed \$23,830,000 to finance construction of a transfer station and compressed natural gas (CNG) fueling station, and to purchase vehicles and equipment.

Borrower. The Company provides refuse collection and disposal services in Los Angeles County. The Company was incorporated in California in 1970 and has approximately 321 employees.

The principal stockholders of the Company are as follows:

 Manny Perez
 50.00%

 David Perez
 50.00%

 Total:
 100.00%

<u>Legal Questionnaire</u>. The Staff has reviewed the Company's responses to the questions contained in the Legal Status portion of the Application. No information was disclosed in the Legal Status portion of the Application that raises questions concerning the financial viability or legal integrity of this applicant.

Project Description. The Company plans to construct and equip a transfer station and CNG fueling station in Pomona. The Company also intends to acquire CNG waste collection vehicles, rolling stock, drop boxes, bins, carts, containers and other equipment related to the collection and transfer of solid waste for use at its sites in Pomona and the City of Industry.

<u>Volume Cap Allocation</u>. The Company anticipates applying to the Authority for volume cap allocation on October 15, 2013.

Financing Details. The Company anticipates the issuance of negotiated tax exempt bonds.

Financing Team.

Underwriter:Westhoff, Cone & HolmstedtBond Counsel:Law Offices of Leslie M. LavaIssuer's Counsel:Office of the Attorney General

<u>Staff Recommendation</u>. Staff recommends approval of Initial Resolution No. 13-08 for Zerep Management Corporation and/or its Affiliates for an amount not to exceed \$23,830,000.

Note: An Initial Resolution approval is not a commitment that the Board will approve a Final Resolution and bond financing of the proposed Project.

Initial Resolution No. 13-08 Application No. 872(SB)

RESOLUTION OF OFFICIAL INTENT TO ISSUE BONDS TO FINANCE SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL/RECYCLING FACILITIES FOR ZEREP MANAGEMENT CORPORATION AND/OR ITS AFFILIATES

September 17, 2013

WHEREAS, the California Pollution Control Financing Authority ("Authority"), a public instrumentality, is authorized and empowered by the provisions of the California Pollution Control Financing Authority Act ("Act") to issue bonds for the purpose of defraying the cost of facilities for the disposal of solid and liquid waste products, including solid waste disposal recovery and recycling facilities; and

WHEREAS, Zerep Management Corporation, a California corporation ("Applicant"), has requested that the Authority assist in financing solid waste disposal/recycling facilities to be owned and operated by the Applicant and/or its Affiliates (as hereinafter defined) (collectively, "Company"), which are expected to be comprised of the construction of a transfer station and a CNG fueling station and the acquisition and installation, if any, of equipment for the collection, processing and transfer of solid waste, including conveyors, sorters, CNG waste collection vehicles, rolling stock, drop boxes, bins, carts and/or containers, and other equipment functionally related thereto (collectively, "Facilities"), and has presented an estimate of the maximum cost of such Facilities as shown in Exhibit "A" attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the Authority desires to encourage the Company to provide solid waste disposal/recycling facilities which will serve the public of the State; and

WHEREAS, the Authority deems it necessary and advisable to further the purposes of the Act that the Facilities be acquired at the earliest practicable date, but the Company requires satisfactory assurances from the Authority that the proceeds of the sale of bonds of the Authority will be made available to finance such Facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Company expects to incur or pay from its own funds certain expenditures in connection with the Facilities prior to the issuance of indebtedness for the purpose of financing costs associated with the Facilities on a long-term basis; and

WHEREAS, subject to meeting all the conditions set forth in this resolution the Authority reasonably expects that debt obligations in an amount not expected to exceed \$23,830,000 will be issued and that certain of the proceeds of such debt obligations will be used to reimburse the Company for its prior expenditures for the Facilities; and

WHEREAS, Section 1.103-8(a)(5) and Section 1.150-2 of the Treasury Regulations require the Authority to declare its reasonable official intent to reimburse prior expenditures for the Facilities with proceeds of a subsequent borrowing;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the California Pollution Control Financing Authority as follows:

<u>Section 1</u>. The Authority finds and determines that the foregoing recitals are true and correct. For purposes of this Resolution, an "Affiliate" of the Applicant means any person or entity which meets the definition of "participating party" in the Act and controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, the Applicant, as shown by the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of its management or policies, whether through majority equity ownership, contract or otherwise.

Section 2. The Authority declares its official intent to issue, at one time or from time to time, an aggregate of up to \$23,830,000 principal amount of bonds of the Authority for the Facilities; including for the purpose of reimbursing to the Company costs incurred for the Facilities prior to the issuance of the bonds.

<u>Section 3</u>. The bonds will be payable solely from the revenues to be received by the Authority pursuant to a loan agreement or other agreements to be entered into between the Authority and the Company in connection with the Facilities. Each bond shall contain a statement to the following effect:

"Neither the faith and credit nor the taxing power of the State of California or any political subdivision thereof or any local agency is pledged to the payment of the principal of, premium, if any, or any interest on this bond."

Section 4. The bonds shall be issued subject to the conditions that (i) the Authority and the Company shall have first agreed to mutually acceptable terms for the bonds and of the sale and delivery thereof, and mutually acceptable terms and conditions of the loan of the proceeds thereof to the Company; (ii) all requisite governmental approvals shall have first been obtained; (iii) a Final Resolution shall have been received from the Authority; and (iv) an allocation shall have been received from the California Debt Limit Allocation Committee.

<u>Section 5.</u> The Executive Director of the Authority is hereby directed to indicate the willingness of the Authority to proceed with and effect such financing in order to assist the Company by defraying the cost of the Facilities, subject to due compliance with all requirements of the law and the obtaining of all necessary consents and approvals and meeting all other requirements of the Authority.

Section 6. It is intended that this Resolution shall constitute "some other similar official action" towards the issuance of bonds within the meaning of Section 1.103-8(a)(5) of the Treasury Regulations and "official intent" within the meaning of Section 1.150-2 of the Treasury Regulations, each as applicable under Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. It is also intended that this statement of "official action" or "official intent" by the Authority shall continue in full force and effect even if this Resolution ceases to be effective for other purposes.

<u>Section 7.</u> This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage and remain in full force and effect thereafter; provided that, subject to Section 6, this Resolution shall cease to be effective on September 17, 2016 unless prior thereto the Authority specifically adopts a further resolution extending the effective date of this Initial Resolution, which it will do only after receiving a specific request for such action from the Company, accompanied by an explanation of the status of the project and any additional information requested by the Authority to supplement the Company's application.

EXHIBIT A

NUMBER: 13-08

LOCATIONS: 1371 E. Ninth Street

Pomona, California 91766

999 and 1037 South Hatcher Avenue City of Industry, California 91748

17445 Railroad Street

City of Industry, California 91748

TYPE: Solid Waste Disposal/Recycling

AMOUNT: Up to \$23,830,000