## MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING NEW JERSEY PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION

April 20, 2012 10:45 a.m.

495 West State Street Trenton, New Jersey

The meeting was called to order by Chair P. Kelly Hatfield.

Present by telephone were:

Commissioners:

John Bonanni John Eskilson Sharon Krengel Paula B. Voos

Also present were:
David Gambert, Deputy General Counsel
Mary E. Hennessy-Shotter, Deputy General Counsel
Don Horowitz, Deputy General Counsel
Christine Lucarelli-Carneiro, Deputy General Counsel
Martin R. Pachman, General Counsel
Annette Thompson, who acted as Stenographer

At the commencement of the meeting, Chair Hatfield, pursuant to section 5 of the Open Public Meetings Act, entered this announcement into the minutes of the meeting:

Adequate notice has been provided by the dissemination of a written "Notice of Special Meeting."
On April 17, 2012 a copy of such notice was:

- (a) prominently posted in a public place at the offices of the Public Employment Relations Commission;
- (b) sent to the business offices of the Trenton Times, the Bergen Record, and the Camden Courier Post, as well as to the State House press row addresses of 25 media outlets;
- (c) mailed to the Secretary of State for filing; and
- (d) posted on the agency's web site.

A roll call was initiated to confirm the Commissioners that were present on the telephone. Commissioners Jones and Wall were not present because they were recused from voting.

The first item for consideration was <u>Township of West</u>

<u>Caldwell and West Essex PBA Local 81 (West Caldwell Unit)</u>, Docket

Nos. IA-2011-012 and SN-2012-052. Commissioner Eskilson moved the draft decision and Commissioner Krengel seconded the motion.

Commissioner Krengel had a question about time consideration for filing a scope petition. Marty Pachman, General Counsel responded there were frequently asked questions on our website concerning the new rules. On review, and under the circumstances of this case, it was found that the FAQ's needed to be revised. As a result, under the old law the interest arbitration was held in abeyance in order to deal with the scope issue. The new law changes the order of that. The FAQ's have since been revised and are available on our agency web site. The motion to adopt the draft decision was unanimously approved (Chair Hatfield, Commissioners Bonanni, Eskilson, Krengel and Voos).

The meeting was then adjourned.

The next meeting is scheduled to be held on Thursday, April 26, 2012.