RESOLUTION NO. 2006-6

RESOLUTION BY THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE PLANNING COMMITTEE AUTHORIZING RACINE COUNTY TO EXERCISE THE OPTION TO WAIVE RENEGOTIATION OF EXISTING AGREEMENTS AFFECTING THE ONYX EMERALD PARK LANDFILL AND THE ONYX EMERALD PARK LANDFILL WESTERN HORIZONTAL EXPANSION

To the Honorable Members of the Racine County Board of Supervisors:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Racine County Board of Supervisors that Racine County Planning and Development Department is authorized to exercise its option under the terms in Paragraph 27 of Negotiated Agreement, as detailed in "Exhibit A" that is attached hereto and incorporated herein, resulting from the litigation in Waukesha County Case No. 99CV1476.

 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Racine County Board of Supervisors that any two of the County Clerk, the County Executive and/or the County Board Chairman are authorized to execute any contracts, agreements or other documents necessary to carry out the intent of this resolution.

Respectfully submitted, **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE** 1st Reading PLANNING COMMITTEE 2nd Reading **BOARD ACTION** Jeff Halbach, Chairman Adopted For Robert Grove, Vice-Chairman Against Absent VOTE REQUIRED: Majority Q.A. Shakoor, II, Secretary Prepared by: Corporation Counsel Mark M. Gleason Kenneth Hall Karen A. Nelson Thomas Pringle

INFORMATION ONLY

WHEREAS, on or about December 23, 2005, Onyx Emerald Park, LLC submitted an Initial Site Report for the Onyx Emerald Park Landfill Western Horizontal Expansion; and

WHEREAS, the Onyx Emerald Park Landfill (formerly known as the Emerald Park Landfill and the Superior Emerald Park Landfill) is a solid waste disposal facility located within the City of Muskego, Waukesha County, Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, Onyx Emerald Park Landfill, LLC, a domestic limited liability company, is the current owner of the Onyx Emerald Park Landfill; and

WHEREAS, the City of Muskego, Waukesha County, City of Franklin, Town of Norway, and Racine County each constitute an "Affected Municipality" under Wis. Stat. § 289.01(1); and

WHEREAS, the Onyx Emerald Park Landfill is licensed by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources ("WDNR") under WDNR License No. 3290 pursuant to Chapter 289 of the Wisconsin Statutes; and

 WHEREAS, the Onyx Emerald Park Landfill is further subject to multiple agreements, to wit: the Interim Construction Agreement, Stipulation as to Agreed Upon Issues as to Negotiated Agreement, the Arbitration Award of the Wisconsin Waste Facilities Siting Board, the Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release in Case No. 99-CV-1476, and the January 20, 2000 Letter of Understanding regarding City of Muskego v. Superior Emerald Park Landfill, Inc. (all of which are collectively referred to herein as the "Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, the Agreement arises out of, and is related to, an expansion of the Onyx Emerald Park Landfill; and

WHEREAS, the Agreement was ultimately concluded on or about March 13, 2000 after approximately two years of contentious litigation; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned Stipulation as to Agreed Upon Issues as to Negotiated Agreement and the Negotiated Agreement incorporated therein (the "Negotiated Agreement") was entered into under Wis. Stat. § 289.33(9)(g); and

WHEREAS, Paragraph 27 of the Negotiated Agreement (attached hereto and incorporated by reference as Exhibit "A") expressly grants the Affected Municipalities the option to waive negotiations for future expansions and thereby make applicable all terms and rate schedules for compensation set forth in the Negotiated Agreement.