COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND 2017 Legislative Session

Bill No.	CB-109-2017		
Chapter No.	89		
Proposed and Pro	esented by The Chairman (by request – County Executive)		
Introduced by _	Council Members Davis, Glaros, Franklin, Harrison, Patterson, Taveras,		
and Turner			
Date of Introduc	tion October 17, 2017		
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AN ACT concern	ing		
	The Issuance and Sale of Special Obligation Bonds		
	for the Kingdom Square Development District and		
	Kingdom Square Special Taxing District		
For the purpose of	f amending and restating in its entirety CB-98-2010 of the County Council of		
Prince George's C	County, Maryland; amending and ratifying CR-76-2010 of the County Council		
of Prince George's County, Maryland; providing that special obligation bonds may be issued			
from time to time under the provisions of this Act, Sections 12-201 through 12-213 of the			
Economic Development Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended (the "Tax			
Increment Financing Act"), Section 10-269 of the Prince George's County Code, as amended,			
Sections 21-501 through 21-518 and Section 21-523 of the Local Government Article of the			
Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended (collectively with Section 10-269 of the Prince			
George's County	Code, the "Special Taxing District Act," and together with the Tax Increment		
Financing Act, the	e "Acts"), and CR-76-2010 of the County Council of Prince George's County,		
Maryland as the same is being amended by the terms hereof, in an amount not to exceed the			
aggregate principal amount of Sixteen Million One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$16,100,000), in			
order for the County to finance or reimburse, in accordance with the Acts, costs related to the			
construction and installation of certain of the public infrastructure improvements as more			
particularly described herein; making certain findings and determinations, among others,			
concerning the public benefit and purpose of such special obligation bonds, including that prior			
to the issuance of such bonds the criteria set forth in CR-38-2011, including but not limited to the			

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"But-For Test," the "Trigger Mechanism/Look Back Provision," LMBE participation and the impact of the County credit/bond rating, have been satisfied; providing that such special obligation bonds authorized to be issued hereby shall be payable, first, from the amounts levied and deposited in the Tax Increment Fund (as defined in the Formation Resolution identified herein) and, secondly, to the extent the Tax Increment Fund does not contain monies in an amount sufficient for payment of debt service on such special obligation bonds and to the extent amounts are required for deposit in funds and accounts created within the indenture providing for the issuance of the special obligation bonds to replenish deficiencies therein and to pay the administrative expenses of the County, from the special tax to be levied and deposited in the Special Taxing District Fund (as defined in the Formation Resolution) and that the special obligation bonds shall not constitute a general obligation debt of the County or a pledge of the County's full faith and credit or taxing power other than the taxes representing the levy on the Tax Increment (as defined in the Formation Resolution), the Hotel Taxes (as defined in the Formation Resolution) and the Special Taxes (as defined in the Formation Resolution); authorizing the County Executive of the County to specify, prescribe, determine, provide for and approve certain details, forms, documents or procedures in connection with such special obligation bonds issued hereunder and any other matters necessary or desirable in connection with the authorization, issuance, sale and payment of such special obligation bonds; authorizing the County Executive to take certain actions, to execute documents and make certain commitments on behalf of the County in connection with the issuance, sale and delivery of such special obligation bonds; authorizing the execution and delivery of such special obligation bonds and such other documents as may be necessary and desirable to effectuate the financing of the infrastructure improvements and the issuance, sale and delivery of such special obligation bonds; and generally providing for, and determining various matters in connection with, the issuance, sale, delivery and payment of such special obligation bonds.

WHEREAS, in order for the County to finance or reimburse, in accordance with the Acts, costs related to the construction and installation of certain of the public infrastructure improvements as more particularly described herein, the County Council by adoption of CR-76-2010 (the "Original Formation Resolution"): (i) designated a contiguous area within the County known as the "Kingdom Square Development District" (the "Development District") as a "development district" as that term is used in the Tax Increment Financing Act, (ii) established

the "Kingdom Square Development District Tax Increment Fund" (the "Tax Increment Fund"), (iii) designated an area within the County known as the "Kingdom Square Special Taxing District" (the "Special Taxing District," and together with the Development District, the "Districts") as a "special taxing district" as that term is used in the Special Taxing District Act, and (iv) established the "Kingdom Square Special Tax Fund" (the "Special Taxing District Fund"); and

WHEREAS, subsequent to the enactment of the Original Formation Resolution, the County Council enacted CB-98-2010 (the "First Bond Ordinance"), pursuant to which certain provisions of the Original Formation Resolution were amended (the Original Formation Resolution, as amended by the First Bond Ordinance and this Act, is referred to herein as the "Formation Resolution"); and

WHEREAS, the County has determined to (i) amend certain provisions of the Original Formation Resolution and (ii) amend and restate in its entirety the First Bond Ordinance, in each case pursuant to the terms of this Act; and

WHEREAS, the County has the power under the Formation Resolution to provide funds to finance public infrastructure improvements as permitted under the Tax Increment Financing Act through the issuance and delivery from time to time of special obligation bonds, secured by the Tax Increment Fund, to support the development of real property in the Development District, including residential and commercial facilities, structured parking and a hotel; and

WHEREAS, the County has the power under the Formation Resolution to provide funds to finance public infrastructure improvements as permitted under the Special Taxing District Act through the issuance and delivery from time to time of special obligation bonds, secured by the Special Taxing District Fund, to finance the cost of infrastructure improvements within and related to the Special Taxing District; and

WHEREAS, CapHeights Central, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, or one of its subsidiaries or affiliates (the "Developer"), plans to acquire, construct and install the infrastructure improvements in the Kingdom Square Development District and the Kingdom Square Special Taxing District described in the Amended Description of Improvements, attached hereto as Exhibit A and made a part hereof (the "Improvements"), to serve such development; and

WHEREAS, the proposed infrastructure improvements will be situated both within and

outside of the Districts and all such proposed infrastructure improvements shall be reasonably related to one another as required by the Acts; and

WHEREAS, in order to assist in facilitating the financing for the Improvements, the County desires to issue its special obligation bonds (as hereinafter defined and further described, the "Bonds") to fund such Improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Bonds will be issued and secured pursuant to the provisions of the Acts, the Formation Resolution, this Act, CR-38-2011, the trust indenture and the development agreement or similar agreement(s) hereinafter authorized; and

WHEREAS, the Bonds will be delivered and the Improvements will be provided in accordance with the terms and the requirements set forth in a development agreement or similar document between the County and the Developer, including the obligation of the Developer to construct the Improvements; and

WHEREAS, the proceeds of the Bonds may be used to reimburse the Developer for costs permitted by the Acts that are being or have been incurred by the Developer in connection with its construction of the Improvements; and

WHEREAS, to the extent that the monies on deposit in the Tax Increment Fund in any given Tax Year exceed any payment required to be satisfied by such monies for administrative costs related to the Bonds and the debt service payable on the Bonds, as well as any other payment required to be satisfied by monies on deposit in the Tax Increment Fund pursuant to a development agreement, such excess will be paid over at the end of each such Tax Year to the County for deposit in its general fund in such amounts and for such uses as set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, if the debt service payable on the Bonds in any Tax Year exceeds the monies on deposit in the Tax Increment Fund, such debt service payments shall be paid by a special tax to be levied and collected pursuant to the Formation Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the construction and installation of the Improvements will further economic development within the County and thus meet the public purposes contemplated by the Acts and the Formation Resolution and will satisfy the criteria set forth in the CR-38-2011, including but not limited to the following: the "But-For Test," the "Trigger Mechanism/Look Back Provision," LMBE participation and the impact on the County credit/bond rating; and

WHEREAS, prior to the Bonds being issued or sold, the Developer or its assigns, the County Executive and bond counsel shall certify that the provisions of CR-38-2011 have been

complied with and that the Minority Business Enterprise ("MBE") Plan has been approved by the Compliance Manager; and

WHEREAS, prior to the issuance and delivery of the Bonds, the County Council must review the TIF Proposal and certifications and approve the same by Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the public infrastructure improvements to be financed will be owned or dedicated to a governmental entity including, but not limited to, the County or the State of Maryland; now, therefore,

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED by the County Council of Prince George's County, Maryland, as follows:

- A. The words and terms used in this Act that are defined in the Acts or the Formation Resolution shall have the meanings indicated in the Acts and Formation Resolution, as the case may be, unless the context clearly requires a contrary meaning.
- B. Acting pursuant to the Acts and the Formation Resolution, it is hereby found and determined that the issuance of the Bonds, as hereinafter defined, for delivery to the original purchaser in connection with a public offering or private placement for the purpose of providing funds for the financing of the infrastructure improvements related to the development of the Districts, accomplish the public purposes of the Acts and the Formation Resolution, and pursuant to the Formation Resolution and this Act, the County has complied with Sections 12-203 and 12-208(c) and (d) of the Tax Increment Financing Act, Section 10-269(e) of the Prince George's County Code and Sections 21-506 and 21-508 of the Special Taxing District Act.
- C. The types of infrastructure improvements to be financed as permitted by the Acts in connection with the Districts are set forth in Exhibit A, including costs related to such improvements which are intended to be funded with the issuance of the Bonds. It is recognized that the total costs shown as to be financed with the issuance of the Bonds are estimated and that the specific items to be funded and the amount of funding for each item shall be as further specified in documentation approved by the County at the time of the issuance of the Bonds. The infrastructure improvements are either contained within the geographic boundaries of the Districts or outside the Districts and to the extent located outside the Districts are reasonably related to other infrastructure improvements located within the Districts.
- D. Before the Bonds are issued, the Financial Officer of the County shall record among the Land Records of the County at the cost of the Kingdom Square Special Taxing District a

declaration encumbering all real property located in the Kingdom Square Special Taxing District except for property exempt by law and designating that property as subject to a special taxing district, which declaration shall also require that any deed entered into to evidence the acquisition or transfer of property within the Kingdom Square Special Taxing District must reflect the fact that such property is located in the Kingdom Square Special Taxing District and subject to the Special Taxes. The declaration shall terminate when the Financial Officer records a release stating that all Bonds are fully repaid or have been defeased.

- E. Pursuant to the provisions of the Formation Resolution and in accordance with the Tax Increment Financing Act, so long as the Bonds remain outstanding, the County shall deposit into the Tax Increment Fund (i) all real property taxes received by the County for any Tax Year after the effective date of the Formation Resolution equal to that portion of the taxes payable to the County representing the levy on the Tax Increment that would normally be paid to the County, and (ii) the Hotel Taxes. Monies in the Tax Increment Fund are pledged to the payment of the Bonds.
- F. Pursuant to the provisions of the Formation Resolution and in accordance with the Special Taxing District Act, the County hereby covenants to levy the Special Taxes in rate and amount at least sufficient in each year in which any of the Bonds are outstanding to provide for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds to the extent of any deficiency in the Tax Increment Fund and to provide for replenishment of any debt service reserve fund securing the Bonds as well as for the payment of County administrative expenses, to the extent such replenishments and expenses are not otherwise provided for, as aforesaid. The Special Taxes also may be levied with respect to refunding bonds issued under the Special Taxing District Act pursuant to the provisions of an ordinance or resolution enacted or adopted by the County in connection with the issuance of such refunding bonds. Monies in the Special Taxing District Fund are pledged to the payment of the Bonds. Special Taxes will be levied and imposed upon all real and personal property within the Kingdom Square Special Taxing District, unless exempted by law or by the provisions hereof, for the purposes, to the extent and in the manner provided in the Second Amended and Restated Rate and Method of Apportionment, attached hereto and made a part hereof, as Exhibit B (the "Rate and Method"), through the application of the procedures provided therein. As set forth in the Rate and Method and as provided herein, no Special Taxes shall be collected unless the Tax Increment Fund does not contain monies in an

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amount sufficient to pay such debt service on the Bonds, to replenish the debt service reserve fund securing the Bonds and to pay any administrative expenses of the County. Further, the Special Taxes levied and imposed by the Formation Resolution in the Kingdom Square Special Taxing District shall take effect and be in force for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017, provided that such Special Taxes shall terminate when the Bonds are no longer outstanding which, for purposes of this Act as it relates only to the Special Taxes, shall mean the Bonds have been fully repaid or defeased.

G. The Bonds may be issued in one or more series from time to time in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed Sixteen Million One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$16,100,000). The proceeds of the Bonds will be utilized solely to finance all or part of the costs of (i) the improvements described in Exhibit A, (ii) funding a debt service reserve fund with respect to the Bonds, (iii) funding capitalized interest with respect to the Bonds, (iv) paying allowable costs of issuing the Bonds and (v) paying administrative expenses of the Districts, through the issuance of such Bonds for delivery to the original purchaser in connection with a public offering or private placement as permitted pursuant to the provisions of the Acts. The Bonds will be payable, first, from the amounts levied and deposited in the Tax Increment Fund created by the Formation Resolution, and, secondly, to the extent the Tax Increment Fund does not contain monies in an amount sufficient for payment of debt service on such Bonds and to the extent amounts are required for deposit in the debt service reserve fund securing the Bonds to replenish deficiencies therein, and to pay County administrative expenses related to the Districts, from the Special Taxes to be levied and deposited in the Special Taxing District Fund created by the Formation Resolution. Provisions may be made for municipal bond insurance or any other type of financial guaranty of the Bonds, if applicable. In addition, the Bonds may be secured through the establishment of additional sinking funds or the pledge of other assets and revenues toward the payment of the principal and interest on the Bonds, if applicable. The Bonds issued hereunder are a special obligation of the County and do not constitute a general obligation debt of the County or a pledge of the County's full faith and credit or taxing power except for the Special Taxes, the Hotel Taxes and the taxes representing the levy on the Tax Increment as set forth in the Formation Resolution. In addition, Bonds issued hereunder may be refunded by bonds issued under the Acts.

H. The Bonds shall be executed in the name of the County and on its behalf by the County

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Executive, by manual or facsimile signature, the corporate seal of the County or a facsimile thereof shall be impressed or otherwise reproduced thereon and attested by the Clerk of the County Council or the Chief Administrative Officer by manual or facsimile signature. Any development agreement and trust indenture to which the County will be a party to provide for the construction by the Developer and the acquisition by the County of the public improvements related to the Districts, and where applicable, all other documents as the County Executive deems necessary to effectuate the issuance, sale and delivery of the Bonds of any series, shall be executed in the name of the County and on its behalf by the County Executive by manual signature, and the corporate seal of the County or a facsimile thereof shall be impressed or otherwise reproduced thereon and attested by the Clerk of the County Council or the Chief Administrative Officer by manual signature. If any officer whose signature or countersignature or a facsimile of whose signature or countersignature appears on the Bonds of any series or on any of the aforesaid documents ceases to be such officer before the delivery of the Bonds of such series or any of the other aforesaid documents, such signature or countersignature or such facsimile shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes, the same as if such officer had remained in office until delivery. The County Executive, the Clerk of the County Council and other officials of the County are hereby authorized and empowered to do all such acts and things and execute such documents and certificates as the County Executive may determine to be necessary to carry out and comply with the provisions of this Act, subject to the limitations set forth in the Acts and this Act.

- I. The Bonds shall be delivered to the original purchaser in connection with a public offering or private placement upon such terms and conditions as the County Executive shall approve. The County Council deems it to be in the best interest of the County to authorize the County Executive to approve the terms of the sale and delivery of the Bonds, within the limitations of Acts and this Act.
 - J. Subject to the provisions of this Act, the County Executive by executive order:
 - (1) shall prescribe the form, tenor, terms and conditions of and security for the Bonds;
- (2) shall prescribe the principal amounts, rate or rates of interest which shall not exceed six and one-half percent (6.5%) per annum, premiums, if any, denominations, date, maturity or maturities (within the limits prescribed in the Acts), and the time and place or places of payment of the Bonds, and the terms and conditions and details under which the Bonds may be called for

redemption prior to their stated maturities;

- (3) may appoint bond counsel, underwriters, a financial advisor and if necessary, may appoint a trustee, a bond registrar and a paying agent or agents for the Bonds;
- (4) shall approve the form and contents of, and execute and deliver (where applicable), any trust indenture, development agreement and such other documents to which the County is a party and which may be necessary to effectuate the issuance, sale and delivery of the Bonds;
- (5) may execute and deliver a contract or contracts for the purchase and sale of the Bonds (or any portion thereof) in form and content satisfactory to the County Executive;
- (6) shall determine the time of execution, issuance, sale and delivery of the Bonds and prescribe any and all other details of the Bonds;
 - (7) shall approve the terms of the sale of the Bonds, as provided herein;
- (8) shall provide for the direct or indirect payment of all costs, fees and expenses incurred by or on behalf of the County in connection with the issuance, sale and delivery of the Bonds, including (without limitation) costs of printing (if any) and issuing the Bonds, the funding of reserves, legal expenses (including the fees of bond counsel) and compensation to any person performing services by or on behalf of the County in connection therewith; and
- (9) shall do any and all things necessary, proper or expedient in connection with the issuance, sale and delivery of the Bonds in order to accomplish the legislative policy of the Acts and the public purposes of this Act, subject to the limitations set forth in the Acts and any limitations prescribed by this Act.

This delegation of authority to the County Executive is subject to his discretion and to the extent he does not exercise such discretion pursuant to the provisions of this Act, neither such officer nor the County shall be subject to any liability.

- K. This Act replaces and supersedes in its entirety the First Bond Ordinance, which from and after the date hereof shall be of no further force or effect.
- L. In connection with the owners of at least two-thirds of the assessed valuation of the real property located within the Special Taxing District and at least two-thirds of the owners of the real property located within the Special Taxing District having petitioned the County to undertake proceedings under the Special Taxing District Act (i) to levy additional special taxes in the form of a special hotel rental tax on hotels, as described in Section 9-1301(c)(5) of Article 24 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended, located in the Special Taxing District (the

"Special Hotel Rental Tax") to be paid over to the Tax Increment Fund, and (ii) to issue special obligation bonds or special obligation refunding bonds pursuant to the Special Taxing District Act secured in part by a levy of the Special Hotel Rental Tax in order to finance or refinance all, or a portion, of the costs of the Improvements, the following amendments are hereby made to the Original Formation Resolution:

- (1) The Rate and Method of Apportionment of Special Taxes attached to the Original Formation Resolution, as the same was amended and restated by the Amended and Restated Rate and Method of Apportionment of Special Taxes attached to the First Bond Ordinance, is hereby deleted and inserted in lieu thereof is the Second Amended and Restated Rate and Method of Apportionment of Special Taxes attached hereto as Exhibit B.
- "Special Hotel Rental Tax" means the special hotel rental tax on hotels located in the Special Taxing District, as such Special Hotel Rental Tax is more particularly described herein and in CB-[__]-[___] [THIS AMENDED AND RESTATED ORDINANCE] of the County

The following definition is added to Section 1 of the Original Formation Resolution:

(3) The following definitions included in Section 1 of the Original Formation Resolution are hereby amended and restated in their entireties to read as follows:

Council of Prince George's County, Maryland.

"Hotel Taxes" means, collectively, (i) the transient occupancy taxes levied and collected in each Tax Year by the County pursuant to Division 8, Subdivision 3, Subtitle 10 of the Prince George's County Code, as amended, on hotels located in the Development District, and (ii) the Special Hotel Rental Tax.

"Special Taxes" means ad valorem or special taxes levied by the County on all real and personal property within the Special Taxing District pursuant to the Special Taxing District Act and the methodology described in Exhibit B to this Resolution (as the same may be amended and restated from time to time) to pay, if necessary, the debt service on the Bonds in an aggregate principal amount that does not exceed \$16,100,000 and to make other payments permitted under the Tax Increment Financing Act and the Special Taxing District Act; provided, however, that "Special Taxes" does not include the Special Hotel Rental Tax.

(4) The following is hereby inserted into the Original Formation Resolution as a new Section 10A thereto and immediately follows the Section 10 presently contained therein:

SECTION 10A. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, pursuant to the Special Taxing

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District Act and this Resolution, the County hereby levies and imposes the Special Hotel Rental Tax at a rate and amount of three percent (3.0%) on all gross amounts of money paid to the owners or operators of hotels located in the Special Taxing District by transient guests or tenants for renting, using or occupying a room or rooms in the hotels located in the Special Taxing District to provide for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds and to provide for replenishment of any debt service reserve fund securing the Bonds as well as for the payment of County administrative expenses, to the extent such replenishments and expenses are not otherwise provided for. The Special Hotel Rental Tax also may be levied with respect to refunding bonds issued under the Special Taxing District Act pursuant to the provisions of an ordinance or resolution enacted or adopted by the County in connection with the issuance of such refunding bonds. The Special Hotel Rental Tax is levied and imposed upon the room rental rate of all hotels within the Special Taxing District, for the purposes, to the extent and in the manner provided in this Resolution through the application of the procedures provided herein. Further, the Special Hotel Rental Tax levied and imposed by the Special Taxing District Act and this Resolution in the Special Taxing District shall take effect and be in force on the date this Resolution becomes law. The levy and imposition of the Special Hotel Rental Tax shall remain in place until all of the Bonds have been fully repaid or defeased. The Special Hotel Rental Tax described herein is in addition to the transient occupancy taxes levied and collected in each Tax Year by the County pursuant to Division 8, Subdivision 3, Subtitle 10 of the Prince George's County Code, as amended, on hotels located in the Development District. In connection with the Special Hotel Rental Tax, the Financial Officer of the County shall record among the Land Records of the County, before the Bonds are issued and at the cost of the Special Taxing District, a declaration to the effect that all hotels located in the Special Taxing District are subject to the Special Hotel Rental Tax until such time as the Financial Officer of the County records a release stating that the Special Hotel Rental Tax has been terminated.

Except to the extent modified by this Act, the Original Formation Resolution is hereby ratified and confirmed.

SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that the Bonds being authorized herein and the construction costs of the public improvements for which said Bonds are authorized and issued are not deemed to be construction, monetary contributions or procurement for purposes of Subtitle 10A of the Prince George's County Code and public improvements funded in whole or

part by said Bonds are specifically exempted from the provisions of Subtitle 10A, provided, however, that Section 10A-121 and Sections 2-247 through 2-253.05, of the Prince George's County Code shall apply.

SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that the provisions of this Act are severable, and if any provision, sentence, clause, section or part hereof is held or determined to be illegal, invalid or unconstitutional or inapplicable to any person or circumstances, such illegality, invalidity or unconstitutionality or inapplicability shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, sentences, clauses, sections or parts of this Act or their application to other persons or circumstances. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent that this Act would have been passed if such illegal, invalid, unconstitutional or inapplicable provision, sentence, clause, section or part had not been included herein, and as if the person or circumstances to which this Act or any part hereof are inapplicable had been specifically exempted herefrom.

SECTION 4. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that this Act shall take effect 45 days following the approval hereof by the County Executive.

Adopted this 14th day of November, 2017.		
	COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND	
В	Y:	
	Derrick Leon Davis Chairman	
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Redis C. Floyd Clerk of the Council	APPROVED:	
DATE: B'	Y:	
	Rushern L. Baker, III County Executive	

Exhibit A

Amended Description of Improvements

The improvements include, but are not limited to, surface demolition, demolition of existing structures, rough grading with import, sediment control and landscaping, stormwater management, storm drainage, holding area for compensatory storage, off-site improvements/bike trail/bus shelter/pavilion, wet utilities (water and sewer), unsuitable soil/soil import (flood mitigation), relocation of water main, parking garage/surface parking, construction costs related to the foregoing and such other infrastructure improvements within the Districts as may be authorized by the Acts.

Exhibit B

Second Amended and Restated Rate and Method of Apportionment