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EXHIBITION PLACE

April 19, 2004

To: The Board of Governors of Exhibition Place

From: Dianne Young
General Manager & CEO

Subject: **RCM Technologies – Safety Engineering Services with the CNEA**

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Board of Governors receive this report for information.

Background:

The attached report dated April 15, 2004 from the General Manager of the CNEA will be considered by the Board of Directors of the CNEA at its meeting of April 22, 2004. Should the recommendation outlined in subject report change, the Corporate Secretary will report any changes to the Board on April 30th.

Discussion:

Given that the proposed agreement between RCM Technologies Engineering Services Canada and the Board of Governors includes the CNEA, ratification of the recommendation was requested of the Board of Directors.

Conclusion:

This report advises the Board that the Board of Directors of the CNEA ratify being part of the agreement with RCM Technologies Engineering Services Canada.

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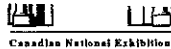
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The following report was reviewed by the Executive Committee at its meeting of April 15, 2004 and is recommended to the Board of Directors for APPROVAL.



April 15, 2004

To: The Executive and Board of Directors
Canadian National Exhibition Association

From: David Bednar
General Manager

Subject: RCM Technologies - Safety Engineering Services 2004-2006

Recommendation:

This report is submitted for the approval of the Executive Committee and the Board of Directors. It is recommended that the CNEA ratify being a part of the RCM Technologies (RCMT) agreement with Exhibition Place.

Background:

The Board of Governors of Exhibition Place will consider a report with respect to entering into a three-year agreement with RCMT on April 30, 2004 for the provision of safety engineering services for Exhibition Place. Should this recommendation change, the Corporate Secretary will report any changes to the Board of Directors.

Discussion:

The CNE has been consulted and agree with the terms and conditions set out in the proposed agreement.

As the current agreement with RCMT expires in April 2004, a request for proposal was issued by the City of Toronto Purchasing Department for Safety Engineering Services. One proposal was received from RCMT.

RCM Technologies Canada Corp. (RCMT), formerly Mu-Sigma Engineering Consultants has been providing Safety Engineering Services to the Board of Governors of Exhibition Place and the CNE on an ongoing basis since January 1987.

RCMT will provide a staff of professional engineers, certified engineering technicians and qualified junior personnel to provide Safety Engineering Services to the CNE. Specifically the Safety Engineering Services will focus on the following five areas: fire safety, structural

integrity, environmental safety, protection of the public (physical acts of others) and amusement ride safety.

RCMT staff work on as required basis during the year. During the CNE move-in, Fair period and move-out a team of RCMT staff are on site during operating hours. In 2003 Safety Engineering Services cost \$106,689. The following chart shows the rates charged in 2001-2003 and those contained in the proposal for 2004-2006 inclusive.

Title	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Senior Consulting Engineer	114.40	116.67	119.00	119.00	122.50	125.00
Project Manager / Engineer	82.40	84.05	85.73	88.30	90.00	91.80
Senior Ride Specialist	104.00	106.08	108.20	108.20	110.50	112.70
Junior Engineer	67.04	68.83	69.75	69.80	71.20	72.60
Ride Inspector / Technician	59.13	60.31	61.52	61.50	62.70	64.00

Conclusion:

It is recommended that the Board ratify being a part of the Exhibition Place Agreement with RCM Technologies.

Respectfully submitted,



David Bednar
General Manager

