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EXHIBITION PLACE

October 18, 1999

TO: The Board of Governors of Exhibition Place

FROM: Dianne Young
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SUBJECT: Safety Engineering Services

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Board enter into an Assignment of Agreement with RCM Technologies Engineering Services Canada Co. in a form and content satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

Background:

At its meeting of October 30, 1998, the Board approved of entering a one-year agreement with Mu-Sigma Engineering Consultants Co. ("MEC") to provide safety engineering services to Exhibition Place and the annual CNE event which agreement terminates at the end of March 2000.

Discussion:

A request has been received from MEC for approval of the assignment of its agreement with the Board to RCM Technologies Engineering Services Canada Co. pursuant to Section 11.1(i) of the present agreement between MEC and the Board.

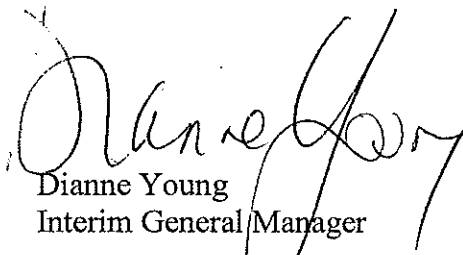
MEC was acquired in 1999 by RCM Technologies, Inc. which is an international provider of professional services focussing on information technology and engineering. RCM Technologies, Inc. established in 1971, is a publicly traded U.S. corporation with its head offices in Pennsauken, New Jersey. RCM Technologies Engineering Services Canada Co. is a subsidiary of RCM Technologies Inc. and registered to carry on business in Canada.

Mr. Geoff Davies, Senior Vice President, RCM Technologies Engineering Services Canada Co., has indicated in writing that the provision of safety engineering services to Exhibition Place will remain unaffected by this corporate change. The senior personnel managing the Board's services will remain in place as well as the support persons.

Conclusion:

The unfortunate accident during the 1999 CNE is a clear demonstration that it is important for the Board to have an outside arms-length safety consultant.

This report recommends entering into an assignment agreement with RCM Technologies Engineering Services Canada Co. on terms and conditions satisfactory to the City Solicitor for the provision of safety engineering services until the end of the agreement period being March 31, 2000.



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The foregoing report was reviewed by the Executive Committee at its meeting held on October 22, 1999 and is recommended to the Board of Governors for **APPROVAL.**