

**Resolution of the Board of Directors in Support of Carbon Capture and Storage Projects**

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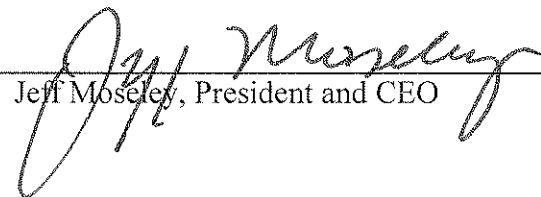
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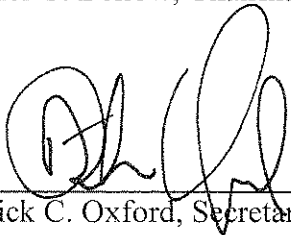
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Daniel G. Bellow, Chairman



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Jeff Moseley, President and CEO



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Patrick C. Oxford, Secretary

# MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** March 4, 2009

**TO:** Greater Houston Partnership Board of Directors

**FROM:** John D. White  
Chairman, Environmental Policy Advisory Committee

**SUBJECT:** Resolution of the Board of Directors in Support of Carbon Capture and Storage Projects

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## RECOMMENDATION

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## BACKGROUND

Carbon dioxide is primarily generated as a by-product of the combustion of fossil fuels from several sectors including electricity generation, transportation and industrial processes. Carbon dioxide can be captured at stationary sources and stored long-term to reduce emission levels to the atmosphere. Carbon capture separates carbon dioxide from other gases involved in combustion and concentrates it in a nearly pure stream suitable for transport. Carbon dioxide is then transported via pipeline, road, rail or shipped overseas and ultimately stored away from the atmosphere below ground, indefinitely.

## IMPLEMENTATION

To implement this recommendation, the Partnership would communicate its support of this resolution to the Legislature.

## RESOURCES REQUIRED

This resolution can be implemented within current budgetary constraints.