

CASELLA WASTE SYSTEMS, INC.

NOMINATIONS AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE CHARTER

A. Purpose

The purpose of the Nominations and Governance Committee is to:

- Identify individuals qualified to become Board members;
- Select the persons to be nominated by the Board for election as directors at the annual or any special meeting of stockholders;
- Develop and recommend to the Board a set of corporate governance guidelines applicable to the Company; and
- Oversee the evaluation of the Board.

B. Structure and Membership

1. Number. The Nominations and Governance Committee shall consist of such number of directors as the Board shall from time to time determine.
2. Independence. Except as otherwise permitted by the applicable rules of NASDAQ, each member of the Nominations and Governance Committee shall be “independent” as defined by such rules.
3. Chair. Unless the Board elects a Chair of the Nominations and Governance Committee, the Committee shall elect a Chair by majority vote.
4. Compensation. The compensation of Nominations and Governance Committee members shall be as determined by the Board.
5. Selection and Removal. Members of the Nominations and Governance Committee shall be appointed by the Board, upon the recommendation of the Committee. The Board may remove members of the Nominations and Governance Committee from such Committee, with or without cause.

C. Authority and Responsibilities

Board and Committee Membership

1. Selection of Director Nominees. Except where the Company is legally required by contract or otherwise to provide third parties with the ability to nominate directors, the Nominations and Governance Committee shall have sole responsibility and authority for (i) identifying individuals qualified to become

Board members and (ii) recommending to the Board the persons to be nominated by the Board for election as directors at the annual or any special meeting of stockholders. The Committee shall also have sole responsibility and authority for identifying and recommending persons to fill any vacancies on the Board.

2. Criteria for Selecting Directors. The Board's criteria for selecting directors are as set forth in the Company's Corporate Governance Guidelines. The Nominations and Governance Committee shall use such criteria and the principles set forth in such Guidelines to guide its director selection process. The Committee shall be responsible for reviewing with the Board, on an annual basis, the requisite skills and criteria for new Board members as well as the composition of the Board as a whole.
3. Search Firms. The Nominations and Governance Committee shall have the sole authority to retain and terminate any search firm to be used to identify director nominees, including sole authority to approve the search firm's fees and other retention terms. The Committee is empowered, without further action by the Board, to cause the Company to pay the compensation of any search firm engaged by the Committee.
4. Selection of Committee Members. The Nominations and Governance Committee shall have sole responsibility and authority for recommending to the Board the directors to be appointed to each committee of the Board. The Nominations and Governance Committee shall submit its determinations to the Board for consideration and approval.

Corporate Governance

5. Corporate Governance Guidelines. The Nominations and Governance Committee shall develop and recommend to the Board a set of Corporate Governance Guidelines applicable to the Company. The Committee shall, from time to time as it deems appropriate, review and reassess the adequacy of such Corporate Governance Guidelines and recommend any proposed changes to the Board for approval.

Evaluation of the Board

6. Evaluation of the Board. The Nominations and Governance Committee shall be responsible for overseeing an annual self-evaluation of the Board to determine whether it and its committees are functioning effectively. The Committee shall determine the nature of the evaluation, supervise the conduct of the evaluation and prepare an assessment of the Board's performance, to be discussed with the Board.

D. Procedures and Administration

1. Meetings. The Nominations and Governance Committee shall meet as often as it deems necessary in order to be perform its responsibilities. The Committee shall keep such records of its meetings as it shall deem appropriate.
2. Subcommittees. The Nominations and Governance Committee may form and delegate authority to one or more subcommittees (including a subcommittee consisting of a single member), as it deems appropriate from time to time under the circumstances.
3. Reports to the Board. The Nominations and Governance Committee shall report regularly to the Board.
4. Charter. The Nominations and Governance Committee shall, from time to time as it deems appropriate, review and reassess the adequacy of this Charter and recommend any proposed changes to the Board for approval.
5. Independent Advisors. The Nominations and Governance Committee shall have the authority to engage such independent legal and other advisors as it deems necessary or appropriate to carry out its responsibilities (provided however, that the Nominations and Governance Committee may not engage the independent auditor of the Company without the prior approval of the Audit Committee). Such independent advisors may be the regular advisors to the Company. The Committee is empowered, without further action by the Board, to cause the Company to pay the compensation of such advisors as established by the Committee.
6. Investigations. The Nominations and Governance Committee shall have the authority to conduct or authorize investigations into any matters within the scope of its responsibilities as it shall deem appropriate, including the authority to request any officer, employee or advisor of the Company to meet with the Committee or any advisors engaged by the Committee.
7. Annual Self-Evaluation. At least annually, the Nominations and Governance Committee shall evaluate its own performance.