## <u>Authority Mission Statement and Performance Measurements</u> <u>Annual Review Resubmittal – 10/12/2011</u>

Name of Public Authority: The Hudson River – Black River Regulating District

## Public Authority's Mission Statement:

The mission of the Hudson River-Black River Regulating District is to construct, maintain, and operate reservoirs in the upper Hudson River and Black River watershed, including the Sacandaga, Indian, Black, Moose, and Beaver River for the purpose of regulating the flow of streams or rivers, when required by public welfare, including public health and safety. Regulating reservoirs operated by the Regulating District include Great Sacandaga Lake, Indian Lake, Stillwater Reservoir, Sixth Lake, and Old Forge. Benefits derived through the successful completion of the mission include, but may not be limited to, flood protection to the public corporations (counties) and parcels of real estate (power plants) downstream of said impoundments; low flow augmentation, to provide sufficient water flow enabling downstream wastewater treatment plants to avoid increased treatment costs associated with waste discharge to lower volume rivers and enabling downstream hydroelectric plants to generate low cost hydroelectric power in the hot summer months when rates are generally highest.

**Date Adopted**: First adopted on November 5, 2007

Reaffirmed March 8, 2011 as part of the Regulating District's Annual Report

Reaffirmed October 12, 2011 pursuant to ABO request to expand Mission Statement

*List of Performance Goals*: (If additional space is needed, please attach):

**Performance Goals: Review** 

- Provide flood protection and low flow augmentation through reservoir releases at Great Sacandaga Lake,
  Indian Lake, Stillwater Reservoir, Old Forge Reservoir, and Sixth Lake Reservoir <u>Accomplished</u>
- Adhere to Upper Hudson/Sacandaga River Offer of Settlement Accomplished
- Adhere to operating plans for each reservoir Accomplished
- Provide public safety <u>Accomplished</u>
- Provide public information pertinent to the mission Accomplished
- Maintain safe facilities Accomplished
- Land management Accomplished
- Maintain sound financial status <u>Accomplished in the Black River Area. Hudson River Area funding currently pending apportionment litigation. Budget austerity measures have been instituted.</u>

## **Metric:**

- Upper Hudson/Sacandaga River Offer of Settlement
- Reservoir (target elevation) rule curves
- River flow thresholds / limits included in Offer of Settlement and operating plans
- Occurrence and extent of flooding
- Public feedback
- Safety inspections completed by professional engineering staff, FERC, and DEC
- Compliance with DEC, APA and others.....
- Annual independent audit, Public Authority Reporting compliance