

# **RMLD Board to Interview Finalists for New General Manager During Public Meeting on Wednesday, November 2**

*RMLD General Manager Search Committee Names Three Finalists; New General Manager Will Be Announced on Thursday, November 3*

**Reading, MA, October 21, 2022** – The Reading Municipal Light Department (RMLD) General Manager Search Committee recommended three finalists to the RMLD Board of Commissioners on Thursday, October 20. The RMLD Board of Commissioners will interview each of the finalists during a public meeting on Wednesday, November 2, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. and will be responsible for selecting the next RMLD General Manager. The decision will be announced by the Board during a public session on Thursday, November 3, 2022, at 5:00 p.m.

The RMLD General Manager Search Committee is chaired by RMLD Citizens' Advisory Board North Reading Representative Jason Small and includes RMLD Board of Commissioners members David Talbot and Robert Coulter.

The three finalists include:

- Jonathan Blair, who is currently the General Manager of Ipswich Electric Light Department
- Jared Carpenter, who is currently the Manager of Utilities Administration at the Port of Oakland municipal electric utility
- Gregory Phipps, who is currently RMLD's Interim General Manager and Director of Integrated Resources

The full five-person RMLD Board of Commissioners which includes Chair Marlena Bitá, Vice Chair Philip Pacino, Robert Coulter, John Stempeck, and David Talbot will interview each finalist for 50 minutes during Wednesday's meeting. The Board of Commissioners will vote on the new RMLD General Manager during Thursday's meeting. Both meetings will be open to the public and held at the Reading Municipal Light Department offices located at 230 Ash Street in Reading. The meetings will also be broadcast live on Reading Community Television.

*###Established in 1894, Reading Municipal Light Department (RMLD) is a municipal electric utility serving over 70,000 residents in the towns of Reading, North Reading, Wilmington, and Lynnfield Center. RMLD has over 30,000 meter connections within its service territory.*