



DC Water Combined Heat and Power Project

Hawkins served as owner's lead counsel to DC Water in the procurement of a new combined-heat-and-power facility on a design-build-operate-maintain basis. The project was a companion facility to DC Water's design-build THP biosolids management project. We assisted in the procurement process and drafted and negotiated the DBOM service contract, which has a term of 15 years following acceptance of the facility and includes performance guarantees associated with steam and electrical power production. The project reduced DC Water's greenhouse gas emissions by approximately 40 percent, controlled the risk of increased biosolids disposal costs, and provided a hedge against increases in future power costs.

Clients: District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority

Role: Owner's Lead Counsel

Distinction: Largest East Coast Digester Gas Bioenergy Project

Delivery Method: Design-Build-Operate-Maintain

Project Size: 15 MW

Capital Cost: \$83 Million

Contract Value: \$167 Million

Contract Term: 15 Years

Contract Counterparties : PEPCO

Awards: Grand Prize in Planning Award from the American Academy of Environmental Engineers & Scientists

Attorneys

- Eric S. Petersen
- Joseph Sullivan

Practice

- Alternative Project Delivery

Industry

- Water