

MIDDLE RIO GRANDE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

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FY' 2007-2008

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Staff Contact: Betty Sifuentes

Negotiating Committee (CEO's):

Appointed 08/28/96

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**(Negotiating Committee membership changed on February, 1998
comprised of Chief Elected Officials only)**

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(Appointed by the Board of Directors on June 26, 2002
comprised of volunteers)

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