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METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

August 13, 1993

To: Board of Directors (Engineering & Operations Committee--Action)

From: General Manager

Subject: Authorization to Enter Into an Agreement with Eastern Municipal Water District (Eastern) to Provide Under Emergency Outage conditions, untreated water and pumping capacity to a proposed Eastern pipeline, and for the subsequent treatment of that water by Metropolitan.

Report

For the purpose of enhancing the level of water service reliability in their service area, Eastern has proposed to design and construct a distribution pipeline with the capability of delivering 150 cfs of treated water from Metropolitan's Henry J. Mills Treatment Plant (Mills Plant). The proposed pipeline has been aligned such that during an emergency (e.g., an interruption of deliveries from the Santa Ana Valley Pipeline), it could be used to convey water from Lake Perris or the Colorado River Aqueduct to the Mills Plant. Eastern has proposed an agreement with Metropolitan providing for untreated water delivery from the existing Mills Pumpback Facility adjacent to Lake Perris, and for the treatment of the water at the Mills Plant. Such service would be provided only under conditions created by an outage of the existing conveyance facilities used to supply untreated water to the Mills Plant.

Eastern is currently evaluating various alignment alternatives. Under all alternatives, Eastern will finance, design, construct, operate, and maintain the proposed pipeline and will be responsible for complying with relevant environmental considerations. If Eastern's pipeline extends to the Mills Pumpback Facility, Metropolitan will deliver the water and provide pumping capacity from the existing Mills Pumpback Facility for the conveyance of untreated water through Eastern's proposed pipeline to the Mills Plant, and will charge Eastern for the water at the untreated water rate. Eastern will convey the water through the proposed pipeline to the Mills Plant and Metropolitan will receive, treat, and redeliver the treated water through Eastern's service connections at the Mills Plant. Metropolitan will charge Eastern for water treatment at a rate equal to Metropolitan's per acre-foot treatment surcharge. Distribution of the water after delivery to Eastern will be Eastern's responsibility.

Board Committee Assignment

This letter is referred for action to the Engineering and Operations Committee because of its jurisdiction with regard to water treatment and delivery pursuant to Administrative Code Section 2431 (c).

Recommendation

ENGINEERING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE FOR ACTION.

That the General Manager be authorized to enter into an agreement with Eastern, in a form approved by the General Counsel, for supplying untreated water, pumping capacity, and water treatment in conjunction with emergency operation of Eastern's proposed pipeline directly connecting Metropolitan's Mills Plant and the existing Mills Pumpback Facility adjacent to Lake Perris, substantially in accordance with the terms of this letter.


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