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To: Board of Directors

From: *for* General Manager

Submitted by: Robert J. Gomperz
Acting Director of Public Affairs

Subject: Annual Report on Organizational Memberships

RECOMMENDATION(S)

For information only.

DETAILED REPORT

The District holds membership in a number of organizations that assist it in reaching its goals and objectives. Your Board has requested a concise review of these organizations each year. The attached list includes 125 associations, institutes, foundations, and other organizations to which Metropolitan pays dues and regularly participates. Detail is provided on all such organizations where the dues or fees exceed \$500 annually. Those with lower rates, including some which have no dues, are listed at the end of the attached report. The total cost of dues for all organizations is approximately \$771,700 annually.

These are a broad spectrum of groups that assist District personnel in matters of water quality, supply, operations, construction, engineering and public affairs.

In large measure, the most important role of many of these organizations is the sharing of information among agencies with similar goals and operational criteria. Additionally, some organizations assist the District in achieving political solutions, providing input in the regulatory process and acting as a source for disseminating information and opinions of the District to other water agencies.

The attached report describes the general purpose of each of the major associations, the annual dues paid by the District and lists the person(s) involved on an ongoing basis. In some cases where the organization is of general interest and any of several District employees might participate in activities, the General Manager is shown as the District contact since the membership is institutional rather than individual. Also shown, by the use of asterisks, are those organizations in which members of your Board regularly participate. Members of your Board serve as officers and committee chairs of some of these organizations.

In addition to these organizations, which are important but may be regarded as discretionary, the District also is the major participant in the State Water Contractors, Inc. and the Six Agency Fund of the Colorado River Board which is a joint-powers agreement of government agencies

and includes membership in the Colorado River Association (Six Agency Committee.) These organizations, respectively, protect our interests in the State Water Project and the Colorado River and serve more as adjuncts to our day-to-day operations than as organizations in which we hold membership. The combined cost of these three affiliations is approximately \$908,457 annually.

For your convenience, the organizational list below has been separated into those felt to be essential and those considered beneficial. The detail for these organizations follows this Board letter.

Essential

American Compensation Association (ACA)
American Concrete Institute
American Public Power Association (APPA)
American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM)
American Water Works Association (AWWA)
American Water Works Association--California-Nevada Section
American Water Works Association Research Foundation (AWWARF)
Association of Banyan Users International (ABUI)
Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA)
Association Production Inventory and Control Society (APICS)
Association of Metropolitan Water Agencies (AMWA)
Building Industry Association of Southern California (BIA)
Building Owners and Management Association (BOMA)
California Council for Environmental and Economic Balance (CCEEB)
California Council for Environmental and Economic Balance--
 Hazardous Waste Management Project
California Council for the Social Studies
California Municipal Utilities Association (CMUA)
California Self-Insurers Association
California State Municipal Financial Officers (CSMFO)
California Urban Water Agencies (CUWA)
California Utilities Emergency Association (formerly Utility Policy Committee)
Central City Association--Executive Committee
Chlorine Institute, The
Colorado River Water Users Association (CRWUA)
Construction Specification Institute
Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA)
IMPAC
International Desalination Association (IDA)
International Facility Management Association (IFMA)
International Ozone Association (IOA)
Investment Recovery Association
Joint Powers Telecommunication Committee
Los Angeles Business Council (LABC)

Essential (cont.)

Los Angeles Compensation and Benefits Assoc. (LACABA)
Los Angeles Headquarters City Association (LAHCA)
National Association of Corrosion Engineers (NACE)
National Association of Minority Engineering Program Administrators, Inc. (NAMEPA)
National Association of Purchasing Managers
National Science Teachers Association
National Water Resources Association (NWRA) Municipal Caucus
Oracle Application User Group (OAUG)
Oracle Users Group (Los Angeles Area Chapter)
Personnel Testing Council (PTC)
Public Agency Risk Management Association (PARMA)
Public Risk and Insurance Management Association (PRIMA)
Risk and Insurance Management Society
ROLM Users Group
San Gabriel Valley Commerce and Cities Consortium
Southern California Business Association (SCBA)
Southern California Personnel Management Association (SCPMA)
Southern California Public Labor Relations Council
Southern California Water Committee (SCWC)
Telecommunications Association (TCA)
U.S. Committee on Irrigation and Drainage (USCID)
U.S. Committee on Large Dams (USCOLD)
UTC (formerly Utilities Telecommunication Council)
Valley Industry and Commerce Association (VICA)
Water Advisory Committee of Orange County
Water Education Foundation
WateReuse Association of California (WateReuse)
Western Systems Coordinating Council (WSCC)
Western Urban Water Coalition (WUWC)

Chambers of Commerce: Anaheim
Brea
Burbank
California
East Co. Regional
Glendale
Greater San Diego
Hemet
Highland
Los Angeles
Moreno Valley
Newport Harbor
Northridge
Ontario
Orange County Business Council

Chambers of Commerce (cont.):

Placentia
Rancho Bernardo
Riverside
San Fernando
San Jacinto
Sylmar
Universal-North Hollywood

Beneficial

American Association of Blacks in Energy (AABE)
American Society of Agricultural Engineers (ASAE)
American Society for Public Administration (ASPA)
American Society for Training & Development
Association of California Water Agencies-Utility Service Agency (ACWA-USA)
Association of Contingency Planners (ACP)
Association for Commuter Transportation (ACT)
Association of Image and Information Management (AIIM)
Association of Records Managers and Administrators (ARMA)
Business and Industry Council for Emergency Planning and Preparedness (BICEPP)
California Public Employers Labor Relations Association (CALPERLA)
California Science Teachers Association (CSTA)
Citizens Coordinate for Century 3
Computer Security Institute (CSI)
Data Administration Management Association (DAMA)
Help Desk Institute
Information Systems Audit and Control Association (formerly EDP Auditors Association)
Imperial Valley Vegetable Growers Association
Information Systems Security Association (ISSA)
Inland Empire Tourism Council
International Human Resources Information Management (IHRIM)
International Personnel Management Association Assessment Council (IMPAAC)
Interstate Council on Water Policy
National Council for the Social Studies
National Forum for Black Public Administrators
National Safety Council (NSC)
National Society for Performance Instruction
National Water Research Institute (NWRI)
Orange County Public Affairs Assoc.
Quality Assurance Institute
Resource Conservation District of Greater San Diego
San Diego County Farm Bureau
Society of California Archivists
Society for Human Resources Management (SHRM)
Southern California Alliance of Publicly Owned Treatment Works (SCAP)

Beneficial (cont.)

Southern California Quality Assurance Association (SCQAA)
Southern California Social Science Association
Town Hall of California
Water Agencies Association of San Diego County
Western Region Intergovernmental Personnel Assessment Council (WRIPAC)
Women in Public Affairs

BG/jc

Attachment

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**MAJOR ORGANIZATIONS IN WHICH
METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
PARTICIPATES**

Note: Annual dues are shown to the right; associations in which members of the Board of Directors participate are marked with an asterisk.

American Concrete Institute (ACI) **\$700**
Gary Snyder

Founded in 1905, the American Concrete Institute was established to provide a readily available source of information and staff assistance to its members and the engineering profession by gathering and disseminating information about the properties and application of concrete and reinforced concrete and their constituent materials. The Institute also assists in solving difficult problems relating to design, testing procedures, specification preparation, construction techniques, and maintenance of concrete products and structures. All information developed by the Institute is continually updated, providing the latest information on the most efficient concrete materials and their uses. Metropolitan has been a member for 17 years and engineers have utilized much of the data contained in the Institute's publications.

American Water Works Association (AWWA)* **\$7,400**
Ed Means

The American Water Works Association is an international organization dealing with the many aspects of procurement, treatment, and delivery of water for many and varied purposes. It is the principal association of the water industry. To provide for more active participation in Association activities, it is further divided into sections which represent smaller geographic areas. The local unit is the California-Nevada section which includes the whole of two states. A number of District employees are members of the Association and are actively involved in the activities of the Association on the international, national and section levels. The District has been a member since August 1944.

Major activities during 1997 involved regulatory coordination through numerous stakeholder groups on implementation issues related to the passage of the Safe Drinking Water Act Amendments of 1996. These include consumer confidence reporting formats, contaminant selection and source water monitoring issues. In addition, Metropolitan staff represented AWWA in the negotiation of the Disinfection By-Products/Microbial Rule cluster that culminated in the Federal Register publication of a notice of data availability in November 1997. Staff also participate in, and in some cases chair, Technical Advisory Workgroups of the Association. The final rule is expected to be promulgated in November of 1998. Ed Means represents Metropolitan on the Water Utility Council of AWWA.

**American Water Works Association
Research Foundation (AWWARF)**

\$400,000

Duane Georgeson/Mark Beuhler

The American Water Works Association Research Foundation (AWWARF) is a nonprofit corporation that was established in 1967 to promote, coordinate, and finance applied research in the operation and management of public water supply systems. Applied research topics funded by AWWARF address key problems identified by the water industry, and provide essential information for impacting the development of drinking water regulations. Metropolitan has benefited from AWWARF's program in a number of areas including the Information Collection Rule, the Disinfectants/Disinfection By-Products (D/DBP) Rule; the Enhanced Surface Water Treatment Rule; taste and odor control strategies; and detection and treatment of microbial pathogens.

American Public Power Association (APPA)

\$12,000

Robert W. Schempp/Timothy R. Cherry

PAPA is a national organization founded in 1940 which is comprised of municipal electric utilities, public utility districts, public power districts, state authorities, joint action agencies and other consumer-owned electric utilities. PAPA primarily monitors and analyzes federal activities and alerts its members to pending federal legislation and regulations. It also develops consensus positions on national issues and provides information and resources as needed. APPA has a strong continuing education program which is essential to keeping up with trends, industry restructuring, technical changes, and the new opportunities that will put Metropolitan in the forefront of the industry. APPA will be a critical agency while moving forward with the federal legislation restructuring the electric utility industry.

APPA has provided Metropolitan with additional information resources during the year and has alerted staff to specific items which have had a direct impact on Metropolitan's operations. Included in the above-mentioned cost is support for APPA's Power Marketing Administration (PMA) Ad Hoc Task Force which will continue to provide Metropolitan staff timely information and analysis on proposed Congressional and Presidential actions which could impact Metropolitan's power resources from Hoover and Parker power plants. The Task Force also provided a forum to develop alternatives and seek remedies to PMA issues. During the 104th Congress, APPA was instrumental in stopping the auction of the PMAs. Metropolitan's staff participated in this year's annual conference, ad hoc committee meetings, and the legislative rally.

Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA)*

\$18,335¹

John Wodraska

ACWA is the largest and oldest coalition of public water agencies in the state with principle concerns in the development, conservation, distribution and control of water both municipally and agriculturally. ACWA provides a forum for the exchange and dissemination of information and knowledge, to support or oppose proposed legislation affecting its concerns and proactively

respond to legislation and regulations at both the federal and state level. The District's legislative offices in both Sacramento and Washington work closely with the ACWA staff. The District joined ACWA in March 1954.

District Board members and staff serve on many of the ACWA committees which have implemented a number of changes over the years. Five MWD directors are past presidents of ACWA. The Association has become a leader in water quality issues, impacting both state and federal water quality regulations. ACWA, playing a key role in the public affairs and communications arena, has organized the California Water Clearinghouse. This informal coalition of the state's leading water associations and agencies is dedicated to educating the public about Delta issues and the CALFED process.

During 1996 ACWA achieved all but one of its major legislative objectives for the year. Despite broad bipartisan support in both houses of the Legislature, AB 2797 (Aguiar), a bill to return property tax revenues to local government, was vetoed by the Governor. The Association played a significant role in negotiations on SB 900 (Costa), the Safe, Clean, Reliable Water Supply Act of 1996, which ultimately gained voter approval as Proposition 204 on the November 1996 ballot. In addition, ACWA represented water agencies in negotiations on SB 1307 (Calderon), a bill which changed state drinking water laws to bring them more closely into line with federal law.

¹Less \$8,642.08 for Deposit on Dues Program and Interest on Deposit

**Association of California Water Agencies-
Utility Service Agency (ACWA-USA)**

No annual dues, possibility
for assessments

Robert W. Schempp/Jay W. Malinowski/Albert H. Cheng

Metropolitan became a member of the ACWA-USA on December 28, 1996, although Metropolitan has been a member of its lead organization, ACWA, since March 1954. ACWA established the joint powers authority, ACWA-USA, on December 8, 1995 to serve as an umbrella organization to provide utility services to other ACWA-USA members including electricity, energy efficiency, natural gas and telecommunications. Water agencies, such as Metropolitan and several member agencies who have joined ACWA-USA, have the ability to contract for full-service retail electricity beginning in January 1998. The objective of ACWA-USA is to save millions of dollars annually in utility costs for its member water agencies..

During the year, staff has attended ACWA-USA board meetings and ACWA Energy and Hydroelectric committee meetings which summarized ACWA-USA's responsiveness and proactive involvement in the deregulation of the electric industry in the State. On September 11, 1997, ACWA-USA approved an agreement with New Energy Ventures (NEV) to provide full-service retail electricity beginning in January 1998. Following that date, any ACWA-USA members will have a choice to either remain with their current electricity supplier or contract with the NEV to provide full retail electric services. This is the first and largest coalition of water agencies to join together for the purpose of purchasing and selling electricity.

Association of Metropolitan Water Agencies (AMWA) **\$12,320**
John Wodraska and Ed Means

Formed in 1981, AMWA is composed of metropolitan, county, or city agencies serving a population of greater than 100,000 people. Its primary goals are to encourage the establishment of environmentally safe and cost-effective drinking water policies by the Congress and federal agencies; encourage sound policies related to water treatment regulations; exchange scientific and technical information; and provide information to the public concerning the reliable provision of safe water.

1997 activities included extensive leadership in representing the water utility associations' position in Disinfection By-Products/Microbial Rule cluster. In addition, the Association was active in numerous Safe Drinking Water Act implementation issues, and on utility competitiveness matters.

Building Industry Association of Southern California (BIA) **\$735**
Ray Corley

The BIA is an advocacy organization whose membership includes builders, contractors, remodelers and land developers. They also advocate on behalf of subcontractors and suppliers. The BIA provides its membership with assistance at the municipal and county level on issues that affect the building industry. Services include free legal consultation regarding industry related matters, governmental and legislative updates, insurance programs and a wide variety of educational programs. Membership in the BIA enables Metropolitan to involve the building industry in Metropolitan's advocacy efforts statewide to ensure regional water reliability.

Building Owners and Managers Association (BOMA) **\$971**
Kaye Marchal

With Metropolitan soon to be the owner of its own building, it is essential for the District to become more knowledgeable and stay current on the myriad issues challenging building owners. One of the best resources available to building owners is the Building Owners and Managers Association (BOMA). BOMA was created in 1907 and has over 16,000 members. Through membership in BOMA, Metropolitan facilities management staff can take appropriate, specialized courses to make them more effective and efficient employees. Additionally, BOMA provides its members with updates on technological advances, legislative issues, and other information critical to managing a building.

California Council for Environmental and Economic Balance (CCEEB) **\$2,500**
John Wodraska

Membership consists of business, labor and public leaders working together, including virtually every major industry sector, organized labor, and key public and civic organizations. CCEEB is

concerned with developing programs to balance environmental and economic issues with regard to air pollution, hazardous material and waste management and comprehensive fiscal and governance reform. The District joined CCEEB in April 1977. The General Manager represents the District in CCEEB general membership activities.

CCEEB projects provide the tools which allow CCEEB members to actively shape public policy decisions. From 1994 to 1996 the District was a member of the California Prosperity Through Reform Project (Project CPR) while the Project developed proposed solutions for the state's fiscal and governance problems. CCEEB's Hazardous Waste Management Project provides a forum for the review of existing regulations and pending legislation pertaining to hazardous materials and waste. The District's Environmental Compliance Division continues to participate in the Hazards Project. General CCEEB membership is required to participate in a CCEEB Project.

CCEEB Hazardous Materials and Waste Project

\$18,500**

John Clark

This project provides a forum for the review of existing regulations and pending legislation regarding hazardous materials and hazardous waste. The goal of the project is to provide leadership and guidance on complex technical policy issues to develop sensible, effective, and equitable public policy. The project strives for the optimum balance of achievable environmental objectives with the economic realities of available resources, practicality and feasibility.

During 1997, CCEEB was successful in promoting legislation to improve administration of the state law governing hazardous material inventory reporting and on-site accidental release response planning by adopting consistent reporting cycles and exempting certain remote facilities from plan requirements. CCEEB also participated in the Department of Toxic Substances Control Regulatory Structure Update and fee reform efforts and was useful for monitoring potentially significant issues.

**Note dues increase of \$3,500 from last year.

California Municipal

Utilities Association (CMUA)*

\$35,297

John Wodraska and Ray Corley

CMUA has represented publicly-owned water, gas and electric utilities throughout California since 1933 and is the only association which combines these important utility services. CMUA is also the only lobbying association which concentrates on urban water issues to the exclusion of agricultural issues. The three irrigation districts represented by CMUA only pay dues as electric utilities and do not ask the association to cover agricultural water issues. Metropolitan joined CMUA in September 1946. The District's Sacramento office works closely with CMUA staff. CMUA dues have not increased over the last four years.

Throughout 1996 CMUA was a primary advocate for municipal power providers during deliberations on the legislative package to restructure the electric utility industry in California. CMUA assisted Metropolitan in convincing participants in the WEPEX process of the value of creating a distinct voice for governmental entities with unique circumstances, such as Metropolitan. CMUA continues to work with Metropolitan and the other unique governmental entities to ensure that the Boards for the Independent System Operator (ISO) and Power Exchange (PX) include a separate category for governmental entities that manage power systems which support major water development systems, wholesale end uses and the sale of power through the federal Power Marketing Administration.

California Self-Insurers Association

\$750

Nancie Rogers

This trade association was founded in 1929 and acts as an advocate and information distribution vehicle regarding Workers' Compensation legislation affecting its 350 members. Membership is limited to public and private employers who legally self-insure for Workers' Compensation liability, third-party administrators, health groups and attorneys specializing in Workers' Compensation defense cases. It has been instrumental in bringing about reform of the Workers' Compensation laws.

California Urban Water Agencies (CUWA)

\$50,000

John Wodraska

This nonprofit association is comprised of the 11 largest urban water agencies in the state, both wholesale and retail, which service primarily municipal and industrial water in Northern and Southern California. These agencies share a common goal of providing safe and reliable water supplies to more than 20 million consumers in California.

At the top of the 1996 agenda was the Bay-Delta Accord and continuing efforts to assist in the Cal-FED process. Of particular interest are ongoing assessments regarding the most efficient manner in which to improve water quality and the habitat in the Bay-Delta in order to increase the amount of water available to the State Water Project's contractors in a manner consistent with environmental protection. CUWA has also been a valuable forum for discussions regarding water marketing and has assisted in distributing information regarding Senator Costa's SB 900.

California Utilities Emergency Association

\$2,486

Ed Means

Major gas, electric, water and telecommunications utilities in California are members of the California Utilities Emergency Association. This association, formerly called the Utility Policy Committee, was formed as a Joint Powers Authority in 1953 to provide coordination between the utilities and the state during a major disaster. Membership dues allows the association to staff and finance the Utilities Division of the State Office of Emergency Services (OES). During a major disaster, the state OES assists local government in dispatching emergency resources to the disaster site. This division ensures that during a major disaster, each utility will manage its own

affairs in coordination with the state OES. Major utility participants include Southern California Edison, Pacific Gas and Electric, GTE, San Diego Gas and Electric, The Gas Company, MCI, Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, East Bay Municipal Utilities District and Sacramento Municipal Utilities District. (Metropolitan and the latter three public utilities represent the original founding members.) Metropolitan staff member, Ed Means, relinquished the chairmanship of the Executive Committee of CUEA in July 1997 incorporated as a non-profit in 1997.

Central City Association--Executive Committee

\$12,000

Gilbert Ivey/Jacquelyn McMillan

Central City Association, founded in 1924, is primarily an advocate for the downtown Los Angeles business community. With a membership of 300 of Southern California's major organizations, the association's interests encompass a variety of issues of regional, statewide, national and international concerns.

Central City Association provides research and informational services, maintains close liaison with various governmental agencies, and is actively involved in the legislative process. The association has identified water supply as crucial to maintaining and improving Los Angeles' and Southern California's economy. The Association has supported the District on major state water legislation. They also have established a special committee dealing with utility matters on which the District is a member.

Recently, the Governmental Relations Committee of this organization has taken a proactive role in furthering the development of issues surrounding the importance of water policy and resource management as a necessary part of economic development for the City of Los Angeles.

The Chlorine Institute

\$600

Jeffrey T. DeZellar

The Chlorine Institute, Inc. is a trade association of companies and other entities that are involved or interested in the safe production, distribution and use of chlorine.

The mission of the Chlorine Institute is to support the chlor-alkali industry and users of chlorine, and to serve the public by fostering the continuous evaluation of, and improvements to, safety and the protection of human health and the environment connected with the production, distribution and use of chlorine, sodium hydroxide, and chlorine-based chemicals. The Institute meets this obligation by maintaining a scientific and technical organization that fully meets its members' and publics' needs and expectations for safe production and use of chlorine. The Institute also works with governmental agencies to encourage the use of credible science and technology in developing regulations impacting the industry.

The District has been a member of the Chlorine Institute since 1991, and is an active member of the Storage and Transport, and Environmental and Health Committees. Our involvement has

clearly furthered the optimization of design, operation and emergency preparedness for chlorine systems.

In 1997, the District received valuable input from the Chlorine Institute in the areas of chlorine risk, management and chlorine transportation.

Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) **\$540**
Bert Becker/Antoinette Christovale/ David I. Furukawa

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada represents approximately 12,800 individuals working in the field of public finance. GFOA's goal is to serve the government finance professional by providing education and information, developing new technology, representing the state and local finance officers' positions before legislative and regulatory bodies, and establishing standards of excellence and avenue of networking.

International Desalination Association (IDA) **\$675**
Gary Snyder

Founded in 1985, the International Desalination Association (IDA) is a non-profit organization dedicated to the goal of developing and promoting the appropriate use of desalination and desalination technology world-wide in water supply, water reuse, water pollution control, water purification, and water treatment. Information is exchanged and disseminated through publications, meetings, seminars, and exhibitions. The objective of the Association is to carry out its goals by: encouraging research, development, and appropriate utilization of desalination, desalination technology, and water reuse; serving as a public forum to provide information on related subjects; encouraging and promoting the establishment of standards, specifications, and procedures; cooperating and communicating with national and international governmental, institutional, and private agencies in matters relating to desalination; encouraging and promoting efficient use of energy for water; and promoting operator training and certification. Membership consists of end-users, suppliers of equipment, Architectural and Engineering firms/Consultants, academia, research centers, and the interested general public, including student members. This membership represents a broad cross-section of experience in brackish water, seawater, and water reuse. Affiliate organizations, world-wide, include:

- American Desalination Association
- Water Science and Technology Association
- Indian Desalination Association
- Pakistan Desalination Association
- Chinese Desalination & Water Reuse Society
- Japanese Desalination Association

The organization conducts world conferences on technical, academic, and commercial development of the desalination industry. Periodic workshops, seminars, quarterly journals, and bi-monthly magazines provide additional information.

Los Angeles Business Council (LABC)

\$1,300

Jacquelyn McMillan

The LABC is a nonprofit association composed of business and political leaders from the west side communities of Los Angeles. Through LABC, the District expands its efforts to reach local and state elected officials representing the west side area and maintains contact with the business community in this area. Membership and participation in this organization assists the District to inform the business community regarding the critical importance of water issues to healthy business environment. Membership in this organization also elevates the LABC's interest in water issues with an eventual goal of forming a water task force similar to that of the Greater Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce and becoming a full-fledged advocate of water reliability for Southern California. LABC's interests include regional issues such as water, traffic, solid waste, growth, and other matters that impact the quality of life. Metropolitan has been a member since 1989.

National Safety Council (NSC)

\$550

David Phillips

This is a broad-based organization which provides safety training courses, film library, training films, safety posters, and other related safety materials. The District also participates in the various safety contests conducted by the Los Angeles Chapter of the NSC. The District has been a member for over 15 years.

The professional safety training curriculum has been expanded to include current regulatory changes and additions, and a service to address technical problems.

National Water Research Institute (NWRI)

\$50,000

Ed Means

The NWRI was established in 1991 to facilitate, coordinate and support water and water-related research of both a basic and applied nature. These efforts are achieved through joint venture partnerships. Since inception the NWRI has provided funding of over \$15 million of research through over 100 projects. The single largest contributor has been the Joan Irvine Smith and Athalie R. Clarke Foundation. Metropolitan contributed to the NWRI in 1997 and joins the San Juan Basin Authority, County Sanitation Districts of Orange County, Municipal Water District of Orange County, Orange County Water District and Irvine Ranch Water District on the NWRI governing board. Membership in the NWRI allows Metropolitan to leverage its research interests and track activities in the water research arena.

San Gabriel Valley Commerce and Cities Consortium

\$5,000

Nona Edelen

The Consortium's mission is to help the San Gabriel Valley region's business community and local governments attract and retain business and economic development. Since its creation in 1990, the Consortium has initiated special programs to facilitate the siting and operation of

businesses in the Valley. This organization also supports public/private partnerships that provide professional education, training and technical assistance to students and employees.

Current members include mayors, city councilmembers and city managers from eighteen cities, utilities, community colleges, eight chambers of commerce, local media, financial institutions, health care and transportation providers. Metropolitan was invited to join the Consortium because its members wanted a better understanding of water supply and water quality issues. The availability of water is important to the expansion of existing enterprises and the creation of new business.

Metropolitan's membership was effective September 1997. The District is a voting member of the Environment and Infrastructure Policy Committee and the Board of Directors. Water is one of the Policy Committee's 1998 priority issues.

**Southern California Alliance of
Publicly Owned Treatment Works (SCAP)**

\$2,000

Mark Beuhler

The Southern California Alliance of Publicly Owned Treatment Works (SCAP) was created in July 1992. It is an association of cities, special districts and other public agencies formed to concentrate their resources to ensure the passage of reasonable local, state and federal regulations and legislation impacting publicly-owned treatment works (POTWs). Its primary goals are to proactively work together to influence regulations and legislation impacting POTWs, in order to seek a balance between protection of the environment and the economic viability of communities impacted by the regulations or legislation.

Comprised of Southern California public agencies primarily engaged in the collection, treatment, disposal, recycling or reuse of wastewater and its residuals, the membership also is open to drinking water agencies. Many of SCAP's members serve as water and wastewater agencies for the communities they serve, and several members are member and subagencies of Metropolitan.

Southern California Water Committee (SCWC)*

\$2,500

John Wodraska, F. Wiley Horne

The Southern California Water Committee was formed to pursue a reliable, affordable, high-quality water supply for Southern California. It was incorporated in 1984 with Metropolitan as one of the charter agencies and promotes public awareness of water issues affecting Southern California through conferences, committees and forums. Members of the Water Committee are drawn from various sectors of business, agriculture, government and water interests.

During the past year SCWC followed the proceedings of and provided testimony at hearings conducted by the CALFED Bay-Delta Program, California Department of Water Resources Public Advisory Committee for Bulletin 160.98, and the Assembly and California State Senate Committees on water issues. Three advisory task forces were established to evaluate water supply issues for Southern California and 54 legislators were briefed on SCWC policies by 10

business sector trustees. Additionally, SCWC's quarterly *UPDATE* newsletter provided viewpoints, perspectives, and current reports on California water issues to a readership of 2,500 organizations. A slide presentation addressing relevant water supply and demand issues at the state, regional, and county level, specific to six urban Southern California counties was produced, and a Speakers' Committee organized.

Telecommunications Association (TCA)

\$600

Rahim Parvaresh

The Telecommunications Association is a nonprofit organization formed to promote awareness in the field of telecommunications. TCA has a corporate office and 11 chapters, 6 of which are located outside California. TCA membership is comprised of 15,000 members representing all industries using telecommunications.

TCA is a collective voice in regulatory matters before the California Public Utilities Commission. The annual TCA trade show in San Diego allows MWD communications staff to view new telecommunications products and services.

UTC

\$4,000

Jose Sanchez

The Utilities Telecommunication Council (UTC) is a nonprofit organization directly supported by electric, gas, and water utilities. UTC represents over 2,100 utility organizations before various state and federal regulatory agencies. The organization's purpose is to protect and lobby these regulatory agencies on behalf of the member utilities as well as act as the coordinating authority for its members' radio frequency assignments.

Valley Industry and Commerce Association (VICA)

\$2,875

Jacquelyn McMillan

The Valley Industry and Commerce Association is a 360-member nonprofit corporation representing more than 250,000 employees in the greater San Fernando Valley and surrounding communities. VICA develops or supports policy positions on regional issues through member-active committees. Metropolitan is represented on the Water Committee.

Since 1985, VICA has provided Metropolitan with a forum in which to discuss water issues. VICA has actively supported Metropolitan in publicizing the need for water conservation and state and federal legislation favorable to Metropolitan. VICA's political and commercial leadership has been invaluable during Bay-Delta hearings, Colorado River Reliability Plus Program, and other environmental legislative issues.

Water Education Foundation

\$7,994

John Wodraska and Sal Vazquez

The mission of the nonprofit Water Education Foundation is to develop and implement education programs leading to a broader understanding of water issues and to the resolution of water problems. WEF publishes a bimonthly magazine, Western Water, as well as the Layperson's Guide series; water maps of the state of California and the Colorado River; educational programs for students at most grade levels, and hosts tours of water-significant areas of the state. WEF also sponsors yearly media workshops and executive briefings and in 1995 participated as the lead agency in a well-received water exhibit at reception done in conjunction with the Secretary of State. Metropolitan joined WEF in 1978.

WateReuse Association of California (WateReuse)*

\$1,450

Andrew Sienkiewich

The objectives of WateReuse are to promote recycled water as a supplemental water supply for the state; to work for the adoption of legislation and regulations that increase the safe use of reclaimed water; to facilitate the development of technology aimed at improving water reclamation; to promote legislation that would increase the amount of funding available for water reclamation projects; and to increase public understanding of all associated water problems and solutions.

Key accomplishments during the past year attributable to the WateReuse Association included initiation of research into agricultural applications of recycled water by the newly established University of California Water Reuse Research Program. Through the companion WateReuse Foundation over \$80,000 was raised to support the research program. The WateReuse Legislative Committee was instrumental in passage of four California bills leading to expansion of recycled water use for toilet flushing, certification of recycled water plant operators, master permits for recycled water projects, and regulatory relief for minor spills of recycled water. The WateReuse Agricultural Committee conducted an extensive outreach effort to encourage the food processing industry to use crops irrigated by recycled water. A WateReuse delegation has also been meeting regularly with State Water Resources Control Board staff to find ways to streamline the application and approval process for State low-interest loans used to finance recycling projects.

Additionally, WateReuse has sponsored several conferences and workshops during the past year to exchange information and ideas between members and others concerned with water recycling; and WateReuse's publications are an effective tool in communicating with members, policymakers, the media and the public about water recycling issues.

Western Systems Coordinating Council (WSCC)

\$72,000

Robert W. Schempp/Ann Finley/Hamid E. Esfahani

The WSCC was organized in 1967 to promote reliability and adequacy of bulk power supply through coordinated operation and planning and is now comprised of organizations from the

Western United States, Canada and Mexico. It is one of nine regional reliability councils covering all of the contiguous United States and parts of Canada and Mexico. Metropolitan operates a high-voltage, bulk power transmission system that forms a part of the WSCC interconnected power grid. By having a representative on the council and a member on each of its standing committees--Planning Coordination, Operations, Public Affairs, and Environmental--Metropolitan is apprised of current trends and developments in the fields of electric generation, transmission, and legislation as they apply to Metropolitan's power system. Metropolitan has been a member of WSCC since its inception.

During the past year, Metropolitan's staff attended the planning, operating and executive committee meetings. WSCC's committees and various technical work groups continued to be very active in providing planning and operating criteria and studies to its members in promoting electrical system reliability. Because of two major electric system disturbances which occurred in 1996, WSCC has intensified measures to mitigate any reoccurrence of disturbances and ensure reliability throughout the Western United States. Specific actions included in the above-mentioned cost include the active monitoring of system conditions on a real-time basis to observe and mitigate potential reliability problems and react to system emergencies, mitigate loop flow problems, and institute mandatory reliability standards. WSCC must adhere to the electric industry orders released by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. Therefore, WSCC is responding to the restructuring of the electric utility industry by maintaining a distinct balance between reliability and the economics of competition.

Western Urban Water Coalition (WUWC)

\$10,000

John Wodraska

Established June 30, 1992 by 21 major municipal water suppliers in the western United States, the Western Urban Water Coalition agencies serve over 35 million people in 6 states. California urban areas have previously been represented in this organization by the California Urban Water Agencies, of which Metropolitan is a member.

During the year, the Western Urban Water Coalition has successfully maintained a unity of interests and activism among large and diverse municipal water utilities in the West, including major urban utilities from the Upper and Lower Basins of the Colorado River, Northern and Southern California and the Pacific Northwest.

Chambers of Commerce*

various (see below)

Individual staff members belong to chambers of commerce, generally near their residences, when and where such membership offers some advantage to the District. In some cases, District employees serve on committees of chambers of commerce and help focus attention on water supply and water quality issues. The District also is a member of the Greater Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce which provides access to business leaders and allows the District to assist

with the activities of the Southern California Water Conference--a sub-group of this chamber. Various chambers have cited water supply and drought as primary issues in the current year.

Anaheim	Norma Arias-Lee	\$ 403
Brea	Norma Arias-Lee	110
Burbank	Jacquelyn McMillan	550
California	Board Chairman	8,000
East Co. Regional	Annette Hubbell	195
Glendale	Jacquelyn McMillan	220
Greater San Diego	Annette Hubbell	364.50
Hemet	Tim Skrove	300
Highland	Tim Skrove	250
Los Angeles	John Wodraska	5,208
Moreno Valley	Tim Skrove	125
Newport Harbor	Norma Arias-Lee	440
Northridge	Jacquelyn McMillan	130
Ontario	Tim Skrove	275
Orange County Bs. Council	Norma Arias-Lee	500
Placentia	Norma Arias-Lee	300
Rancho Bernardo	Annette Hubbell	234
Riverside	Tim Skrove	250
San Fernando	Jacquelyn McMillan	435
San Jacinto	Tim Skrove	120
Sylmar	Jacquelyn McMillan	360
Universal-North Hollywood	Jacquelyn McMillan	275

Organizations with annual dues of \$500 or less

American Association of Blacks In Energy (AABE)	Gilbert Ivey	\$ 100
American Compensation Association	Lynn Kelemen	145
American Society of Agricultural Engineers (ASAE)	Fadi Kamand	101
American Society for Public Administration (ASPA)	Steve Duncan	150
American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM)	Ron Brown	350
American Society for Training & Development	Dianne Felton	150

American Water Works Assoc. - California-Nevada Section	Paul Jones	80
Association of Banyan Users International (ABUI)	Catherine Chavez	450
Association of Contingency Planners (ACP)	Nancy Kavin/Frederick Gervais	100
Association of Image and Information Management (AIIM)	Rita Mendoza	140
Association Production and Inventory Control Society (APICS)	Robin Hanks/Rod Bissell/Mark Elderkin/Mark Jordan	110
Association of Records Managers and Administrators (ARMA)	Rita Mendoza/Luis Sierra	260
Association for Commuter Transportation (ACT)	Cathy Rosales	250
Business and Industry Council for Emergency Planning and Preparedness (BICEPP)	Katy Gibson	250
California Council for the Social Studies	Education Programs Staff (4 @ \$35)	140
California Public Employers Labor Relations Association (CALPERA)	Izetta Birch	350
California Science Teachers Association (CSTA)	Russ Donnelly	100
California State Municipal Financial Officers (CSMFO)	Roger Marumoto	60
Citizens Coordinate for Century 3	Annette Hubbell	250
Colorado River Water Users Association (CRWUA)	Jay Malinowski	100
Computer Security Institute (CSI)	Bernice Manning	395

Construction Specification Institute	Ron Brown	230
Data Administration Management Association (DAMA)	Karla Sommerville/Teri Bishop	150
Help Desk Institute	Tamme Benzing National \$350/Local \$100	450
IMPAC	Roger Marumoto	50
Imperial Valley Vegetables Growers Association	Kirk Dimmitt	250
Information Systems Security Association (ISSA)	Bernice Manning	80
Inland Empire Tourism Council	Tim Skrove	250
International Facility Management Association (IFMA)	Kaye Marchal/Tom Sanchez	150
International Ozone Assoc. (IOA)	Jill Gramith	360
International Personnel Management Association Assessment Council (IMPAAC)	Izetta Birch/Jade Kuan	165
Interstate Council on Water Policy	John Wodraska	500
International Human Resources Information Management (IHRIM)	Izetta Birch	160
Investment Recovery Association	Robin Hanks	300
Joint Powers Telecommunication Committee	James Huffaker	No Dues
Los Angeles Compensation and Benefits Assoc. (LACABA)	Beverly Linderman	45
Los Angeles Headquarters City Association (LAHCA)	Jacquelyn McMillan	385
National Association of Corrosion Engineers (NACE)	Leonard Grasha	325

National Association of Minority Engineering Program Administrators (NAMEPA)	Tom Spencer/Arlene Kokuga-Schroeder	200
National Association of Purchasing Managers	Clarence Simmons/Cynthia Moore/James Cullen/Mark Manning	200
National Council for the Social Studies	Russ Donnelly	65
National Forum for Black Public Administrators	Gilbert Ivey	150
National Science Teachers Association	Russ Donnelly/Margie Lannom	110 (2 @ 55)
National Society for Performance Instruction	Kathy LaMarr-Bines	150
National Water Resources Association (NWRA) Municipal Caucus	John Wodraska/ Mark Beuhler	350
Oracle Application User Group (OAUG)	Dorothy Okoye	250
Oracle Users Group (Los Angeles Area Chapter)	Jose Sanchez	475
Orange County Public Affairs Assoc.	Norma Arias-Lee	30
Personnel Testing Council (PTC)	Human Resources (6 staff members @ \$40)	240
Public Agency Risk Management Association (PARMA)	Barbara Anderson	150
Public Risk and Insurance Management Association (PRIMA)	Barbara Anderson	300
Quality Assurance Institute	Eliot Bean	295
Resource Conservation District of Greater San Diego County	Annette Hubbell	No Dues

Risk and Insurance Management Society	Antoinette Christovale/Barbara Anderson	375
Rolm Users Group	Christine Meyers	175
San Diego County Farm Bureau	Annette Hubbell	50
Society of California Achivists (SCA)	Rita Mendoza/LuisSierra	40
Society for Human Resources Management (SHRM)	Steve Duncan	150
Southern California Business Association (SCBA)	Ray Corley	450
Southern California Personnel Management Association (SCPMA)	Beverly Linderman/ Bill Richards (2 @ \$40)	80
Southern California Public Labor Relations Council	Izetta E. Birch/ Stephen Green	350
Southern California Quality Assurance Association (SCQAA)	Eliot Bean	No dues
Southern California Social Science Association	Russ Donnelly	35
Town Hall of California	John Wodraska/ Salvador Vazquez	150
U.S. Committee on Irrigation and Drainage (USCID)	John Wodraska/ Kirk Dimmitt	500
U.S. Committee on Large Dams (USCOLD)	Gary Snyder	450
Water Advisory Committee of Orange County	Norma Arias-Lee	100
Water Agencies Association of San Diego County	Annette Hubbell	50

**Western Region Intergovernmental
Personnel Assessment Council
(WRIPAC)**

Jade Kuan

225

Women in Public Affairs

Jacquelyn McMillan

50