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METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

June 1, 1993

To: Board of Directors (Engineering and Operations Committee--Action)
(Organization and Personnel Committee--Action)

From: General Manager

Subject: Security and Protective Services Contract Renewal

Report

On May 6, 1992, the District awarded a contract to Pedus Security Services in the amount of \$2.5 million to provide security at key District facilities for a period of 11 months beginning August 1, 1992 and ending June 30, 1993.

The contract with Pedus provides for four, 12-month extensions at the District's option. During the contract period, Pedus has performed satisfactorily and has been especially responsive in providing additional security, when necessary, for special purposes such as at construction sites and additional field and office locations. The extension of this contract for one year will permit Metropolitan to maintain current security levels which now include the expansion of service during the past eight months at Cal-Plaza, the Chemical Unloading Facility, Etiwanda Power Plant and Reservoir, and Domenigoni Valley. With the additional services noted, the actual cost is estimated at \$2.8 million through June 30, 1993.

Pedus's initial services for the current contract included fixed-post and mobile-patrol security guard services at Los Angeles Headquarters; the Pasadena, Commerce, and San Dimas buildings; and the La Verne, Orange County, Lake Mathews, Valley, and Lake Skinner Branches. Domenigoni Valley for the Eastside Reservoir is also covered. Services at the Pasadena building have been discontinued.

The District is billed by Pedus for actual services rendered on an hourly basis. The lead supervisor is billed at \$22.77 per hour, and the lowest ranking security officer is billed at \$15.03 per hour. These rates are competitive with other security firms and are lower than the cost of hiring internal security.

The annual cost of this contract extension is anticipated to be approximately \$2.9 million. However, should

your Board decide to vacate Los Angeles Headquarters, or any other facilities, the annual cost would be less. For instance, vacating Los Angeles Headquarters by August 1, 1993 would save approximately \$285,000. The services covered by this extension would be paid from the 1993/94 Budget Appropriation (pending approval of the appropriation by your Board in June 1993).

Pedus Services is an equal opportunity employer and a copy of its affirmative action plan is on file with Metropolitan.

The proposed action is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act because it does not have the potential to cause a significant effect on the environment.

Board Committee Assignments

This letter is referred for action to:

The Engineering and Operations Committee because of its authority to study, advise, and make recommendations with regard to the operation, protection, and maintenance of the plants and facilities required for the production, exchange, sale, storage, treatment, and delivery of water and power and for the storage and treatment of water pursuant to Administrative Code Section 2431(c).

The Organization and Personnel Committee because of its authority to make recommendations on the terms and conditions of employment for professional services pursuant to Administrative Code Section 2471(g).

Recommendation

ENGINEERING AND OPERATIONS AND ORGANIZATION AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEES FOR ACTION.

It is recommended that the Board approve renewal of its contract for security and protective services with Pedus Security Services, in an amount estimated at \$2.9 million for a term of 12 months beginning July 1, 1993, and ending June 30, 1994, with the option to renew up to 36 months on a fiscal year-to-year basis.


for General Manager