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METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

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November 22, 1993

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

From: General Manager

Subject: Purchase of Lands and Facilities from Eastern Municipal Water District for the Domenigoni Valley Reservoir Project

Report

Eastern Municipal Water District (EMWD) owns a number of water distribution facilities including a major transmission pipeline, various distribution lines, a storage tank, pumping station, and appurtenances as well as the lands and easements associated with these facilities all of which lie within the Domenigoni Valley Reservoir Project (Project) site. The Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) states that major transmission pipelines will be relocated in order to construct the Project. However, in lieu of Metropolitan reconstructing impacted facilities, EMWD has requested that Metropolitan purchase these facilities. EMWD will continue to operate and maintain the system to deliver water to remaining non-Metropolitan customers in the valley until all residential and business relocations are complete in late-1994. EMWD will reconstruct facilities outside of the project area as required, to meet their regional distribution needs.

The existing facilities will be used for construction water delivery during the six-year reservoir construction period and then removed or abandoned. Construction of the San Diego Canal relocation has also required an interim cut in EMWD mainline distribution facilities within the valley. Related distribution system modifications costing \$17,000 required to maintain EMWD deliveries to one customer will be reimbursed by Metropolitan in addition to the cost of the other facilities and land to be acquired.

The facilities to be acquired include approximately 46,000 feet of pipelines from 8 to 24 inch diameter, various pipe fittings, 15 valves from 2 to 20 inches diameter, 4 fire hydrants, a 100,000 gallon steel storage tank, a small booster pumping station, and a parcel of land totalling .23 acres. As a part of the transaction, EMWD will vacate the easements it currently holds within the Project area. There is no cost to Metropolitan for vacating the easements currently held by EMWD.

Negotiations have been completed between EMWD and Metropolitan for the purchase of the subject lands and facilities for a price not to exceed \$2,196,935. This price is based upon a land appraisal and facility cost estimate prepared by Metropolitan, including depreciation. The cost of relocating and reconstructing these facilities, as anticipated in the FEIR, is estimated to be higher.

All California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requirements have been satisfied for the proposed action. In October 1991, your Board certified the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) for the Domenigoni Valley Reservoir Project (Eastside Reservoir Project). This action satisfied the provisions of CEQA in regard to this matter, and no further environmental documentation or reviews are necessary for your Board to take action on this request. Funds for this purchase are available in Appropriation No. 560.

Board Committee Assignments

This letter is referred for action to:

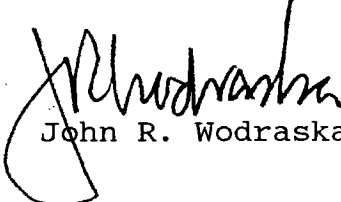
The Engineering and Operations Committee because of its jurisdiction over the initiation, scheduling, contracting, and performance of construction programs pursuant to Administrative Code Section 2431(b); and

The Land Committee because of its jurisdiction over land acquisition activities pursuant to Administrative Code Section 2451(b).

Recommendation

ENGINEERING AND OPERATIONS AND LAND COMMITTEES FOR ACTION.

It is recommended that the General Manager be authorized to enter into an agreement with Eastern Municipal Water District to purchase lands and distribution system facilities within the Domenigoni Valley Reservoir Project site at a cost not to exceed \$2,196,935, on terms and conditions consistent with this letter, and in form approved by the General Counsel.



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