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EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

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To: Board of Directors (Water Planning and Resources Committee--Action)
(Finance and Insurance Committee--Action)

From: General Manager

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Subject: Defferral of Start Date for Co-Funding Proposal for Single-Family, Residential
Indoor/Outdoor Survey Programs.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that your Board delay the effective date of the Co-Pay Matrix for Single-Family, Residential Indoor/Outdoor Survey Programs (Survey Programs) until January 1, 1997, and continue the \$25 per survey flat rate policy through December 31, 1996.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In March 1996 your Board approved Metropolitan's Co-Pay Matrix for Survey Programs to be effective July 1, 1996. Staff recommends the effective date be changed to January 1, 1997 to accommodate the seasonality of Survey Programs and to permit time for the orderly development of various program support functions. The flat rate funding policy of \$25 per survey would be extended to the period July 1, 1996 to December 31, 1996.

DETAILED REPORT

The Co-Pay Matrix for Survey Programs is a pay-for-performance co-funding mechanism designed to replace the flat rate co-funding policy of \$25 per survey. In Board Letter No. 7-4, dated March 22, 1996, which was approved by your Board, staff proposed July 1, 1996 as the effective date for the new pay-for-performance policy to begin. For the following reasons, staff proposes the effective date be delayed until January 1, 1997.

First, Member Agencies have indicated that, because of the seasonality of survey programs, it would be better to introduce the new Co-Pay Matrix funding policy at the beginning, rather than in the middle, of the surveying season. The bulk of residential surveys are conducted between May and October. The postponement of the effective date would provide Member Agencies with adequate time to alter their programs to fit the new funding policy.

Second, staff requires additional time to develop and test various program support functions, namely: 1) a comprehensive surveyor training program, and 2) a database for collecting survey information to track survey activities, tabulate water savings and develop invoices for reimbursement.

The flat rate funding policy of \$25 per survey would be extended through the interval July 1, 1996 to December 31, 1996. It would be applicable to those Member Agency survey programs that were co-funded at that rate by Metropolitan and were in effect on June 30, 1996.