

MONTEREY PENINSULA REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY



January 6, 2014

Fernando Armenta, Chair
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RE: Pro-Rata Share of Costs for Water Authority Representation and Invitation to Participate

Dear Supervisor Armenta:

As you know, the Monterey Peninsula Regional Water Authority (MPRWA) was created by a Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement on February 12, 2012 and originally consisted of the six cities on the Monterey Peninsula: Carmel-by-the-Sea, Del Rey Oaks, Monterey, Pacific Grove, Sand City and Seaside. Since 34% of California American Water Company (Cal-Am) customers reside within non-incorporated areas, a restatement of the Agreement was adopted by the Water Authority on February 14, 2013 to allow membership by Monterey County.

Although Supervisor Dave Potter represents the County on the Monterey Peninsula Water Supply Project (MPWSP) Governance Committee, the Water Authority also separately considers issues impacting residents of the unincorporated areas. Accordingly, we would again like to invite the Board of Supervisors to name a representative to the MPRWA Board.

In recognition of Water Authority efforts on behalf of County residents, the Board of Supervisors approved a pro-rata contribution of \$83,300 on 11 September 2012, based on an initial FY 2012-2013 MPRWA budget of \$245,245. To date, the Authority has not yet invoiced the County for those funds.

The FY 2012-2013 MPRWA budget was subsequently increased to \$476,726 to cover the costs of a part-time Executive Director and a contract for expanded Attorney of Record expenses in support of Authority participation in the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) settlement negotiations on Cal-Am's application A.12-04-019 for a Monterey Peninsula Water Supply Project (MPWSP).


The County's revised FY 2012-2013 pro-rata share at 34% would be \$162,000 or an increase of \$78,700 over the previously approved contribution.

The FY 2013-2014 MPRWA budget of \$423,680 was adopted on April 25, 2013. The County's pro-rata share at 34% is \$144,000.

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Accordingly, the Water Authority hereby requests that the Board of Supervisors approve a revision to its fair-share (pro-rata) contribution to the MPRWA budget for FY 2012-2013 in the amount of an additional \$78,700 and approve its pro-rata contribution to the MPRWA budget for FY 2013-2014 in the amount of \$144,000.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Chuck Della Sala". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Chuck Della Sala, President
Monterey Peninsula Regional Water Authority

C: Lew Bauman, County Administrative Officer
Charles McKee, County Counsel