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FOR PARTY STATUS**

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**I. INTRODUCTION.**

Pursuant to Rules 1.4(a)(4), 1.4(b) and Rule 11.1(a) of the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the California Public Utilities Commission (“CPUC”), the Monterey Regional Water Pollution Control Agency (“MRWPCA”) hereby moves for party status in Application 12-04-019.

**II. MRWPCA SHOULD BE GRANTED PARTY STATUS.**

MRWPCA is a regional wastewater organization which provides wastewater collection, treatment, disposal and water recycling in Monterey County, California. It is a joint powers agency, established pursuant to the Joint Exercise of Powers Act (California Government Code section 6500, et seq.). MRWPCA is comprised of and serves the following member communities: Pacific Grove, Monterey, Del Rey Oaks, Seaside, Sand City, Marina, Salinas, Castroville, Moss Landing, Boronda, the former Fort Ord and some unincorporated areas in northern Monterey County.

This proceeding involves the request of California-American Water Company (U 210 W) (“CAW”) for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct and operate a water supply project. CAW’s application includes a Monterey Peninsula Groundwater Replenishment Project (“GWR”), to be planned, environmentally reviewed, developed and operated by MRWPCA. As such,

the participation of MRWPCA in this application is essential to ensure that the CPUC is informed of all matters related to MRWPCA's GWR component of this proposed water supply project. Additional MRWPCA involvement in the water supply project is that it is planned that brine disposal from CAW's proposed desalination plant will use MRWPCA's ocean outfall. MRWPCA supports the proposed water supply project and is ready, willing, and able to lend its status and capabilities as a public agency to help the project achieve the lowest cost impact on ratepayers and implementation in an expeditious manner, which will provide a reliable water supply to the Monterey Peninsula and replace water supplies for CAW, which are scheduled to be reduced by State Water Resources Control Board Order 2009-60. No party will be prejudiced if MRWPCA is granted party status in this proceeding, since it is already involved in a key component of this project. The public interest supports the granting of Party Status to MRWPCA herein.

## **II. CONTACT INFORMATION**

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#### IV. CONCLUSION

For the reasons stated, MRWPCA seeks party status in this proceeding to ensure the CPUC is informed of all matters related to MRWPCA's participation in this project and to ensure that MRWPCA has adequate notice and opportunity to respond to all issues, claims and arguments raised by any party in the course of this proceeding.

MRWPCA respectfully requests the CPUC to grant this Motion for Party Status.

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Respectfully submitted,

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