

UPPER OCONEE BASIN WATER AUTHORITY
NEGRC HEADQUARTERS
E.H. CULPEPPER CONFERENCE ROOM
MARCH 23, 2016
9:30 A.M.

MINUTES

Members Present:

Melvin Davis, Chairman
Elton Collins
Eric Klerk
Tom Crow
Gary Duck
Wayne Haynie
Pat Graham
Joe Goodman

Alternates Present:

Mark Saxon
Harry Sims*
Joey Leslie

*Representing Mayor Nancy Denson

Others Present:

Jim Dove, NEGRC Executive Director
Mott Beck, NEGRC Executive Assistant
Evans Brinson NEGRC Comptroller
Chris Edwards, McNair, McLemore, Middlebrooks, and Co.
Chip Ferguson, Atkinson Ferguson
Bobby Sills, Nelsnick Enterprises
Bob Snipes, Owner's Representative
Brad Lanning, Jacobs Engineering
Judy Smith, Jackson County Water & Sewerage Authority

CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF JANUARY MEETING MINUTES

Chairman Melvin Davis called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. He asked for a motion to approve the January meeting minutes. **Such a motion was made by Mr. Elton Collins and seconded by Commissioner Harry Sims. The motion passed unanimously.**

FINANCIAL REPORT

Prior to the financial report, Mr. Chris Edwards of McNair, McLemore, Middlebrooks, and Co. gave the annual Audit report. Mr. Edwards advised that the Audit received an Unmodified Opinion, which is the highest rating given. It was a very clean audit, with no deficiencies or discrepancies. Staff was extremely efficient and well prepared. After Mr. Edwards report, NEGRC Comptroller Evans Brinson gave the

financial report for the period ending February 29, 2016. Liabilities and net position totaled \$53,734,973. **A motion to accept both the December 31, 2015 Audit and the financial report as presented was made by Mr. Collins and seconded by Commissioner Pat Graham. The motion carried unanimously.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Executive Committee: In January, Chairman Davis, Owner's Representative Bob Snipes, and Legal Counsel Chip Ferguson reviewed the UOBWA Bylaws that were adopted in September 1996. Based on this review and discussion and since the Bylaws have not been reviewed since September 1996, Chairman Davis assigned the issue to the Executive Committee (made up of Chairs from each UOBWA participating County). Based on earlier conversation, Legal Counsel made a few changes to the Bylaws and forwarded a copy to the Executive Committee for review prior to a meeting. The Committee met on Tuesday, February 9th to review and discuss the document, and it was the consensus of members present to recommend that the Authority adopt the amended and restated Bylaws with revisions requested by the Committee. A final draft of the Bylaws was forwarded to the Authority for review prior to the March 23rd meeting. It was noted that most of the revisions were for clarity and enhancement. **A motion to accept the recommendation of the Executive Committee and adopt the Revised Bylaws was made by Commissioner Harry Sims and seconded by Mr. Collins. The motion carried unanimously.**

Joint Operations/Engineering Committee: During the last several weeks Brad Lanning (Jacobs Engineering), Diana Jackson (Jacobs Engineering), Gary Duck (Chairman of the Engineering Committee), Wayne Haynie (Chairman of the Operations Committee), and Mr. Snipes have met periodically to discuss various issues associated with operations at the Bear Creek Water Treatment Plant. During those discussions, it was determined that there are current inconsistencies in the metering of water volumes utilized for billing purposes. Some monthly bills are based upon water meters owned and maintained by the Authority while secondary meters owned and maintained by member counties are used for monthly billing volumes in other instances. Based on these discussions, a Policy/Procedure Statement for Metering of Flows for Water Use Billing was collectively developed by the above named individuals in an effort to establish a uniform method for measuring such water flows and, if determined necessary, for modifying the standard procedure. The Joint Engineering/Operations Committee met on Wednesday March 16, 2016 to review the subject proposed Policy/Procedure Statement. At the conclusion of that meeting, the Joint Engineering/Operations Committee members present recommended that the Authority approve the Proposed Policy/Procedure Statement for Metering of Flows for Water Use Billing dated March 10, 2016. Mr. Snipes concurs with the recommendation of the Joint Committee and suggests that the Authority consider September 1, 2016 as the effective date for the Policy/Procedure Statement. **The Policy/Procedure Statement and effective**

date was unanimously approved based on recommendation of the Committee.

Finance Committee: Mr. Collins deferred his report to Snipes, and this report was given in the Owner's Representative Report.

OWNER'S REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Several meetings of the Finance Committee were held over the last few months regarding the Capital Asset Master Plan (CAMP) and the Capital Asset Reserve and Replacement Fund (CARRF). This initiative was a cooperative effort that involved the Joint Operations/Engineering Committee (Joint Committee), as well as the Finance Committee. The Joint Committee met on February 2nd to review work by Jacobs on a list of assets, useful life of assets, replacement, and the associated CARRF. Committee members present accepted the subject list and recommended that it be the foundation for determining the CARRF. Given this, the Finance Committee met on February 16th to review the first draft Technical Memo and Spreadsheet Model prepared by Bobby Sills. At the conclusion of the meeting, the Committee authorized staff to proceed with the methodology for determining the funding amount associated with the CARRF and for management of the fund, contingent upon reviewing, at the Committee's next meeting, the results of that methodology being applied to the list of assets developed by Jacobs Engineering. The Finance Committee met on March 8th and reviewed the second draft of the CARRF Technical Memo and the results of having applied the proposed methodology to the list of assets developed by Jacobs Engineering. The results of the effort by Mr. Sills are more fully discussed in the Technical Memo dated March 18th and provided to the Authority members prior to the March 23rd meeting. **The Finance Committee recommends that the Authority approve the following: a) funding and management methodology outlined in the Bobby Sills Technical Memo dated March 18, 2016, b) the use of remaining available bond funds of \$1.9 to assist appropriate members in meeting their contribution requirements to the CARRF, c) the implementation of a \$500,000 contingency amount with the CARRF, d) the use of a ramped up annual contribution level by member counties as outlined in the March 18th Technical Memo, and e) implementation of the CARRF contributions starting in January 2017. Mr. Snipes concurred with the recommendation, and a motion to accept the recommendation of the Committee as stated above was made by Mr. Gary Duck and seconded by Commissioner Tom Crow. The motion includes the approval of the list of Capital Assets as developed by Jacobs Engineering and recommended by the Joint Committee. The motion passed unanimously.**

The Authority's current Asset Management Policy (Section 6) establishes the process by which surplus assets are to be disposed by the Authority. That Policy states "assets that are to be disposed of or abandoned should be listed for review and approved by the Authority". A list of proposed surplus property was prepared by Jacobs Field Services staff and forwarded to the Authority, and it is recommended that the Authority approve the subject list of surplus assets. **A motion to approve the list of**

surplus assets for disposal as stated in the Asset Management Policy, Section 6; and to authorize the Chairman to approve disposal of said items was made by Mr. Collins and seconded by Commissioner Sims. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Snipes, Wayne Haynie, Mr. Adams, and Mr. Ferguson participated in a conference call with EPD staff on March 7th, and EPD staff indicated that the Drought Management Policy/Plan and Water Supply Model both were acceptable, and a letter was received on March 22nd from Water Protection Branch Chief James Sapp stating that the Policy/Plan and associated computer model are approved. The Plan does not address outdoor water use restrictions; therefore, no EPD advance waivers or approvals are needed prior to Authority action on Drought response levels. However, any local drought plans that call for a deviation from EPD limitations on outdoor water use must be approved in advance by EPD via a waiver. EPD must act on a waiver request within five business days. The Authority's process of drought stage designation and action by the Joint Operations/Engineering Committee should provide sufficient lead time for requesting such a waiver. EPD expressed interest in working in a collaborative effort with Authority staff to further enhance/refine the Water Supply Model. **A motion to adopt the Drought Management Policy/Plan and Model dated March 10, 2016, including minor revisions made after submission to EPD, was made by Mr. Duck and seconded by Commissioner Sims. The motion passed unanimously.** Member counties should finalize and adopt their individual drought management plans to be consistent with the Authority's plan and submit these plans to EPD for review/approval. Each county should determine if Authority drought response levels will require restrictions on outdoor water use.

Jacobs has now completed the 100% plans for High Service Pump #8 and is soliciting bids. Bids are due at 2:00 p.m. on April 28th. The Jackson County Water & Sewerage Authority (JCWSA) has now budgeted funds for this project and would like to proceed with the award of bids if the bid is within the amount budgeted. Mr. Snipes recommends that the Authority authorize Chairman Davis, after discussion with Jackson County, to award the bid if within the amount budgeted by JCWSA. **A motion to accept the aforementioned recommendation was made by Commissioner Sims and seconded by Commissioner Crow. The motion passed unanimously.**

OPERATIONS AND MANAGEMENT REPORT

Operations are normal and in compliance with EPD rules and regulations. The reservoir remains at full pool, and the treatment plant pumped an average of 6.7 MGD, compared to 8.0 at the same time last year. There have been no construction activities or maintenance issues at the site during the last two months.

PUBLIC COMMENT/EXECUTIVE SESSION

No one requested to make comments, and Legal Counsel advised that an Executive Session was not needed at this time.

OTHER BUSINESS

The contract with Jacobs Engineering will come up for renewal in September, and the Authority has to give its intention for renewal 90 days in advance. This will be an agenda item in May.

Chairman Davis asked the Finance Committee to begin discussion regarding a uniform cost for sale of water among participating counties. He also requested that the Committee take a look at various options for audit services for the Authority.

The next meeting will be held on May 25th.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Martha "Mott" Beck
UOBWA Secretary

Upper Oconee Basin Water Authority



Date: May 16, 2016

To: UOBWA Chairman Melvin Davis, Members, and Alternates

From: Bob Snipes, P.E. – Owner's Representative

Subject: Annual Renewal of Utilities Service Contract with Jacobs, Inc.

The purpose of this memo is to remind members of the Upper Oconee Basin Water Authority (Authority) of the annual renewal provision of the subject contract and to advise of proposed related actions.

As you may recall, the Utility Services Contract between Jacobs, Inc. and the Authority automatically renews each year during the 5-year term (September 26, 2012 through September 25, 2017) of the contract unless a notice to terminate is provided by either party at least 90 days in advance of the renewal dated. The next renewal date is September 26, 2016. Therefore, the Authority must advise Jacobs, Inc. by no later than June 27, 2016 if the Authority desires to terminate the subject contract.

You will also recall that Chairman Davis advised the Authority at the March 23, 2016 meeting of the subject upcoming contract renewal with Jacobs and asked that members advise him or me of any concerns regarding the contract renewal. I have not received any comments from Authority members and Chairman Davis has not indicated that he has received any comments related to this issue. Therefore, I anticipate notifying Jacobs, Inc. by no later than June 1, 2016 of the Authority's desire to renew the subject Utility Services contract for the September 26, 2016 through September 25, 2017 period.

Please contact me if you should have questions or comments regarding the above information.

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Chip Ferguson, Attorney
Jim Dove, RDC Director
Evans Brinson, RDC Comptroller
Brad Lanning, Jacobs Engineering
Mott Beck, RDC Admin Asst.



Upper Oconee Basin Water Authority



Date: May 16, 2016

To: UOBWA Chairman Melvin Davis, Members, and Alternates

From: Bob Snipes, P.E. – Owner's Representative

Subject: Water Supply Model (May-July 2016) and Bear Creek Water Treatment Plant Operational Revisions and Modifications

The purpose of this memo is to summarize information related to the below discussed topics and, when appropriate, to convey associated recommendations from the Wednesday May 11, 2016 meeting of the Joint Engineering/Operations Committee (Joint Committee).

Water Supply Model

The Member Counties have all submitted the appropriate water usage information for input into the Water Supply Model (Model) for the upcoming 2016 Drought Protection Period. Diana Jackson, P.E. and Chris Adams, P.E., of Jacobs Engineering and I have collectively worked to adjust the initially provided water use information based upon water flows, and the associated peak day factors, measured at the Bear Creek Water Treatment Facility. This updated input information was provided to members of the Joint Engineering/Operations Committee by an email from me on May 8, 2016.

During the Wednesday May 11, 2016 meeting of the Joint Committee, Diana, Chris, and I reviewed with the Committee members the Model input and output information. It is noted that the initial run of the Water Supply Model is based upon input data as of May 1, 2016 and is intended to address the May-July 2016 Drought Protection Period. Further, this initial output of the Model anticipates minimum and maximum stream flows at the 60% and 70% probability levels, respectively. Therefore, based upon currently available information, it is anticipated that stream flows will be sufficient to meet the water usage needs of the Authority members during the 2016 Drought Protection Period and that there is not currently a need to designate either a Drought Severity Stage or Drought Response Level.

The Joint Committee requested that the Authority be advised of the above outlined output from the Model.

Bear Creek Water Treatment Facility – Revised Operational Processes

During the last several months, Engineering Committee Chairman Duck, Operations Committee Chairman Haynie, Brad Lanning and Diana Jackson of Jacobs Engineering, and I have been reviewing the volume of water that is typically withdrawn from the reservoir each day and not ultimately supplied to Member Counties and their customers. This treated or partly treated volume of water is almost entirely utilized in operational processes (a minor amount is loss to evaporation) of the Bear Creek Water



Treatment Facility (BCWTF). Typical uses included sample pumps, back washing of filters, ClariVac system removal of sludge from the sedimentation basins, periodic cleaning of the sedimentation basins, etc. These process uses can account for almost 18% of the total water withdrawn from the Reservoir during some months (April 2015) and averaged about 30.7 million gallons (MG) per month during 2015 or about 1 MG/day (MGD).

This level of BCWTF process use of water could have a significant impact on available water supply during periods of extended drought and/or when water needs approach entitlement share or withdrawal permit limits.

One of the BCWTF operational processes that consumes a significant amount of water each day, and which appears to be a candidate for modification, is the ClariVac sludge removal system. Until the above noted review was undertaken, the ClariVac system was operated once per shift (twice per day) in each of the two (2) sedimentation basins regardless of the time of year, reservoir level, treated water demand, etc. and consumed on average about 200,000 gallons per day (gpd), approximately 6 MG/month, and approximately 73 MG/yr.

As a result of the subject review, it has been determined that the existing treatment plant control system will allow the ClariVac system to be operated based upon water control parameters and will usually result in this system operating once per day rather than the current time based twice per day. This operational revision should reduce the reservoir withdrawal volumes by approximately 100,000 gpd, about 3 MG/month, and about 36 MG/yr.

In addition, the flow rate on two of the sample collection faucets has been modified from 29 gals per minute (gpm) to 8 gpm resulting in a reduction in process water use of approximately 60,400 gpd, 1.8 MG/month, and 21.7 MG/yr.

During the May 11, 2016 meeting of the Joint Committee, the Committee accepted the above summarized BCWTF operational revisions and requested that the Authority be advised of these operational revisions at the Wednesday May 25, 2016 meeting.

Bear Creek Water Treatment Facility – Modification of Point of Lagoon Discharge

All water withdrawn from the reservoir by the BCWTF each day, and not ultimately pumped into the Clear wells or distribution systems of Member Counties, is utilized by treatment plant processes and then discharged into the treatment plant's primary and secondary lagoon system. The lagoon discharge system subsequently releases these waters into Bear Creek at a point downstream of the reservoir dam. During calendar year 2015, this volume of water (minus evaporation) totaled approximately 368 MG (an average of about 30.7 MG/month or an average of approximately 1.0 MGD). Again, this loss of water withdrawn from the reservoir could have a significant impact on available water supply during periods of extended drought and/or when water needs approach entitlement share or withdrawal permit limits.

It has been determined that the discharge from the lagoons could be modified, with EPD approval, to direct this volume of water back into the reservoir rather than into Bear Creek downstream of the reservoir dam. This modification would in turn reduce the volume of water that is withdrawn from the river; thus, reducing operational costs while making this volume of water available for distribution to customers within the limits of the EPD withdrawal permits.

The cost for such a modification is estimated to be \$9,000 to \$12,500. Staff is currently of the opinion that such a modification would not have a negative impact on the reservoir water quality and Jacobs staff is currently investigating what approvals might be necessary from EPD for such a modification.

This topic was discussed at the Joint Committee meeting on Wednesday May 11, 2016. At the conclusion of Committee discussion on this topic, the Committee recommended that the Authority authorize staff to a) explore the subject modification with EPD and, b) if determined to be acceptable to EPD, propose actions necessary to implement the noted modification.

I concur with the Joint Committee's recommendation.

Bear Creek Water Treatment Facility – Water Flow Meters: Type, Accuracy, Testing, and Possible Modifications

The five (5) individuals noted in the earlier part of this memo have collectively reviewed the location of water flow meters at the BCWTF, the accuracy of these meters, the possible need for supplementary meters to enhance accuracy at certain points, testing frequency, etc. This review produced the following observations and recommendations.

Observations:

- 1) Flows at the BCWTF are measured at key locations (e.g. flows into the transmission lines for each Member County) utilizing venturi flow elements/meters for closed pipes.
- 2) Venturi meters are reported by the manufacturer to be accurate within +/-0.5% based upon certain conditions related to pipe diameter and flow rates.
- 3) A venturi meter is expected to be within the noted accuracy range for a 36" diameter pipe when the rate of flow is 1,014 gpm (1.46 MGD) or higher and for a 30" diameter pipe when the rate of flow is 847 gpm (1.22 MGD) or greater.
- 4) The minimum flow through the BCWTF during low flow periods typically exceed 3.0 MGD with short periods that may drop to about 1.5 MGD. Therefore, the flow rates within the plant appear to exceed the minimum thresholds necessary to obtain optimal accuracy for the venturi meters.
- 5) Minimum flows to the Barrow County/Oconee County transmission line during the lowest demand periods exceed the minimum 1.22 MGD flow necessary to obtain optimal accuracy for the associated 30" diameter pipe and the venturi meter. Therefore, a supplemental meter (e.g. a full profile insertion flow meter) would not appear to enhance the accuracy of the measured flow.
- 6) Minimum flows to the Jackson County transmission system during low demand periods typically exceed the minimum 1.22 MGD flow necessary to obtain optimal accuracy for the associated 30" diameter pipe and the dual sensor set venturi meter. Never the less, there are short periods when flows may drop as low as 0.8 MGD and below the accuracy threshold for the existing dual range sensors in this venturi meter. However, treatment plant staff advises that the finished water pumps to Jackson County are typically shut down when flows drop to the 0.8 MGD range. Therefore, a supplemental meter (e.g. a full profile insertion flow meter) would not appear to significantly enhance the accuracy of the measured flow.

- 7) Minimum flows to Athens-Clarke County appear to have high likelihood of being below the 1.46 MGD accuracy threshold for the associated 36" diameter pipe and existing single sensor set venturi meter during some periods. Therefore, a supplemental low flow sensor set may be desirable on the venturi meter associated with each of the two (2) 36" diameter pipes that provide raw water to Athens-Clarke County.
- 8) The venturi meters at the BCWTF are currently calibrated every quarter. This calibration frequency appears to meet or exceed the manufacturer's recommendation. Therefore, there does not appear to be a need to modify current practice.

Recommendations:

At the conclusion of discussion on this topic, the Joint Committee recommended that the Authority approve the below noted findings:

- a) No supplemental flow meters are necessary for measurement of in plant flows.
- b) Athens-Clarke County may wish to consider requesting the Authority to install an appropriate supplemental low flow sensor set on each of the 36" diameter raw water transmission lines. Of course, the cost for such an addition would be allocated to Athens-Clarke County.
- c) The current practice of quarterly calibrating the venturi meters at the BCWTF appears to be appropriate and should be continued.

The Joint Committee asked that Jacobs staff develop the following information for further consideration by the Authority and/or Committees:

- I. The feasibility of utilizing clearwell storage levels as a supplemental accuracy check of metered flows to assist Member Counties in EPD required Water Loss Audits, and
- II. An estimate of the cost for installation of a supplemental low flow sensor set on each of the venturi meters associated with the Athens-Clarke County raw water transmission lines.

Please contact me should you have questions or comments regarding the above information.

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Upper Oconee Basin Water Authority



Date: May 16, 2016

To: UOBWA Chairman Melvin Davis, Members, and Alternates

From: Bob Snipes, P.E. – Owner’s Representative

Subject: Uniform Rate for Short Term Sale of Water between Member Counties

The purpose of this memo is to provide information regarding a proposed policy, guiding principles, and methodology for establishing and annually updating the “Uniform Rate” for the short term sale of water from one Member County to another and to convey a recommendation from the Finance Committee regarding this issue.

At the March 23, 2016 meeting of the Authority, Chairman Davis asked that the Finance Committee and staff develop a recommendation regarding the “Uniform Rate” for the sale of water among Member Counties. This topic was considered at the Wednesday May 11, 2016 meeting of the Finance Committee.

Section 210 (e) & (f) of the “Intergovernmental Reservoir and Raw Water Supply Agreement between Upper Oconee Basin Water Authority, Oconee County, Athens-Clarke County, Barrow County, & Jackson County, Georgia” and Section 210 (e) & (f) of the “Intergovernmental Water Treatment and Transmission Agreement between Upper Oconee Basin Water Authority, Oconee County, Barrow County, & Jackson County, Georgia” address the requirement that a “Uniform Rate” be established by the Authority for the “short-term sale of water from one Member County to another”.

It is my understanding, after consultation with Authority Attorney Chip Ferguson, that the above noted Sections of the referenced Intergovernmental Agreements are applicable to the sale of water between Member Counties when both are operating within the limits of their respective Entitlement Shares and EPD withdrawal permits and that these provisions of the Intergovernmental Agreements are not for the purpose of allowing Member Counties to exceed either of these limitations. Other Sections of the noted Intergovernmental Agreements address the short-term and/or permanent sale of Entitlement Shares and a different cost calculation methodology would be utilized in such transactions. In addition, it is my understanding that modifications to EPD withdrawal permits would also be necessary if Entitlement Shares were being sold on either a permanent or short term basis. Therefore, this memo is intended to address only the short term (not greater than 10 years) sale of water between Member Counties.

In the past, the Authority has periodically established a specific dollar amount per thousand gallons (“kgals”), for treated and/or raw water, as the “Uniform Rate” for short term water sales among current Member Counties. This past process requires periodic Authority action to keep the “Uniform Rate”



current and, depending upon the established value, could result in a Member County being asked to sell water to another Member County at a unit cost less than the unit cost paid to the Authority for the same volume of water.

In place of this past process, it is proposed that the Authority adopt a policy and associated methodology for establishing the subject "Uniform Rate". Further, it is suggested that such a policy be based upon the following principles:

- a) Established by objective methodology that annually updates the Uniform Rate without specific action by the Authority.
- b) Ensures that the Uniform Rate is not at a level that requires any Member County to sell water at a rate that is less than the Member County is paying the Authority for an equal volume of water.
- c) Ensures that all Member Counties' selling price is equal; thus, maintaining equity among Member Counties.
- d) Provides an element of the Uniform Rate that will reimburse the selling Member County for administrative, etc. expenses associated with contractual arrangements.
- e) Provides price equality within reciprocal agreements.
- f) Is easily understood and easily explained by Authority members and local officials.

For background to this discussion, it is observed that the 2016 estimated unit cost (per kgals) for water purchased from the Authority is different for each of the Member Counties. This unit cost differential is primarily the result of the fact that each of the Member Counties reimburses the Authority for certain fixed costs (e.g. debt service) which are different and that each Member County utilizes a different percentage of their respective Entitlement Share. Thus, these fixed costs are distributed over a different annual volume for each Member County resulting in the below noted estimated annual unit cost per kgals.

Treated Water

Barrow County – \$2.84 per kgals
Jackson County – \$2.81 per kgals
Oconee County - \$1.97 per kgals

Raw Water

Athens-Clarke County – \$0.41 per kgals
Barrow County – \$0.61 per kgals
Jackson County – \$0.69 per kgals
Oconee County - \$0.42 per kgals

With the above background information on the 2016 estimated unit cost (per kgals) and the above noted suggested guiding principles, the following methodology is recommended for consideration.

- 1) The highest annual estimated unit cost is determined for both treated and raw water using the approved current annual budget and the then current cost allocation methodology. For 2016, this would result in the following:
 - a. Treated Water - \$2.84 per kgals (Barrow County)
 - b. Raw Water – \$0.69 per kgals (Jackson County)
- 2) Establish an element of the Uniform Rate that will reimburse the selling Member County for administrative, etc. expenses associated with all contractual arrangements. It is suggested that this be a multiplier of 1.05. This element of the Uniform Rate could of course be a different multiplier as determined to be appropriate by the Authority.
- 3) Establish the Uniform Rate by application of steps #1 & 2. For 2016, the Uniform Rates would be as follows:
 - a. Treated Water - \$2.84 per kgals X 1.05 = \$2.98 per kgals
 - b. Raw Water – \$0.69 per kgals X 1.05 = \$0.72 per kgals

I am of the opinion that the above proposed methodology meets the guiding principles outlined earlier in this memo.

At the conclusion of discussion on this topic at the May 11, 2016 Finance Committee meeting, the Committee recommended that the Authority approve the above outlined Uniform Rate Policy for Sale of Water between Member Counties and that the Policy include the above noted proposed guiding principles and proposed calculation methodology. Further, the Committee also recommended that the Policy require that a copy of all contracts for short term water sales between Member Counties be provided to the Authority and such documents be maintained in the Authority's files.

Please feel free to contact me should you have questions regarding the above information.

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