STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 2003 - 0027

APPROVAL OF INITIAL PROPOSITION 50 GRANT FUNDING FOR THE INLAND EMPIRE UTILITIES AGENCY'S (AGENCY) REGIONAL RECYCLED WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM PROJECT; PHASE 1.

WHEREAS:

- 1. The Water Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Act of 2002 (2002 Bond Law), Proposition 50, allocated \$10 million to the Water Recycling Subaccount. \$9.875 million of the \$10 million is to provide grants to municipalities for facilities planning, design, and construction of water recycling projects;
- 2. The Chief of the Loans and Grants Branch approved the Facility Plan for the Agency's Project on January 10, 2003, and the Agency agreed with the Facility Plan Approval on January 15, 2003;
- 3. The Agency has certified a Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) (State Clearinghouse No. 2000041047) and has adopted second tier Initial Studies and Findings of Consistency, all of which have been reviewed and considered, and it has been determined that changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into the projects which avoid or reduce to less than significant levels potentially significant environmental effects identified in the PEIR. Copies of the Draft and Final PEIRs and second tier Initial Studies with Findings of Consistency may be viewed by the general public during normal business hours at Cal/EPA 1001 I Street, 16th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814; and
- 4. On February 26, 2003, CALFED staff reviewed the scientific and environmental elements of the proposed project. CALFED staff is in concurrence with the Division of Financial Assistance's Proposition 50 funding request for the Project.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Resources Control Board:

- 1. Approves a WRCP Prop 50 Bond Law grant of \$5 million to Inland Empire Utilities Agency for the construction of the Regional Recycled Water Distribution System-Phase 1 project; and
- 2. Will withdraw this preliminary WRCP grant commitment if the Final Plans and Specifications for each of the six-project segments are not submitted by January 31, 2004. The Division of Financial Assistance may approve up to a 90-day extension to the above deadline for good cause.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Clerk to the Board, does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the State Water Resources Control Board held on April 30, 2003.

Maureen Marché
Clerk to the Board