

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) has been a member of the nonprofit Water Research Foundation (WRF) since 1987 when it joined this organization as a charter member; and

WHEREAS, WRF fulfills a vital need for the nation's water utilities and water agencies by conducting research in areas of particular interest to water systems, providing a forum for the mutual exchange of ideas, and supplying information on problems that confront the water industry and the public; and

WHEREAS, membership in WRF allows LADWP to continue in WRF's subscription program and to participate in WRF's urgent facilitated research services program on an as-needed basis; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of LADWP to continue WRF support in the attainment of its goal to provide safe and affordable drinking water to consumers; and

WHEREAS, since joining WRF, LADWP benefits from participation in 129 research projects and committees with a total project value of about \$57.2 million.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Memorandum of Understanding for the Utility Subscription Program and Facilitated Research Service Program with WRF for calendar Years 2016, 2017, and 2018 (MOU) approved as to form and legality by the City Attorney, and filed with the Secretary of the Board, is hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that pursuant to City Charter Section 1022, the Board finds that the work performed by WRF is more feasibly performed by an independent contractor than by City employees.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board finds that the use of competitive bidding for the work provided under this MOU would be undesirable, impractical or impossible.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Accounting Employee of LADWP, upon proper certification, is authorized and directed to draw a demand on the Water Revenue Fund for the WRF membership subscription program and for the LADWP's urgent facilitated research services program on an as-needed basis conducted by the WRF for a cumulative total not-to-exceed amount of \$1,740,000 for the calendar years 2016, 2017, and 2018.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the President or Vice President, or the General Manager, or such person as the General Manager shall designate in writing, and the Secretary, Assistant Secretary, or the Acting Secretary of the Board are hereby authorized and directed to execute said MOU for and on behalf of LADWP.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, upon completion of the term of this MOU, the WRF annual membership and LADWP's urgent facilitated scientific research services on an as-needed basis shall be continued only upon the approval by the Los Angeles City Council, pursuant to the provisions of Los Angeles City Charter Section 373 and Section 10.5 of the City of Los Angeles Administrative Code.

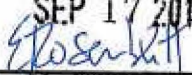
I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Board of Water and Power Commissioners of the City of Los Angeles at its meeting held

FEB 02 2016



Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY  
MICHAEL N. FEUER, CITY ATTORNEY

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