Memorandum of Understanding for the Utility Subscription Program and Facilitated Research Service Program

Between

Water Research Foundation

And

Los Angeles Department of Water and Power

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) establishes a voluntary Understanding entered into on January 1, 2016 (Effective Date) by and among the Water Research Foundation (WRF), a Delaware non-profit corporation whose principal place of business is located at 6666 West Quincy Avenue, Denver, Colorado 80235, and Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP), whose principal place of business is located at 111 North Hope Street, Room 1213, Los Angeles, CA 90012.

This MOU encompasses WRF's utility Subscription Program and Facilitated Research Service Program. The utility subscription program allows LADWP to become a subscriber to WRF, which is a research collaborative made up of over 980 utilities. This research collaborative supports a robust research agenda of relevant topics for utilities.

Per this MOU, LADWP will utilize the Subscription Worksheet to calculate its annual subscription to WRF. As a subscriber to WRF, LADWP receives the following benefits available to all employees:

- Access to over 1,300 expert reviewed research reports
- Access to WRF staff subject matter experts in all areas of water
- Monthly topical webcasts
- Access to up-to-date knowledge portals on WRF's web site
- Professional development opportunities through participation on advisory committees
- Attendance at regional and national expert workshops
- Access to project-based webtools and resources
- Access to WRF's extensive international network of top researchers and water experts

This MOU also encompasses the WRF Facilitated Research Services (FRS) program. FRS is a scientific research program that enables utilities to utilize WRF expertise and proven processes for research, management and communication to solve local, regional, or niche issues. Under this program, the management processes for scientific research is fully undertaken by WRF and funded by a specific utility or group of utilities. Participants benefit directly from independent management of research and tailored communication of results, and by association to WRF's long-standing, scientific credibility. The FRS program allows utilities, like LADWP, access to a scientific research program that can support the decisions of the utility. The FRS program, which is accessible to all LADWP employees, provides the following direct benefits to LADWP:

- Professional project management services
- Access to WRF's managed expert review process
- Access to WRF communication and publication process
- Distribution of these results to WRF subscribers and the international research community

Contacts. Co-funder contacts of the FRS Program are:

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Per this MOU, LADWP will provide funding for the WRF Subscription and FRS program for the amount of \$1,740,000 over a three year period from January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2018.

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WRF may, at its option, either settle or defend the Claim and pay all damages and costs awarded in the Claim against LADWP, provided that the defense and any settlement are approved by the LADWP Board of Commissioners and are consistent with the Los Angeles City Charter. Any approval of settlement required by LADWP will not be unreasonably withheld. In addition to the foregoing, LADWP reserves the right to participate and act as co-counsel in the defense of the Claim at its own expense of attorneys' fees.

<u>Acknowledgement.</u> WRF will recognize LADWP as sponsor/cosponsor of any published project funded by LADWP's FRS funds.

<u>Termination.</u> In the event this MOU is not progressing as required, either party may terminate a project related portion of this MOU with 30 days written notice to the other party. Any portion of LADWP's contribution allocated to a Project through the FRS

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program which has not already been distributed or earmarked by WRF but not yet invoiced by the researcher may be returned to LADWP.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, WRF and LADWP have caused this MOU to be signed and dated as shown below.

Water Research Foundation

By:

Robert C. Renner, P.E., B.C.E.E. **Executive Director**

Date: 10/12/15

DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND POWER OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES BY BOARD OF WATER AND POWER COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES

By:

MARCIE L. EDWARDS General Manager

Date:

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY

And:

BARBARA E. MOSCHOS Secretary

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ERIC ROSENBLATT

DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY

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 - b. Corina Santos at csantos@WaterRF.org
- 4. Do not return the entire agreement, only the signature page.
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