



Los Angeles City Ethics Commission

February 25, 2014

The Honorable City Council
c/o Holly Wolcott, Interim City Clerk
200 North Spring Street
City Hall – 3rd Floor
Los Angeles CA 90012

**Re: Council File Number 14-0179
Appointment of Marcie Edwards as the General Manager of the
Department of Water and Power**

FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

Dear Councilmembers:

On February 5, 2014, the Board of Water and Power Commissioners transmitted to the City Clerk a letter indicating the appointment of Ms. Marcie Edwards as the General Manager of the Department of Water and Power. The Ethics Commission received Ms. Edwards' pre-confirmation statement of economic interests (SEI) on February 20, 2014 and the City Council confirmed her appointment on February 21, 2014. This letter is provided for inclusion in the City Council file. A copy of this letter is also being provided to Ms. Edwards to help her avoid potential conflicts of interests that may arise in the course of her tenure as the General Manager of Department of Water and Power.

Ms. Edwards does not report any investments, income sources, or interests in real property on his SEI. However, interests disclosed on an SEI are not the only interests that can give rise to a conflict of interests. Recusal may be required under City Charter § 222, for example, which states that the City Attorney may provide a written opinion concerning the obligation of a City official to refrain from acting on a matter when doing so may not be in the public interest or may violate state law. If a matter raises a potential conflict of interests, we encourage Ms. Edwards to seek the advice of the City Attorney before acting.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact me at (213) 978-1960.

Sincerely,

Shannon Prior
Ethics Program Manager

cc: Board of Water and Power Commissioners
Ms. Marcie Edwards