

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-4-3

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
INLAND EMPIRE UTILITIES AGENCY*, SAN
BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA CALLING FOR
EXTRARODINARY WATER USE EFFICIENCY EFFORTS
TO EXTEND REGIONAL WATER SUPPLIES FOR
INLAND EMPIRE RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES.**

WHEREAS, the Inland Empire Utilities Agency (“Agency”) is a California Special District, created to serve as the water wholesale agency for seven cities, serving approximately 830,000 people, in southwestern San Bernardino County; and

WHEREAS, the Agency relies on imported water from Northern California provided through the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (“MWD”) to meet approximately 30% of its supply demand; with the balance of the service area’s demand being met by local groundwater via the Chino Basin and surface water, and through local water recycling and water use efficiency; and

WHEREAS, the state of California is experiencing extraordinary dry year conditions, with 2014 projected to become the driest year ever recorded; and

WHEREAS, now in its third consecutive year of drought, the state of California’s annual precipitation levels are inadequate to fill the state’s key reservoirs; and

WHEREAS, on January 17, 2014, Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr. declared a State of Emergency due to drought conditions and has asked for a voluntary 20 percent water use reduction by everyone in California; and

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2014, the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) officially reduced the State Water Project (SWP) allocation to zero percent; and

WHEREAS, on February 11, 2014, the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California adopted a second stage “Water Supply Alert”, and is calling upon its member agencies, cities and communities to implement extraordinary conservation measures to extend regional water supplies;

WHEREAS, over the past 20 years, the Inland Empire Utilities Agency has invested more than \$275 million in the region to enhance groundwater recharge, infrastructure improvements, recycled water, and water use efficiency programs; and

WHEREAS, the cities and agencies providing service within the Agency’s boundaries have worked to develop water-management strategies and to implement comprehensive water use efficiency programs to help meet service area demand; and

WHEREAS, increasing conservation efforts and applying water wise habits today will help the region meet its water needs now and in the future; and

WHEREAS, the Agency and its member agencies are increasing their public messaging to improve awareness of the serious statewide drought and the need for everyone to do their part to implement extraordinary conservation measures to reduce water use and protect existing regional supplies; and

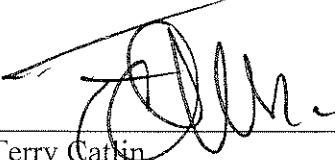
WHEREAS, there are numerous resources and programs to assist us in our region-wide water use efficiency efforts, including rebates for water saving devices and information on water-saving strategies at www.ieua.org, and www.bewaterwise.com.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY the Board of Directors of the Inland Empire Utilities Agency does hereby urge every member agency, public agency, resident and business to take the necessary actions to reduce their water usage by 20 percent through enhanced water use efficiency measures; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Inland Empire Utilities Agency will coordinate with its member agencies, cities and communities to develop a unified regional message and significantly accelerate its outreach efforts in order to communicate the urgent need to conserve water to Inland Empire public officials, residents and businesses; and


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Inland Empire Utilities Agency requests all local water agencies, cities, and public agencies to immediately activate and enforce existing conservation and drought ordinances in their jurisdictions and call upon everyone reduce their water use by 20 percent.

ADOPTED this 16th day of April, 2014.



Terry Catlin
President of the Inland Empire
Utilities Agency* and of the
Board of Directors thereof

ATTEST:



Steven J. Elie
Secretary/Treasurer of the Inland Empire
Utilities Agency* and of the
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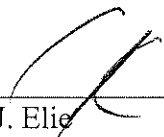
I, Steven J. Elie, Secretary/Treasurer of the Inland Empire Utilities Agency*, DO
HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution being No. 2014-4-3, was adopted at a regular
Board Meeting on April 16, 2014, of said Agency by the following vote:

AYES: Hall, Elie, Camacho, Koopman, Catlin

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None



Steven J. Elie
Secretary/Treasurer

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