RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF VENTURA COUNTY WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 19 REVISING PART 2, SECTION A, RULE 2-A-1d, 9b, AND 9c OF ITS RULES AND REGULATIONS

WHEREAS, Ventura County Waterworks District No. 19 (District) acquires its imported water supply through Metropolitan Water District of Southern California and Calleguas Municipal Water District (Calleguas); and

WHEREAS, Calleguas water rates charged to the District will increase by 6.0% per acrefoot effective January 1, 2013; and

WHEREAS, the Calleguas Tier I water rate is \$1,119 per acre foot, effective January 1, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Southern California Edison (SCE) rates charged to the District for operation of the wells and booster pump stations used to bring water to District customers are estimated to increase by approximately 5% in 2013; and

WHEREAS, the Board of the District and Ventura County Waterworks Districts Nos. 1, 16, and 17 (collectively, Districts) adopted a set of Rules and Regulations (R&Rs) governing the Districts, including separate water rates and allocations for each district; and

WHEREAS, Part 2, Section A, Rule 2-A-9b sets forth the water commodity rates for District customers, which the Board of the District is considering increasing for the District's Municipal and Industrial customers in light of the aforementioned rate increases by Calleguas and SCE; and

WHEREAS, the District's R&Rs currently provide annual allocations for all District agricultural and other similar use customers; and

WHEREAS, Part 2, Section A, Rule 2-A-1d sets forth the rules governing the accounting and reconciliation for agricultural and other similar use customers and Rule 2-A-9c (iii), (iv), (v), and (vi) set forth the allocations and rates for agricultural and other similar use customers; and

WHEREAS, the Board of the District is considering implementing tiered agricultural rates and allocations; and

WHEREAS, the proposed changes to the water commodity rates are subject to the majority protest provisions of Proposition 218 set forth in the California Constitution at Article XIII D, Section 6; and

WHEREAS, notice of the proposed action and the date, time, and location of the public hearing thereon has been provided in accordance with the law; and

WHEREAS, the Board of the District held a public hearing to hear all oral and written comments and protests concerning the proposed rate increases; and

WHEREAS, the Board of the District has considered all such oral and written comments and protests, and has determined that written protests were not received from a majority of parcels affected by the water rate increases;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of the District approves Exhibit 1 hereto amending the District's R&Rs, and adopts the proposed tiered agricultural allocations as set forth in Exhibit 1 and the water rates set forth in the "Proposed" column in Exhibit 1, which shall be implemented commencing with the District's February 2013 billing.

Upon motion of Supervisor **Long**, seconded by Supervisor **Zarea or**, the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted on this 11th day of December 2012.

John C Zaragoza, Chair

Board of Ventura County Waterworks District No. 19

ATTEST: Michael Powers Clerk of the Board County of Ventura, State of California

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