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ORANGE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT
Orange County's Groundwater Authority

January 8, 2008

Board of Directors
West Basin Municipal Water District
17140 South Avalon Blvd, Room 210
Carson, California 90746-1296

RE: Concurring Nomination for ACWA/JPIA President

Dear Members of the Board:

My current year term as President of the ACWA/JPIA is expiring this year. In order to be on the ballot for re election I must receive concurring nominations from five member districts of the ACWA/JPIA . These nominations must be submitted to the ACWA/JPIA before March 21, 2008. By way of this letter, containing the concurring nomination form and election information, I am requesting that your district support my re election by passing and submitting a concurring nomination in accordance with the rules enclosed.

I have enjoyed serving you since 1993 as a member of the ACWA/JPIA Executive Committee, Vice President, and President. During those years we have seen significant improvement in training, service and coverage for our member districts. Our limit of liability in the MOU has been increased to \$50 million dollars, the highest available from any JPA today. We have incorporated coverage for many "water" exposures that are extremely difficult to obtain on the open market and, if they are located, are very expensive to purchase. Our training programs have expanded to include almost all areas where exposure to liability, workers' compensation or property exist. With all of these accomplishments, we still successfully provide the most competitive and complete package of coverage for water agencies available today. I am truly proud of the organization and what it has achieved.

Although the water industry is facing some very difficult situations this year, it is my hope and desire that we at the ACWA/JPIA can prevent insurance from becoming one of them. I would enjoy continuing for another three years as the President of the ACWA/JPIA and, if you elect to concur, I do appreciate your support.

Sincerely,

Wes Bannister

Encl: Concurring Nomination form
ACWA/JPIA e-letter