

APPENDIX G

SAMPLE WATER SHORTAGE CONTINGENCY RESOLUTION

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

City and County of San Francisco

RESOLUTION NO. _____

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) obtains water from the Hetch Hetchy Water and Power project and local Bay Area reservoirs; and

WHEREAS, The SFPUC has determined that a shortage condition exists because the projected available water supply is less than projected system-wide water purchases in the upcoming Supply Year beginning July 1; and

WHEREAS, In 2000 the SFPUC and Suburban Purchases adopted an Interim Water Shortage Allocation Plan (IWSAP or “Tier One Plan”) and an Interim Water Shortage Allocation Plan Among Suburban Purchasers (“Tier Two Plan”); and

WHEREAS, The Tier One Plan describes the method for allocating water between the SFPUC and the Suburban (wholesale) Purchasers collectively during shortages caused by drought; and

WHEREAS, The Tier Two Plan describes the method for allocating the water made available by the SFPUC during shortages caused by drought among the Suburban Purchasers (individually), when the SFPUC determines that a system-wide water shortage due to drought exists; and

WHEREAS, In 2001 the SFPUC adopted a Retail Water Shortage Allocation Plan (RWSAP) as a guidance tool to be used for allocating water amongst Retail customers in the event of a water shortage due to drought; and

WHEREAS, The RWSAP details a three-stage program of action to be taken to reduce Retail water use during drought, with Stage 1 consisting of voluntary measures, Stage 2 of mandatory measures and Stage 3 of more severe mandatory measures; and

WHEREAS, Depending on the level of water demand and the desired objective for water use reduction, one, two or all three stages of the RWSAP may be required; and

WHEREAS, Staff has made the final determination of available water supply required by the Tier One Plan with the SFPUC's suburban (wholesale) water customers, including, among other things, stored water, projected runoff, water acquired by the SFPUC from non-SFPUC sources, inactive storage, reservoir losses, and an allowance for carryover storage; and

WHEREAS, The SFPUC has determined that the available water supply is insufficient and that unless water consumption is decreased there may be insufficient water supplies for human consumption, sanitation and fire protection needs; and

WHEREAS, Decreases in water consumption may be achieved by voluntary or mandatory conservation measures by Retail and Wholesale water customers; and

WHEREAS, Decreases in water consumption may be achieved by implementing the voluntary and/or mandatory shortage allocation provisions of the Tier One Plan and the RWSAP; and

WHEREAS, Staff has, in accordance with Section II.C of the RWSAP, presented the water supply situation and other required information at a regularly scheduled Commission meeting for public input, and advertised this the meeting in accordance with the requirements of California Water Code Section 6066 of the Government Code; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the SFPUC declares a Water Shortage Emergency pursuant to sections 350 et. seq. of the California Water Code; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the SFPUC directs staff to determine the amount of water allocated to the Suburban Purchasers collectively pursuant to Section 2.1 of the Tier One Plan, and to allocate the available water supply among individual wholesale water customers based on information received from the Bay Area Water Supply and Conservation Agency in accordance with Section 2.2 of the Tier One Plan, and the Section 2 of the Tier Two Plan; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the SFPUC directs staff to take all other necessary steps to implement the Tier One Plan, including but not limited to provisions related to establishment of monthly water budgets and the creation of water shortage bank accounts; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the SFPUC directs staff to take all necessary steps to implement the RWSAP, including Stage 1, Stage 2 and/or Stage 3 measures, as required to meet water use reduction goals based on reduced water supplies from the Regional Water System; and be it further

FURTHER RESOLVED [*for mandatory rationing stages only*], That, in accordance with the IWSAP (“Tier One Plan”) Section 4.1 and the RWSAP Section II.B, the SFPUC adopts the following schedule of excess use charges applicable to its suburban (Wholesale) and Retail customers:

If Water Purchases Exceed the Shortage Allocation by:	The Excess Use Charge Multiplier is:
Up to 10.00% 10.01% to 20.00% 20.01% or more	2 8 10

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I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Public Utilities Commission at its meeting of _____

Secretary, Public Utilities Commission