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Ms. Irene Yamashita
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Dear Ms. Yamashita:

The Department of Water Resources (DWR) has reviewed the Mammoth Community Water District (MCWD) 2010 Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP) received on November 28, 2011. The California Water Code (CWC) directs DWR to report to the legislature once every five years on the status of submitted plans. In meeting this legislative reporting requirement, DWR reviews all submitted plans.

DWR's review of MCWD's 2010 plan has generally found that the plan has addressed the requirements of the CWC, with one exception. MCWD, in calculating its service area population, did not follow Methodology 2: service area population from the *Methodologies for Calculating Baseline and Compliance Year Water Use*. DWR recognizes that the population methodology does not currently account or adjust for transient populations. DWR plans to work with its Urban Stakeholder Committee and with suppliers who have a large transient population to consider adjustments that could be added to the population methodology to account for transient population. DWR will notify MCWD of the schedule and process for revising Methodology 2 and will seek the MCWD's input and comments on the revisions.

Since the population methodology will likely be revised, DWR will not request that MCWD change the population calculations in its 2010 UWMP, but will request that MCWD use the revised population methodology in its 2015 UWMP. The use of the revised methodology in 2015 may result in different estimates of the service area population which could change the MCWD's average baseline and water use targets.

DWR's review of plans is limited to assessing whether suppliers have addressed the required legislative elements. In its review, DWR does not evaluate nor analyze the supplier's UWMP data, projections, or water management strategies. This letter simply acknowledges that MCWD's UWMP has addressed these requirements. The results of the review will also be provided to DWR's Financial Assistance Branch.

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If you have any questions regarding the review of the plan or urban water management planning, please don't hesitate to email or call.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peter Brostrom', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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