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MWDOC Board of Directors
Municipal Water District of Orange County
P.O. Box 20895
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RE: August 10, 2020 Special Board Meeting, Item #1 Appointment of MWDOC MET Director

Dear MWDOC Board,

Mesa Water District (Mesa Water®) is in favor of a MWDOC MET delegation that provides balanced and equitable representation to all of Orange County as has been achieved in the past. The staff recommendation for the appointment of a new MET director will unbalance the representation with one half of the delegation residing in just one agency's boundaries, and 3 of 4 representatives representing South County Agencies.

We believe the balance of agencies represented by the previous delegation was good for the MWDOC service area, giving equal voice and representation to all areas, and especially given that no single member agency had more than one representative from their service area.

The proposed MET delegation will underrepresent Central and North Orange County and the Basin Agencies. Mesa Water® is encouraging the MWDOC board to defer action on this item until better balance of MET representation can be achieved.

Sincerely,

Shawn Dewane, Board President
Mesa Water District

c: MWDOC Board of Directors
MWDOC General Manager Robert J. Hunter
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