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Subject: Approval of Amendment to the Water Supply Agreement with San Francisco

Dear _____:

Cities Association of Santa Clara County (CASCC) urges (name of city, water district, water company)'s governing body to approve as soon as possible the proposed amendment to the Water Supply Agreement recently negotiated by the Bay Area Water Supply and Conservation Agency (BAWSCA) and the City and County of San Francisco and recently approved by the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission. The amendment, once approved, prevents San Francisco from draining Hetch Hetchy Reservoir, or abandoning or decommissioning O'Shaughnessy Dam that forms the Reservoir, unless the signatories further amend the contract to address water supply reliability, water quality and allocation of costs.

Art Jensen, CEO of BAWSCA, met with CASCC's Board of Directors on September 13, 2012 to explain this important opportunity to protect water customers in your agency's service area and the service areas of other BAWSCA member agencies. The Board of Directors unanimously voted to endorse BAWSCA's plan.

Approving this amendment will provide much greater future certainty of the vitally important water supply for 1.7 million residential, business and community water users outside of San Francisco that currently depend on Hetch Hetchy Reservoir.

CASCC believes this is a very helpful result of BAWSCA's leadership on behalf of the 26 agencies and their water customers, whose interests BAWSCA represents.

Sincerely,

cc: Arthur Jensen, CEO, Bay Area Water Supply and Conservation Agency