(R-83-1767)

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 258601

Adopted on JUN 06 1983

WHEREAS, the federal Western Area Power Administration

(WAPA) allocates hydroelectric power in California, New Mexico,

Arizona and Nevada through "marketing rules;" and

WHEREAS, once these rules are established, congressional action is the only way in which they can be changed; and

WHEREAS, because of fifty-year old agreements that allocate this power to public utilities first, San Diego Gas & Electric (SDG&E) has no ongoing source of hydroelectric power; and

WHEREAS, this certainly contributes to our high electrical energy costs, now at eight cents per kilowatt hour versus hydroelectric power costs at one-half cent per kilowatt hour; and

WHEREAS, in order to obtain some hydroelectric power for our area, Assemblyman Larry Stirling earlier proposed that the City participate in a joint powers agency that might qualify for a priority allocation of cheaper power from Hoover Dam, the Joint Powers Agency being a "paper utility" that passed along any hydroelectric power to SDG&E for distribution; and

WHEREAS, WAPA has stated that a joint powers agency would not provide SDG&E with public entity status because such

agreements are "not consistent" with their preference policy, and therefore, we need an alternative which would guarantee this region a share of hydroelectric power; and

WHEREAS, the San Diego County Water Authority has, as an alternative, applied to WAPA for a 30 million kilowatt hour portion of new Hoover Dam power for the treatment of 30,000 acre feet per year of brackish water and desalinization, said amount of energy being roughly proportional to our share of population in the WAPA service area; and

WHEREAS, in order for the County Water Authority to have an opportunity to achieve this allocation, they are seeking to amend S. 268, (McClure, R-Idaho), hoping to obtain congressional approval of what WAPA has negotiated in the allocation of new hydroelectric power from Hoover Dam; and

WHEREAS, the Intergovernmental Relations Department (IRD) recommended to the Rules Committee that the City withhold its endorsement of the County Water Authority's proposed amendment to S. 268 until further facts are gathered and evaluated; and

WHEREAS, the Rules Committee on May 16, 1983, considered and approved the recommendation of IRD contained in its Report No. 83-37, dated May 11, 1983, and recommends that the full Council express similar approval; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, that this Council hereby approves and adopts the recommendations of the Intergovernmental Relations Department, as set forth in

R- 258601 00756 its IRD Report No. 83-37, dated May 11, 1983, in respect to withholding endorsement of a proposed amendment to S. 268 (McClure, R-Idaho).

APPROVED: John W. Witt, City Attorney

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Chief Deputy City Attorney

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