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ATTENTION: Honorable Mayor and City Council

SUBJECT: Appointment of Water Department Assistant Director

SUMMARY

THIS IS AN INFORMATION ITEM ONLY. NO ACTION IS REQUIRED ON THE PART OF THE CITY COUNCIL.

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Charles Yackly as the Assistant Water Department Director, effective July 19, 2004. This position is responsible for coordinating and directing the operational and administrative activities of the Water Department.

Charles has been with the City for 30 years. His career began in 1974 as a Junior Accountant for the Model Cities Project. He then moved to the Water Utilities Department promoting from Administrative Trainee to Supervising Administrative Analyst performing a variety of fiscal, budget, contract and grant functions. In 1989, he became the Assistant Deputy Director in the Systems Division of the Water Utilities Department where he managed the operations and maintenance of the water distribution and wastewater collection systems, including engineering and administrative support functions. Charles has held three Deputy Director positions in the City of San Diego. Two of the positions were in the Water Department (Services Division and Business Operations Manager) and one in the Metropolitan Wastewater Department as Wastewater Collection Division Deputy Director.

In summary, his talents in the areas of administration, finance, budget, and field operations will be very valuable as the City tackles the many important water issues in the years ahead.

Charles, his wife, Kelly, and two children live in Mission Hills. Charles is a member of the City Manager's Labor Advisory Committee and serves on the Board of Directors of the San Diego Municipal Credit Union.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Mendes Deputy City Manager