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## **Board of Water Commissioners**

November 4, 2021 Board Meeting

CHRISTOPHER J. GARNER, General Manager

## **Subject**

Authorize the General Manager to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the Hyatt Regency to allow for the installation of dual output communication modules.

## **Executive Summary**

The Hyatt Regency Long Beach (Hyatt) uses a Utility Monitoring System (UMS) to monitor its utilities, including water, to assist with maintenance, budgeting, and conservation. In order to function, the UMS requires pulse output signals from the four water meters supplying water to the hotel, but the replacement of the pre-existing water meters by LBWD as part of the Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) deployment disrupted the signal transmissions to the UMS. Hyatt has identified, and LBWD staff has reviewed and approved, a dual output communication module solution which will allow the necessary signals to be simultaneously transmitted to the LBWD AMI system as well as the Hyatt UMS.

A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) will document the conditions under which LBWD shall allow Hyatt to install the dual output communication modules. The MOU will specify that Hyatt shall be responsible for purchasing and installing the dual output modules as well as accept all responsibility for any ongoing and future repairs or maintenance. Hyatt shall indemnify and release LBWD from any liability resulting from the dual output module and agrees that the LBWD may revoke this MOU at any time for any reason.

## Recommendation

Authorize the General Manager to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the Hyatt Regency to allow for the installation of dual output communication modules.

**Fiscal Impact:** There is no fiscal impact associated with the recommendation.

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