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## METROPOLITAN BOARD CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT REGARDING BOARD ACTION TO PRESERVE CONSERVATION INCENTIVES FOR SAN DIEGO RESIDENTS, BUSINESSES

*John V. Foley, chairman of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, issued the following statement regarding today's board action to continue conservation incentives to San Diego County residents and businesses, despite San Diego County Water Authority lawsuit challenging MWD rate structure:*

“The incentives offered through our regional conservation programs are important to all of Southern California, including San Diego County residents and businesses. The board voted to continue offering water-saving incentives in San Diego County, despite the Water Authority’s ongoing litigation against Metropolitan. The board’s action demonstrates Metropolitan’s commitment to meeting the statewide conservation goal of 20 percent by 2020, as outlined in the 2009 state legislation sponsored by Metropolitan. Conservation and water-use efficiency are key elements of Metropolitan’s long-term plans to ensure water reliability for the region.”

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*The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California is a cooperative of 26 cities and water agencies serving nearly 19 million people in six counties. The district imports water from the Colorado River and Northern California to supplement local supplies, and helps its members to develop increased water conservation, recycling, storage and other resource-management programs.*