



# Report!

Board of Directors Summary for **April 4, 2001**

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## Work Session

The Board of Directors recognized several employees for their lengths of service.

15 years:

**Stephen Crombie**, Associate Chemist, Water Quality

10 years:

**Nancy Frye**, Training and Development Coordinator, Human Resources/Risk Management

**Denise Gierhart**, Lab Technician II, Water Quality

**Scott Gierhart**, Chemist, Water Quality

**Ken Marshall**, Laboratory Manager, Water Quality

In other discussions, **Anthony J. Pack**, Deputy General Manager, reported on energy-related matters. He noted that California faces the potential of a 3,000-5,000 megawatt shortfall this summer. Complicating the situation is the uncertainty whether the Air Quality Management District will allow EMWD and other water and sewer agencies to use more of their own power generation. Many agencies have emergency generating capacity that is permitted for no more than 200 hours annually. As with other agencies, EMWD has already used a majority of permitted generating hours. EMWD has petitioned the California Public Utilities Commission to exempt us from future rolling blackouts. One other uncertainty is the severity of those blackouts, considering the extent customers will implement further conservation as new, higher electric rates become effective. He reminded the board that several procedures are in place at EMWD facilities to minimize blackouts, many of which were implemented in response to potential Y2K problems.

**John Brudin**, General Manager, brought the board up to date on a planned water outreach meeting with major water producers in the San Jacinto Valley April 16. He also reported on an amicable conclusion to a law suit by the city of Hemet re: sewer service; his appointment by Riverside County to an 18-member committee on biosolids; a request from the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority for input on the upcoming SAWPA budget, and a summary of costs involved with recent bond refinancing and related matters.

In other action, the Directors approved the sale of .26 acres in Murrieta to Pacific Century Homes where EMWD no longer has use for a former well site. That land will be used for flood control.

...approved and authorized the purchase of 10 acres and facilities planning for Daily II, a two-million-gallon water storage tank in Menifee. Total estimated project cost is \$2.7 million. The project will be financed from Service Area No. 41 (Mills Treatment) Restricted Water Tank Fund.

...adopted Resolution No. 3466, annexing 8.81 acres owned by Howard Omdahl in the city of Murrieta to the 70th Fringe Area.

...received a report that the Reach 4 discharge of recycled water into Temescal Creek, at 270 million gallons so far, has increased the capacity of EMWD's temporary storage to 19 percent. The discharge is scheduled to be halted Friday, April 6.

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