

Exhibit A
Imported Water Purchase Agreement
DEFINITIONS

“Base Allocation” means the Purchaser’s share of the District’s base amount with Metropolitan (defined as the “Initial Base Demand” in the District’s purchase order with Metropolitan). The Purchaser’s Base Allocation is used to calculate both the Tier 1 Annual Maximum (90% of Base Allocation) and the Purchase Commitment (60% of Base Allocation times five). Initially, the Base Allocation is determined as the five-year average of Purchaser’s non-surplus imported water purchases from District, from fiscal years ending 1997 through 2001, plus a prorated adjustment to account for the District’s Initial Base Demand. As described in the Adjustments and Renewals section above, Base Allocation may be increased or decreased if the District can accommodate a Purchaser’s request.

“Imported Water” means imported water supplied by Metropolitan and sold by the District to Purchaser. Imported Water does not include Long-Term Seasonal Storage Service and other surplus categories of supplies.

“Purchaser” means a customer of the District that has entered into a Purchase Agreement with the District.

“Purchase Commitment” means the amount of Imported Water that Purchaser agrees to purchase from District. Purchase Commitment must be at least 60% of the Base Allocation times five. Deliveries of surplus imported water supplies, including but not limited to Long-Term Seasonal Storage Service, will not count towards the Purchase Commitment.

“Term” means the term of this Purchase Agreement as specified above.

“Tier 1 Annual Maximum” means an amount equal to 90% of the Base Allocation.

“Tier 1 Rate” means the price charged by the District for deliveries of Imported Water to Purchaser in an amount up to the Tier 1 Annual Maximum. The initial Tier 1 Rate is \$467 per acre-foot.

“Tier 2 Rate” means the price charged by the District for deliveries of Imported Water to Purchaser in an amount greater than the Tier 1 Annual Maximum. The initial Tier 2 Rate is \$548 per acre-foot.

“Tier 1 Supply Rate” means Metropolitan’s per acre-foot Tier 1 Supply Rate, as determined from time to time by Metropolitan’s Board of Directors. The initial Tier 1 Supply Rate is \$73 per acre-foot.

“Tier 2 Supply Rate” means Metropolitan’s per acre-foot Tier 2 Supply Rate, as determined from time to time by Metropolitan’s Board of Directors. The initial Tier 2 Supply Rate is \$154 per acre-foot.