

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

City and County of San Francisco

RESOLUTION NO. _____

WHEREAS, On January 31, 2014, the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) asked all SFPUC customers to voluntarily curtail water consumption by at least 10%; and

WHEREAS, On July 15, 2014, the State Water Resources Control Board adopted emergency regulations, Resolution 2014-0038, which require urban water suppliers to implement all requirements and actions of its water shortage contingency plan that impose mandatory restrictions on outdoor irrigation; and

WHEREAS, The Retail Water Shortage Allocation Plan (Plan) adopted by the SFPUC as part of the Urban Water Management Plan provides guidance for allocating water among SFPUC retail water customers in the event of a water shortage due to drought; and

WHEREAS, On August 12th, 2014, the SFPUC imposed mandatory restrictions on outdoor irrigation of ornamental landscapes or turf with potable water by retail customers of at least 10%; and

WHEREAS, The SFPUC caused a notice of public hearing on the proposed excessive use charges for the use of potable water on ornamental landscaping and turf to be published in the official newspaper on August 9th through August 13th, 2014, and posted as required by the Commission; and

WHEREAS, The Bureau of Environmental Management has determined enactment of the proposed excess use charges is exempt from environmental review under California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15269 (Emergency Projects) and 15308 (Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of the Environment); now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Commission hereby adopts excess water use charges, effective October 1, 2014, applicable to outdoor irrigation of ornamental landscapes or turf with potable water by retail customers, in excess of the allocations determined by the General Manager consistent with this Resolution, and billed at the beginning of the subsequent fiscal year, at two-times the applicable water rate; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Commission hereby adopts the proposed regulations for administering the excess use charges, determining irrigation water use allocations, and considering allocation and exception determinations.

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Public Utilities Commission at its meeting of August 26, 2014.

Secretary, Public Utilities Commission