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Dear Community Leader:

On behalf of the Municipal Water District of Orange County (MWDOC) Board of Directors, I would like to invite you and your colleagues to our next water policy forum and dinner for Orange County leaders on Tuesday, August 1, 2006, from 6–8:30 p.m. at the Hilton Costa Mesa.

As our keynote speaker for the evening, we are pleased to have State Senate Minority Leader Dick Ackerman. He will share his thoughts on funding infrastructure in California, the political dynamics of water in the Legislature, what the water community must do to more effectively advocate its priorities, and whether a legislative water bond is viable for the 2008 ballot.

Senator Ackerman played an instrumental role this year in the negotiation of a \$37.3 billion legislative infrastructure bond package that will appear on the November ballot. The negotiations resulted in bonds for education, housing, flood and levee protection, and transportation. Funding for the full scope of water-related projects originally proposed by Governor Schwarzenegger was deferred, however, including a mechanism for funding ongoing and future water infrastructure.

We will look to Senator Ackerman to provide his insight and guidance on how greater support can be secured for improved water policy in the State Legislature. We will also have an opportunity to share our thoughts on how state and regional water needs can best be met – to support our population, economy, and quality of life; and how the state can more effectively coordinate with the water community to plan and fund our water future.

To confirm your attendance for this event, please complete the enclosed reservation form and fax it to MWDOC no later than Wednesday, July 26, 2006. For additional information, please call Lorraine Roy at (714) 593-5013.

I look forward to seeing you at the Hilton Costa Mesa on Tuesday, August 1.

Sincerely,

Susan Hinman
 Board President



The Municipal Water District of Orange County

cordially invites you to attend a special dinner

featuring

Hon. Dick Ackerman

Minority Leader
California State Senate

The Politics of Funding Water Infrastructure: The Critical Role that Water Leaders Play in Developing Legislative Policy

TUESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2006

Hilton Costa Mesa
3050 Bristol Street
Costa Mesa, CA 92626
(South of the 405 Freeway)

\$55.00 per person (parking included)

No host bar

Business attire

Reception 6:00 p.m.

Dinner 7:00 p.m.

Program 7:30 p.m.

**Please complete and return this reservation form
no later than Wednesday, July 26, 2006**

Name: _____ Title: _____

Agency/Company: _____ Elected: ___ Staff: ___ Guest: ___

Address: _____

Number of tickets: _____ @ \$55.00

Meal Selection: Chicken _____ Fish _____ Vegetarian _____

Total Payment Amount: \$ _____

Checks payable to "Municipal Water District of Orange County." Advance payment preferred.

All cancellations after July 26 and event "No-Shows" will be billed full amount.

Please return this form via fax to...

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