STAFF REPORT

To: Board of Directors

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Informational Report: North American Water Loss Conference 2017

The Water Resources Analyst attended the North American Water Loss Conference the first week in December. It was presented by the California-Nevada Section of the American Water Works Association with cooperation from the Alliance for Water Efficiency, the EPA WaterSense Program and the American Water Works Association.

The conference opened with a keynote speech by Peter Grevatt, the Director of the Office of Groundwater and Drinking Water at the US EPA. The luncheon keynote speakers included Felicia Marcus, the chair of the California State Water Resources Control Board and Roland Liemberger a consultant specializing in reducing non-revenue water and water utility improvement projects around the world.

For California water agencies, there was special interest in a panel discussion regarding the growing impacts on water utilities from water loss control regulations and reporting. Max Gromberg from the California State Water Resources Control Board provided information on the implementation of Senate Bill 555, which requires an annual validated water audit. In addition, there was a session with Todd Thompson of the California Department of Water Resources where he discussed his experience in developing the regulations for the annual water loss audit submittals.

The Water Resources Analyst participated in learning modules on Customer Meter Management for Effective Revenue Protection, Managing Production Flow Meter Installations and Volumes of Water Supplied and Guidance on Advanced Metering Infrastructure.

