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# ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA WATER AGENCIES JOINT POWERS INSURANCE AUTHORITY (ACWA JPIA)

#### MEMORANDUM OF PROPERTY COVERAGE

## **FORM NO. MOPC-070123**

This Memorandum of Property Coverage (MOPC) sets forth the terms, conditions, and limitations of coverage provided to a **Member Agency** under the MOPC. The terms of this MOPC may not be changed or waived except by amendment made a part of this MOPC.

Throughout this MOPC, words and phrases that appear in **bold** have special meaning. They are defined in Section I, "Definitions".

## <u>SECTION I – DEFINITIONS</u>

In addition to the definitions provided in the **purchased insurance or reinsurance**, the following additional definitions apply to the MOPC:

- 1. **Authority** shall mean the Association of California Water Agencies Joint Powers Insurance Authority.
- 2. **Loss** shall have the same meaning as in the **purchased insurance or reinsurance**.
- 3. **Member Agency** means the local public agency, designated in the DECLARATIONS, which is a party signatory to the Joint Powers Agreement creating the Association of California Water Agencies Joint Powers Insurance Authority and is a participant in its Property Program.
- Covered Party shall mean a Member Agency who has sustained a loss which is covered under this MOPC.
- Purchased insurance or reinsurance shall mean insurance or reinsurance purchased by the Authority for the benefit of the Authority and the Covered Party and specifically identified in the Declarations.
- 6. **Cyber liability** shall mean damage or **loss** arising from or related to electronic media or technology errors and omissions, including, but not limited to, property damage, data loss, alteration, corruption, destruction,

deletion or damage to or inability to access or transmit data, transmission or failure prevent transmission of malicious code or virus, damage to electronic data or other property from malicious code or virus, unauthorized access to or distribution of private or confidential information, cyber extortion, data protection, business interruption loss, privacy notification expenses and costs, penalties for regulatory defense or other penalties, or any other **loss**, cost, or damage arising out of or related to the acquisition, storage, security, use, misuse, disclosure, or transmission of electronic data of any kind.

7. **Extra Expense** is defined as the excess (if any) of the total cost incurred during the period of restoration chargeable to the operation of the Covered Party's business, over and above the total cost that would normally have been incurred to conduct the business during the same period had no damage or destruction occurred. Any salvage value of property obtained for temporary use during the period of restoration, which remains after the resumption of normal operations, shall be taken into consideration in the adjustment of any **loss** hereunder.

## SECTION II – COVERAGE AGREEMENT

- 1. The **Authority** will reimburse the **Covered Party** named on the Declarations for **losses** to scheduled property that is insured by the terms and conditions of the **purchased insurance** or **reinsurance**, less any applicable **Covered Party** deductible. All property must be scheduled prior to **loss** or within 90 days of acquisition in order for coverages and limits under the MOPC, or **purchased insurance** or **reinsurance**, to apply.
- This MOPC incorporates the terms, provisions, and conditions of the purchased insurance or reinsurance except with regard to that portion of any loss which is the subject of this MOPC.

# SECTION III - LIMIT OF LIABILITY

The limit of liability of the **Authority** for each **loss** shall be the amount of the deductible as specified under the **purchased insurance or reinsurance**, less the applicable **Covered Party** deductible under this MOPC, but in no event more than the amount stated in the Declarations.

# SECTION IV - DEDUCTIBLE

The **Authority's** liability under Section III above shall be reduced by any applicable **Covered Party** deductible.

# **SECTION V – COVERAGE PERIOD**

This MOPC applies to **losses** occurring during the coverage period defined in the Declarations.

# **SECTION VI – EXCLUSIONS**

In addition to any exclusions set forth in the **purchased insurance or reinsurance**, this MOPC does not apply to:

 Contamination by "pollutants" introduced at any time, into, under or upon land, water, or the atmosphere, or any watercourse or body of water or aquifer. This exclusion applies whether or not the contamination is introduced intentionally or accidentally or gradually or suddenly and whether or not the **Covered Party** or any other person or organization is responsible for the contamination.

"Contamination" includes any unclean, unsafe, or unhealthful condition, either actual or potential, which arises out of the presence in the environment of any "pollutant" whether permanent or transient. "Environment" includes land, bodies of water, underground water or water table or aquifer, the atmosphere, and any other natural feature of the earth, whether or not altered, developed or cultivated. "Pollutant" means any solid, liquid, gaseous, or thermal irritant or contaminant, including smoke vapor, soot, fumes, acids, alkalis, chemicals, airborne particles or fibers, molds and/or fungus, and waste, including materials to be discarded or to be recycled, reconditioned, or reclaimed.

This exclusion does not apply to contamination or dispersal of "pollutants" which is itself caused by fire, lightning, impact from aircraft, explosion, riot, civil commotion, smoke, collapse, vehicles, windstorm, hail, vandalism, malicious mischief or leakage and accidental discharge from automatic fire protective systems.

2. War, whether or not declared, insurrection, rebellion, terrorism, or revolution. Terrorism is defined as an act, including but not limited to the use of force or violence and/or the threat thereof, of any person or group(s) of persons, whether acting alone or on behalf of or in connection with any

- organization(s) or government(s), committed for political, religious, ideological or similar purposes including the intention to influence any government and/or to put the public, or any section of the public, in fear.
- Nuclear contamination.
- 4. Damage intentionally caused by or on behalf of a **Covered Party**.
- 5. Liability arising out of any claim for **Cyber Liability** or by any name by which it is called.
- 6. All properties that are not scheduled prior to a **loss**, except new acquisitions are covered for up to 90 days.
- 7. **Extra Expense** does not include the regular salaries and fringe benefits of any employee of a **Covered Party** as well as use of **Covered Party**'s vehicles/equipment, materials and supplies used which are regularly kept in supply at the **Covered Party**. **Extra Expense** does not include overhead/profit or admin fees incurred by the **Covered Party**.

# **SECTION VII - CONDITIONS**

- 1. The **Authority** shall have the same rights as provided to the insurer by the **purchased insurance or reinsurance**.
- 2. If there is insurance other than the **purchased insurance** or **reinsurance** applicable to the **loss** incurred, such insurance, unless it specifically states that it is excess of this coverage, shall reduce the liability of this **Authority** by the amount that insurance is liable for such **loss**.
- 3. In the event of loss covered under this MOPC, the Covered Party shall give immediate notice thereof to the **Authority** of such **loss**.
- 4. If the **Authority** pursues subrogation of a **loss**, the funds from any recovery shall first be allocated to payment of the expenses of the subrogation and then to reimbursement in full for payment of the claim and adjusting expenses. The **Covered Party** shall be reimbursed its deductible from any remaining funds.

#### **SECTION VIII - DISPUTE RESOLUTION**

# 1. Review by Executive Committee and Arbitration

Any claim, dispute or controversy arising out of or relating to this Coverage Agreement shall first be submitted to ACWA JPIA to be reviewed by the Executive Committee of ACWA JPIA. The Executive Committee shall consider all written submissions by either party, and, if requested by either party, provide both parties equal opportunity for oral argument. Unless otherwise agreed by the parties and ACWA JPIA, the Executive Committee shall determine if ACWA JPIA's position should be upheld or if the Member District should be granted coverage according to its position, and the Executive Committee shall issue its decision in writing within thirty (30) days of submission of such claim, dispute or controversy to the Executive Committee. Such written opinion shall briefly state the reasons for its decision.

If a Member District disagrees with the written decision of the Executive Committee, then the Member District may submit, in writing, such claim, dispute or controversy to arbitration to be held in Placer County, California or such other location as the parties may agree upon, in accordance with the Commercial Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association then in effect. There shall be three arbitrators, the Member District and ACWA JPIA each selecting one arbitrator; the third arbitrator shall be selected by the two previously appointed arbitrators. The party demanding arbitration shall name its arbitrator in the demand for arbitration. The responding party shall name its arbitrator within fifteen (15) days after receipt of demand for arbitration. The third arbitrator shall be named within fifteen (15) days after the appointment of the second arbitrator. A Commissioner or Judge in the Placer County Superior Court shall be empowered to appoint any arbitrator not named in accordance with the procedure herein. The decision of the arbitrators shall be final and binding upon the parties.

Any award rendered by the arbitrators shall be final and judgment thereon may be entered by any court having jurisdiction thereof. The panel of arbitrators shall have the discretion to apportion the costs and expenses of the arbitration (including reasonable attorneys' fees) in accordance with the merits of the arbitration. The panel must render its decision by a majority of the panel within ninety (90) days of the appointment of the third arbitrator, following reasonable opportunities for presentation of evidence, law and argument.

These arbitration provisions are intended to bind only the **Authority** and its **Member Agencies**. They are not intended to be binding upon any of the **Authority's** re-insurers or excess carriers.