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TO: Helen Baumann, Chairman
El Dorado County Board of Supervisors

FROM: Ellen Day, President
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DATE: July 16, 2007

REGARDING: Agenda Item 57, Supplement Water Acquisition Project Cost Share Agreement

The Taxpayers Association firmly believes that acquisition of water rights is the most important issue facing El Dorado County and its future. With the recent agreements, we have obtained water storage rights of up to 40,000 acre-feet in SMUD's storage facilities. In order to effectively use this storage, we must gain additional consumptive water rights under the "county-of-origin" water rights doctrine, a process that can be long and expensive.

The Taxpayers Association strongly supports the Supplement Water Acquisition Project Cost Share Agreement per Agenda Item 57, and urges all El Dorado Water & Power Authority (EDWPA) members to join and become ardent supporters of this effort.

CC: EDWPA Members: County of El Dorado
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El Dorado Irrigation District
Georgetown Divide Public Utility District
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