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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Governing Board Members  
**FROM:** Sheryl Wood, General Counsel   
**DATE:** July 31, 2008  
**SUBJECT:** Amendment to contract with Cecile Piverotto, P.A. for legal services,  
(Contract Number 4600000760)

**Background**

The District needs to retain outside counsel relating to legal services to support the District's Regulatory Program.

**How this helps meet the District's 10-Year Strategic Plan**

This amendment provides legal services to supplement limited in-house resources.

**Funding Source:**

Ad valorem funds are budgeted in FY'08 and FY'09 ad valorem funds are subject to Governing Board approval of the FY'09 budget.

**This Board item impacts what areas of the District, both resource areas and geography:**

This item impacts Office of Counsel as well as Water Resources. Without this outside legal service, Office of Counsel staff would not be able to perform other high priority District matters.

**What concerns could this Board item raise?**

To not contract for these legal services could impede the District's ability to provide legal services in the Regulatory Program.

**Why should the Governing Board approve this item?**

Ms. Piverotto has demonstrated her abilities to address complex issues associated with water law and related technical matters with a keen understanding of District hydrology.

Thank you for your review and if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call me.

SGW/ejm