

EXHIBIT 16-A

PART 1: GENERAL RULES

RULE 1: OPEN MEETINGS

Meetings of the Board of Directors of the MPWMD and subcommittees of the Board shall be held as provided by the MPWMD Law and shall comply with the open meeting requirements of the Ralph M. Brown Act.

RULE 2: ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS

At the first meeting in the month of December of each year, the Board of Directors shall elect a Chair, Vice-Chair, a Treasurer, and a Secretary. The agenda for the December meeting will list the election of Board officers as the last item for consideration that evening. The newly elected officers will assume their positions immediately following adjournment of the meeting at which they were elected. At the first meeting after a vacancy occurs in any office, an election shall be conducted to fill that vacancy. If both the Chair and Vice-Chair are absent, the directors in attendance shall select a presiding officer to conduct that meeting.

RULE 2.5: ROTATION OF VICE CHAIR INTO THE POSITION OF CHAIR

The Board shall rotate its leadership among the seven (7) members. To encourage rotation of the Chair, each December when the annual election of Board officers is conducted, or when a vacancy in the position of Chair occurs, the Vice-Chair shall be elected as Chair. Beginning in December 2016, the following rotation shall be used to select the next Vice-Chair.

Division 2 Director
Mayoral Representative
Division 3 Director
Division 1 Director
Division 4 Director
Monterey County Board of Supervisors Representative
Division 5 Director

Thereafter, the rotation shall return to the top of this list.

Should the current Vice Chair decline to serve as incoming Chair, the Board shall select the Director next in rotation to serve as Chair. Should the Director next in rotation for the position of Vice Chair decline to serve in that capacity, the Board shall select the next Director in rotation to serve as Vice Chair. The declining Director shall have an opportunity to serve once the entire rotation schedule is complete and has returned to the Division that opted-out. If the Chair has served less