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Subject: Re the City of LA DWP Ratepayer Advocate Position  
To: [lawilkinson@acm.org](mailto:lawilkinson@acm.org)

Dear Mr. Wilkinson,

I understand that you are on the Selection Committee for the new LA DWP Ratepayer Advocate Position. I want to offer my recommendation for Max Gomberg, now at the State Water Resources Control Board. I have worked with Max in my capacity as the Chair of the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board and as Director of the UCLA Water Resources Group. I have worked with him on State Water Board adaptation policies for climate change, worked with him to pass SB 555, increasing the responsibilities of water agencies to monitor real water losses. I observed his work administering the Emergency Drought Regulations during the drought, and observed his work on lifeline water rates for low income families not being served by a PUC regulated water agency. He has done excellent work, under great pressure. All of his work involves dealing with conflict between contentious parties and he navigates the conflicts in a positive and effective way. He has also been the state spokesman for the Governor and the State Board on the drought, where he did an excellent job.

I did not know him when he worked at the PUC, but I feel that he could not have done such a good job at the State Water Board if he had not had a public policy background and experience in analyzing the complicated budgeting and financing of water agencies, which is necessary for this job.

As a Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board member, I urged Max to apply to replace our retiring Executive Officer last winter, but the timing was not right for him. Now it is, and the City would be fortunate to have Max in this position. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you need any more information.

Sincerely

Madelyn Glickfeld