REPORT FROM

OFFICE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY

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To:          The Board of Water & Power Commissioners
             David Wright, General Manager, Department of Water & Power

From:        Frederick H. Pickel, Ph.D., Executive Director/Ratepayer Advocate

Reference:   IT Procurement
             Agenda Items #29
             Dell Secureworks and FireEye

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. OPA recommends that the Board of the Department of Water & Power (DWP) approve the requested authorization, provided that OPA can review the contract terms before it is executed. (It is unlikely there are cost allocation issues with the City, but if there are, OPA would report back to the Board.)

2. OPA has been informed that this vendor’s selection was previously performed by the City, not DWP. As such, DWP represents it is using a “piggyback” contract, and has made no decisions about the qualifications of these vendors.

3. DWP has represented to OPA that no sub-contracting will be conducted under these new contracts for their term with DWP.

4. OPA recommends the DWP Board request a briefing on the organizational framework for managing the Dell Secureworks and FireEye contracts over their entire term.