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**P. Joseph (Joe) Grindstaff Appointed General Manager
for the Inland Empire Utilities Agency**

Inland Empire - At the Board Meeting of the Inland Empire Utilities Agency (IEUA) on Wednesday, April 17, 2013, the Board of Directors unanimously appointed Mr. Joe Grindstaff as its General Manager. Mr. Grindstaff has thirty years of experience in management and planning in the field of water, wastewater and resource management.

Mr. Grindstaff has served as Interim General Manager of IEUA since January 2013. Prior to that, he served as the Executive Officer for the Delta Stewardship Council from 2010 to 2012, where he organized the Delta Stewardship Council and helped establish the Delta Conservancy. From 2005 to 2010, Mr. Grindstaff served as Director of the California Bay-Delta Authority and also served as Deputy Secretary for Water Policy for the Natural Resources Agency from 2006 to 2010. As Deputy Secretary for Water Policy, Mr. Grindstaff took part in the historic 2009 legislative reform package, coordinated water policy, supported Delta Vision, helped CALFED transition to the new paradigm of co-equal goals and oversaw many resource management activities for the State.

Mr. Grindstaff has served in various management positions including General Manager for the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority, General Manager of Monte Vista Water District, Assistant Operations Branch Manager for Eastern Municipal Water District, Wastewater Systems Manager for the City of Riverside and Wastewater Plant Operations Manager for Salt Lake City.

“The Inland Empire Utilities Agency manifests innovation and environmental stewardship and is well respected for securing grant funding for projects that aid in obtaining a quality water supply,” stated Mr. Grindstaff. “I am looking forward to continuing to work with the Board of Directors and staff to accomplish the goals and objectives IEUA has set forth.”

“We are honored to have Mr. Grindstaff as General Manager for IEUA. His extensive knowledge and experience in water and resource management will be increasingly valuable in maintaining IEUA’s mission and vision,” stated IEUA Board President Terry Catlin.

The Inland Empire Utilities Agency covers 242-square miles, distributes imported water, provides industrial/municipal wastewater collection and treatment services, and other related utility services to more than 850,000 people. The Agency’s service area includes the Cities of Chino, Chino Hills, Fontana, Montclair, Ontario and Upland, as well as the Cucamonga Valley Water District, Monte Vista Water District, and Fontana Water Company.

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