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**The Inland Empire Utilities Agency Welcomes
Tom Ash as Senior Environmental Compliance Officer**

Inland Empire, California – Tom Ash has joined the Inland Empire Utilities Agency (IEUA/Agency) as a Senior Environmental Compliance Officer.

Mr. Ash will be working towards reaching the region's goals for water use efficiency, in particular bringing revenue stability by developing tools that promote sustainable rate structures.

“Given the State and local water situation, it is a significant challenge to attempt to change our relationship with water in the Inland Empire. I hope to bring the many lessons I have learned through my experience along the way to this new position and look forward to working with IEUA on this issue,” stated Mr. Ash.

Mr. Ash has extensive experience in the water industry and education, including several years as a University of California Extension Advisor, serving as a water agency staff member, and acting as an advisor to water agencies for successful rate design. In addition to Mr. Ash’s vast experience in the water industry, he is a horticulture expert and an international author and speaker on water topics.

“We are looking forward to having Mr. Ash as part of the IEUA team,” stated IEUA General Manager P. Joseph Grindstaff. “Mr. Ash’s extensive experience in rate structure, water, and customer service will be an asset toward meeting current and future water challenges.”

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 830,000 people through its member agencies which include Chino, Chino Hills, Cucamonga Valley Water District, Fontana, Fontana Water Company, Montclair, Monte Vista Water District, Ontario, and Upland.

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