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**Inland Empire Utilities Agency Receives
GFOA Distinguished Budget Presentation Award**

Inland Empire, CA – For the 12th consecutive year, the Inland Empire Utilities Agency (IEUA) has been awarded the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award by the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) of the United States and Canada for its Fiscal Year 2016/2017 budget.

The award is the highest form of recognition in government budgeting and represents significant achievement. In order to receive this award, a governmental entity must publish a budget document that meets the highest principles of governmental budgeting and satisfies nationally recognized guidelines for effective budget presentation. These guidelines are designed to assess how well the entity's budget serves as:

- a policy document
- a financial plan
- an operations guide
- a communication device

The budget document must be rated “proficient” in all four categories, including additional mandatory criteria within those categories.

“The Board of Directors commend the Finance and Accounting Departments for their hard work and continued success in receiving this award for the 12th consecutive year,” commented IEUA Board President Steve Elie. “IEUA’s receipt of this award exemplifies our continuing commitment to the values of fiscal responsibility, efficient business practices, accountability, and dedication to transparency.”

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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 875,000 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.