

**PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT  
FOR  
LONG TERM STORAGE CREDITS**

This Purchase and Sale Agreement is made this 1<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2015, (the "Effective Date"), between the Central Arizona Water Conservation District ("CAWCD"), a multi-county water conservation district organized and existing under the laws of the State of Arizona, and Metropolitan Domestic Water Improvement District ("Metro"), a political subdivision of the State of Arizona.

**RECITALS**

A. CAWCD operates the Central Arizona Project ("CAP"). CAWCD also provides replenishment services to member lands and member service areas under authorities provided in Title 48, Chapter 22, Article 4 of the Arizona Revised Statutes. These replenishment authorities are commonly referred to as the Central Arizona Groundwater Replenishment District or CAGR. CAGR is not a separate legal entity, but functions within and is operated by CAWCD.

B. CAWCD desires to purchase Long-Term Storage Credits developed by Metro pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes Title 45, Chapter 3.1, for the benefit of CAGR member lands and member service areas.

C. Metro is willing to sell and transfer certain Long-Term Storage Credits to CAWCD under the price, terms and conditions set forth herein.

NOW THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are acknowledged, and intending to be legally bound, the parties hereby agree as follows:

**ARTICLE 1  
DEFINITIONS**

As used in this Agreement, the following terms, when capitalized, shall mean:

1.1 "ADWR" means the Arizona Department of Water Resources.

1.2 "Agreement" means this Purchase and Sale Agreement for Long-Term Storage Credits.

1.3 "Annual Long-Term Storage Credit Volume" means for any given year during the term of this Agreement, the annual volume of Long-Term Storage Credits to be acquired by CAWCD in that year as indicated in the Annual Notice submitted by Metro to CAWCD pursuant to Article 3.1 below.

1.4 "Annual Purchase Price" means the annual purchase price for Long-Term Storage Credits to be transferred pursuant to the terms of this Agreement as calculated pursuant to Article 2.2 below.

1.5 "CAWCD" means the Central Arizona Water Conservation District.

1.6 "CAGRDR" means the Central Arizona Groundwater Replenishment District, the replenishment authority operated by CAWCD.

1.7 "CAGRDR's Account(s)" means (i) the long-term storage account established pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes § 45-859.01 for the Tucson Active Management Area, account No. 70-411120.0001; (ii) the conservation district account established pursuant Arizona Revised Statutes § 45-859.01 for the Tucson Active Management Area, Account No. 75-411120 and/or the (iii) the conservation district replenishment reserve subaccount for the Tucson Active Management Area, account No 70-411120.0002.

1.8 "CMID Groundwater Savings Facility" means the Cortaro-Marana Irrigation District Groundwater Savings Facility, ADWR Facility permit number 72-538100.0007.

1.9 "Initial Year" means the calendar year after the year in which ADWR first credits effluent Long-Term Storage Credits, accrued at the CMID Groundwater Savings Facility, to Metro's Long-Term Storage Account.

1.10 "Long-Term Storage Credit" is as defined in Arizona Revised Statutes § 45-802.01(11).

1.11 "Long-Term Storage Credit Transfer Form" is a form, approved by ADWR, to effectuate the assignment of Long-Term Storage Credits, as defined in Arizona Revised Statutes § 45-854.01(B), and more specifically described in Article 3 below.

1.12 "Metro" means Metropolitan Domestic Water Improvement District.

1.13 "Metro's Long-Term Storage Account" means the account established pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes § 45-852.01 in Metro's name, account No. 70-411130.0000.

## **ARTICLE 2 PURCHASE OF LONG-TERM STORAGE CREDITS**

2.1 Sale and Purchase. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, beginning in the Initial Year, each year during the term of this Agreement, Metro agrees to sell, transfer and assign to CAWCD a minimum of 250 acre-feet, up to a maximum of 1,000 acre-feet, of Long-Term Storage Credits to CAWCD. CAWCD agrees to purchase, accept and pay for such Long-Term Storage Credits. Provided however, Metro shall not be obligated to sell, transfer and assign Long-Term Storage Credits to CAWCD pursuant to this Agreement, for any year in which Metro is unable, for reasons beyond its control, to store effluent and/or accrue effluent Long-Term Storage Credits at the CMID Groundwater Savings Facility.

2.2 Annual Purchase Price. The Annual Purchase Price for the Long-Term Storage Credits to be transferred pursuant to this Agreement will vary from year to year and shall be based on components of the CAP published rate schedule. The Annual Purchase Price for the Long-Term

Storage Credits to be transferred each year pursuant to this Agreement shall be calculated as follows:

$$AP = [(CAP \text{ Fixed OM\&R Charge}^* + CAP \text{ Pumping Energy Charge}^* + CAP \text{ Underground Water Storage O\&M Charge for the Tucson AMA}^* \text{ or } \$15, \text{ whichever is greater}) \times 1.02] \times \text{Annual Long-Term Storage Credit Volume for the applicable year}$$

*where*

AP = the Annual Purchase Price for Long-Term Storage Credits transferred in the applicable year

\*As published in CAP's Annual Rate Schedule for the year in which the credits are transferred.

2.3 Type of Water. It is the intent of the parties that all Long-Term Storage Credits purchased and sold under this Agreement shall retain the identity of the source of water used to generate such Long-Term Storage Credits.

2.4 Long-Term Storage Credits.

2.4.1 The Long-Term Storage Credits to be sold by Metro are from Metro's Long-Term Storage Account and shall be transferred to CAGR's Account(s) subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

2.4.2 The Long-Term Storage Credits to be sold by Metro were stored, or will be stored, at the CMID Groundwater Savings Facility pursuant to ADWR Facility Permit number 72-538100.0007 and ADWR water storage permit number 73-538100.0302.

### **ARTICLE 3 TIME AND MANNER OF TRANSFER**

3.1 Annual Notice. On or before January 15 of the Initial Year and on or before January 15 of each year thereafter during the term of this Agreement, Metro shall notify CAWCD of the volume of Long-Term Storage Credits Metro intends to sell to CAWCD during such year (the "Annual Long-Term Storage Credit Volume"), subject to the minimum and maximum annual transfer volumes set forth in Article 2.1 above.

3.2 Long-Term Storage Credit Transfer Form. On or before February 15 of the Initial Year, and on or before February 15 of each year thereafter during the term of this Agreement, Metro and CAWCD shall complete, sign and deliver the Long-Term Storage Credit Transfer Form to evidence the transfer of the Annual Long-Term Storage Credit Volume for that year. A copy of the Long-Term Storage Credit Transfer Form is attached as Exhibit A to this Agreement. If ADWR adopts a different Long-Term Storage Credit Transfer form, then the Parties shall utilize that form instead. On or before February 15 of the Initial Year, and on or before February 15 of each year thereafter during the term of this Agreement, CAWCD shall submit a fully executed Long-Term Storage Credit Transfer Form to ADWR.

3.3 Additional Actions and Documentation. CAWCD shall pay any administrative fees established by ADWR to effectuate the transfer of Long-Term Storage Credits into CAGRD's Account(s). The parties shall cooperate to take such further actions and execute such further documents as may be determined by either party to be necessary or advisable in order to complete the transfer of the Long-Term Storage Credits contemplated by this Agreement.

#### **ARTICLE 4 COMPLETION OF DELIVERY AND PAYMENT**

4.1 Completion of Delivery. Delivery of the Annual Long-Term Storage Credit Volume for a particular year shall be deemed complete when ADWR notifies CAWCD in writing that it has received and accepted the Long-Term Storage Credit Transfer Form and intends to transfer Long-Term Storage Credits equal to the Annual Long-Term Storage Credit Volume for such year from Metro's Long-Term Storage Account to CAGRD's Account(s).

4.2 Payment. Each year during the term of this Agreement, within 30 (thirty) days after receiving written notification from ADWR that it has received and accepted the Long-Term Storage Credit Transfer Form and intends to transfer the Annual Long-Term Storage Credit Volume to CAGRD's Account(s), CAWCD shall pay Metro the Annual Purchase Price as calculated pursuant to Article 2.2 above.

#### **ARTICLE 5 REJECTION OR INVALIDATION OF TRANSFER**

If ADWR, pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes § 45-854.01(C), rejects or invalidates any transfer or assignment of Long-Term Storage Credits made hereunder before CAWCD has paid for such Long-Term Storage Credits, CAWCD shall not be obligated to pay for the number of Long-Term Storage Credits affected by such rejection or invalidation. If such rejection or invalidation occurs after payment has been made by CAWCD, Metro shall refund an amount equal to the number of Long-Term Storage Credits affected by such rejection or invalidation times the price per acre-foot for the affected Long-Term Storage Credits, as such price is established in Article 2.2 above. Metro shall refund such amount within 20 (twenty) business days after either CAWCD or Metro receives any notice of rejection or invalidation from ADWR. CAWCD shall transfer and assign back to Metro the number of credits affected by any such rejection or invalidation. Metro's obligation to refund any payments under this Article 5 shall expire thirty (30) days after ADWR has issued a non-appealable final agency decision approving the transfer and assignment of the Long-Term Storage Credits into CAGRD's Account(s). The Parties' rights and obligations under this Article 5 shall remain in full force and effect, and shall survive termination of this Agreement for purposes of addressing a circumstance where ADWR rejects or invalidates any transfer of Long-Term Storage Credits made hereunder.

#### **ARTICLE 6 EFFECTIVE DATE AND TERM**

6.1 Term. This Agreement shall be effective as of the date set forth in the introductory paragraph of this Agreement (the "Effective Date"). The initial term of this Agreement shall extend from the Effective Date to December 31 of the twenty-fourth (24th) year following the Initial Year, with an automatic renewal of this Agreement for two additional ten-year terms,

unless either Party notifies the other in writing at least one-hundred twenty (120) days before the expiration of the initial term, or the renewal term as applicable, that it does not wish to renew this Agreement. (The Parties intend that Metro will sell and CAWCD will purchase Long-term Storage Credits for 25 years under the initial term of this Agreement, and up to 45 years, if this Agreement is automatically renewed pursuant to the provisions of this Article.)

6.2 Termination. Notwithstanding Section 6.1 above, CAWCD may terminate this Agreement if Metro has not commenced storing effluent at the CMID Groundwater Savings Facility by January 1, 2017. If CAWCD desires to terminate this Agreement it shall provide written notice of termination to Metro no later than March 15, 2017.

## **ARTICLE 7 DEFAULT AND REMEDIES**

7.1 Default. The occurrence of any of the following events constitutes an event of default by a party to this Agreement:

7.1.1 The failure of either party to perform any term, covenant, or condition of this Agreement, if that failure continues for thirty days following the receipt of written notice from the other party.

7.1.2 (i) The filing by or against either party of a petition to have the party adjudged a bankrupt or a petition for reorganization or arrangement under any law relating to bankruptcy (unless, in the case of a petition filed against a party, the same is dismissed within 60 days); (ii) the making by a party of any general assignment for the benefit of creditors; (iii) the appointment of a trustee or receiver to take possession of substantially all of the party's assets, when possession is not restored to the party within 60 days; or (iv) the attachment, execution, or other judicial seizure of substantially all of a party's assets, where such seizure is not discharged within 60 days.

7.2 Remedies. If an event of default occurs, the non-defaulting party may immediately terminate this Agreement by written notice to the defaulting party and/or may pursue any other rights available to it in law or equity. The obligation of the defaulting party to pay any amounts due but unpaid as of the date of termination under this provision shall survive such termination.

## **ARTICLE 8 MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS**

8.1 Interpretation. This Agreement is governed by and must be construed and interpreted in accordance with and in reference to the laws of the State of Arizona, without regard to its conflicts of laws provisions. Any action to resolve any dispute regarding this Agreement shall be taken in a state court of competent jurisdiction located in Maricopa County, Arizona.

8.2 Metro's Warranty of Title. Metro warrants that to the best of its actual knowledge it has good and marketable title to the Long-Term Storage Credits that are the subject of this Agreement and agrees to convey marketable title to such Long-Term Storage Credits free and clear of all liens and encumbrances. Metro shall warrant and defend title against all persons claiming by or through Metro and no other.

8.3 Amendments. This Agreement may be modified, amended or revoked only by the express written agreement of the parties hereto.

8.4 Entire Agreement. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties and no understandings or obligations not expressly set forth in this Agreement are binding upon the parties.

8.5 Waiver. No delay in exercising any right or remedy shall constitute a waiver unless such right or remedy is waived in writing signed by the waiving party. A waiver by any party of any right or remedy hereunder shall not be construed as a waiver of any other right or remedy, whether pursuant to the same or a different term, condition or covenant.

8.6 Captions. All captions, titles, or headings in this Agreement are used for the purpose of reference and convenience only and do not limit, modify, or otherwise affect any of the provisions of this Agreement.

8.7 Rules, Regulations and Amendment or Successor Statutes. All references in this Agreement to the Arizona Revised Statutes include all rules and regulations promulgated by ADWR under such statutes and all amendment statutes and successor statutes, rules, and regulations to such statutes, rules, and regulations.

8.8 Notices. Except as otherwise required by law, any notice given in connection with this Agreement must be in writing and must be given by personal delivery, overnight delivery, facsimile, or United States certified or registered mail. Any such notice must be addressed to the appropriate party at the following address (or at any other address as a party may hereafter designate by written notice given as required by this paragraph):

**CAWCD:**

For delivery use: c/o General Manager  
23636 N. 7<sup>th</sup> Street  
Phoenix, AZ 85024

For U.S. Mail use: c/o General Manager  
P.O Box 43020  
Phoenix, AZ 85080-3020

**METROPOLITAN DOMESTIC WATER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT:**

For delivery use: c/o General Manager  
6265 N. La Canada Blvd.  
Tucson, AZ 85704

For U.S. Mail use: c/o General Manager  
P.O. Box 36870  
Tucson, AZ 85740

Notice is deemed to have been given on the date on which notice is personally delivered, delivered to an overnight delivery service, transmitted by facsimile or mailed. Notice is deemed to have been received on the date on which the notice is actually received or delivery is refused.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties to this Agreement have executed this Agreement as of the date first set forth above.

CAWCD:           **CENTRAL ARIZONA WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

By: 

Its: President

ATTEST:   
Secretary

METRO:           **METROPOLITAN DOMESTIC WATER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT**

By: 

<sup>Vice-</sup>  
Its: Chair

ATTEST:   
Clerk of the Board

**EXHIBIT A**

to

**Purchase and Sale Agreement for Long Term Storage Credits**

**ADWR LONG-TERM STORAGE CREDIT TRANSFER FORM A.R.S. § 45-854.01**

**ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES**

**Water Management Section  
3550 North Central Ave, Phoenix, Arizona 85012  
Telephone (602) 771-8585  
Fax (602) 771-8689**

**LONG-TERM STORAGE CREDIT  
TRANSFER FORM A.R.S. § 45-854.01**

For Official Use Only

DATE RECEIVED: \_\_\_\_\_

**[FOR SELLER]**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Seller

\_\_\_\_\_  
Long-Term Storage Account No.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Person/Telephone Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Facility Permit Number (where source water was stored)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Water Storage Permit Number (authority to store source water)

\_\_\_\_\_  
City/State/Zip

**Number of long-term storage credits (in acre-feet) transferred by type(s) of water and year credits were earned.**

Type: \_\_\_\_\_ acre-feet \_\_\_\_\_ year earned \_\_\_\_\_  
Type: \_\_\_\_\_ acre-feet \_\_\_\_\_ year earned \_\_\_\_\_

**[FOR BUYER]**

If the transfer includes long-term storage credits earned from the storage of Central Arizona Project (CAP) water in an Active Management Area (AMA), please state:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Buyer

1. The date of Buyer's formation (if Buyer is a legal entity): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Person/Telephone Number

2. The amount of groundwater withdrawn by Buyer in the AMA during the calendar year that the credits were earned:  
\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address

a. The groundwater right number(s) the Buyer withdrew the groundwater pursuant to:  
\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
City/State/Zip

\_\_\_\_\_  
Long -Term Storage Account No. (if any)

**Pursuant to A.R.S. § 45-854.01(C), the director of the Arizona Department of Water Resources may reject and invalidate any assignment of long-term storage credits in which the stored water would not have met the requirements for long-term storage credits as prescribed by A.R.S. § 45-852.01 if the assignee had stored the water.**

The undersigned hereby certify, under penalty of perjury, that the information contained in this report is, to the best of their knowledge and belief, correct and complete and that they are authorized to sign on behalf of the party for whom their signature appears.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Signature for Seller      DATE

\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Signature for Buyer      DATE

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title