CALENDAR ITEM **C95**

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		PRC 9193.9
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AMENDMENT OF LEASE

APPLICANT:

City of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power 111 North Hope Street Los Angeles, CA 9012

AREA, LAND TYPE, AND LOCATION:

Sovereign land in the dry lake bed of Owens Lake, Inyo County.

AUTHORIZED USE:

Installation, use, and maintenance of hydrologic monitoring structures and flow monitoring infrastructure at six existing seeps/springs.

LEASE TERM:

5 years, beginning February 20, 2015.

CONSIDERATION:

The public health and safety, with the State reserving the right at any time to set a monetary rent if the Commission finds such action to be in the State's best interests.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Section 1, Land Use or Purpose, of the Lease would be amended to include the continued use and maintenance of four piezometers.

Exhibit A, Description of Lease Premises, of the Lease would be amended to include the attached Exhibit A.

All other terms and conditions of the Lease, as amended, shall remain in full force and effect.

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OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

- 1. On February 20, 2015, the Commission authorized the issuance of Lease No. PRC 9193.9, a General Lease Public Agency Use, to the City of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (City) for a period of five years, for the installation, use, and maintenance of hydrologic monitoring structures and flow monitoring infrastructure at six existing seeps/springs.
- On March 3, 2015, Commission staff issued the City a Letter of Non-Objection for the installation of piezometers at four seeps/springs locations on the dry bed of Owens Lake. The legal descriptions for the proposed piezometers were not included in the Commission's prior authorization. A condition of the Letter of Non-Objection requires the City to obtain an amendment for the continued use and maintenance of the four piezometers. The City is now requesting an amendment to the lease for the continued use and maintenance of the four piezometers.
- 3. The staff recommends that the Commission find that this activity is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as a categorically exempt project. The project is exempt under Class 1, Existing Facilities; California Code of Regulations, Title 14, section 15301.
 - Authority: Public Resources Code section 21084 and California Code of Regulations, Title 14, section 15300.
- 4. This activity involves lands which have NOT been identified as possessing significant environmental values pursuant to Public Resources Code section 6370 et seq.; however, the Commission has declared that all lands are "significant" by nature of their public ownership (as opposed to "environmentally significant"). Since such declaration of significance is not based upon the requirements and criteria of Public Resources Code section 6370 et seq., use classifications for such lands have not been designated. Therefore, the finding of the project's consistency with the use classification as required by California Code of Regulations, Title 2, section 2954 is not applicable.

EXHIBITS:

- A. Land Description
- B. Site and Location Map

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RECOMMENDED ACTION:

It is recommended that the Commission:

CEQA FINDING:

Find that the activity is exempt from the requirements of CEQA pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 14, section 15061 as a categorically exempt project, Class 1, Existing Facilities; California Code of Regulations, Title 14, section 15301.

AUTHORIZATION:

Authorize the amendment of Lease No. PRC 9193.9, a General Lease – Public Agency Use, to include the continued use and maintenance of four piezometers as described in Exhibit A and shown on Exhibit B (for reference purposes only) attached and by this reference made a part hereof; all other terms and conditions of the lease will remain in effect without amendment.

Legal Descriptions Owens Lake Four New Piezometer Locations

Four parcels of State-owned sovereign land in the bed of Owens Lake in the County of Inyo, State of California, being more particularly described as follows:

P1-Northwest Spring Piezometer Parcel

BEGINNING at a point from whence Mineral Monument No. 58, a white marble stone monument with a metal plate cross stamped "MM #58", as said monument is shown on that map filed in Book 11, of Record of Surveys at page 7, Official Records of the County of Inyo, State of California, bears South 81°57′24" East, a distance of 43,354.63 feet; thence along the following described courses:

North 90°00'00" West, 50.00 feet; South 90°00'00" West, 50.00 feet; South 90°00'00" East, 50.00 feet; North 90°00'00" East, 50.00 feet to the point of BEGINNING.

P2-Cottonwood Spring Piezometer Parcel

BEGINNING at a point from whence Mineral Monument No. 58, a white marble stone monument with a metal plate cross stamped "MM #58", as said monument is shown on that map filed in Book 11, of Record of Surveys at page 7, Official Records of the County of Inyo, State of California, bears North 58°41′51" East, a distance of 43,871.94 feet; thence along the following described courses:

North 90°00'00" West, 50.00 feet; South 0°00'00" West, 50.00 feet; South 90°00'00" East, 50.00 feet; North 00°00'00" East, 50.00 feet to the point of BEGINNING.

P3-Ash Creek Piezometer Parcel

BEGINNING at a point from whence Mineral Monument No. 58, a white marble stone monument with a metal plate cross stamped "MM #58", as said monument is shown on that map filed in Book 11, of Record of Surveys at page 7, Official Records of the County of Inyo, State of

California, bears North 40°10'57" East, a distance of 55,705.39 feet; thence along the following described courses:

North 90°00′00″ West, 50.00 feet; South 90°00′00″ West, 50.00 feet; South 90°00′00″ East, 50.00 feet; North 90°00′00″ East, 50.00 feet to the point of BEGINNING.

P5A-Trucksticker Piezometer Parcel

BEGINNING at a point from whence Mineral Monument No. 58, a white marble stone monument with a metal plate cross stamped "MM #58", as said monument is shown on that map filed in Book 11, of Record of Surveys at page 7, Official Records of the County of Inyo, State of California, bears North 3°51′03" East, a distance of 41,787.57 feet; thence along the following described courses:

North 90°00'00" West, 50.00 feet; South 0°00'00" West, 50.00 feet; South 90°00'00" East, 50.00 feet; North 00°00'00" East, 50.00 feet to the point of BEGINNING.

The Bearings used in this description are on the California Coordinate System, NAD83; (CCS83/92), Zone 4. The Coordinate values, in U.S. Survey Feet, of said Mineral Monument No, 58, also known as Triangulation Station "Keeler" are: Northing 2,064,076,37, Easting 6,890,187,91. All distances shown herein are grid distances in U.S. Survey Feet. To obtain ground surface distances, multiply the distances shown by 1,000228742.

END OF DESCRIPTION

