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EBMUD to Track its own Emissions with CA Registry

First Water District to Join Unique Program

OAKLAND, California – The East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD) has joined the California Climate Action Registry (Registry), a distinguished group of organizations demonstrating leadership by voluntarily taking action on climate change. EBMUD is the first water district to participate in this rigorous program. As a member, EBMUD will work with the Registry to annually track, report and certify its greenhouse gas emissions, the main drivers of global warming.

"EBMUD's commitment to environmental protection begins with its mission statement and continues through its many programs and services," said Bill Patterson, EBMUD Board President. EBMUD has invested in electric-gas hybrids to replace nearly all of its sedan fleet, and installed a microturbine and photovoltaic system on the roofs of its two primary offices, producing its own renewable energy to power business operations. EBMUD was also awarded a "Green Power Leadership Club" Award from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for exemplary green power production – it was the first waste/wastewater agency to receive the honor.

The Registry, created by the California legislature in 2000, helps companies and organizations throughout the United States to track, publicly report and reduce their greenhouse gas emissions. The results are certified by independent third-parties to ensure compliance with Registry protocols and standardization across participants and sectors. The Registry has been widely recognized as a gold standard for public reporting of greenhouse gases.

"From investing in on-site renewable projects to 'greening' its fleet, EBMUD has been working hard to minimize its environmental impact and reduce greenhouse gas emissions" said Diane Wittenberg, President of the California Climate Action Registry. "By participating in the Registry, EBMUD will be able to see the GHG reductions these decisions create and track its progress in taking action on climate change."

The East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD) supplies water and provides wastewater treatment for parts of Alameda and Contra Costa counties on the eastern side of San Francisco Bay in northern California. EBMUD serves 640,000 wastewater customers and supplies drinking water for 1.3 million people. www.ebmud.com

The California Climate Action Registry is a non-profit public/private partnership that serves as a voluntary greenhouse gas (GHG) registry to protect, encourage, and promote early actions to reduce GHG emissions. Over 75 major companies, cities, government agencies and NGOs measure and publicly report their GHG emissions through the Registry. www.climateactionregistry.org

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