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DATE:

March 12, 2014

TO:

MERA Executive Board

FROM:

Maureen Cassingham, Executive Officer

SUBJECT:

AGENDA ITEM **B-5**: UPDATE ON NOVATO FIRE DISTRICT REQUEST FOR

**EXECUTIVE BOARD SEAT** 

Recommended Action: Approve Novato Fire District's request to withdraw their request for a seat on MERA's Executive Board.

<u>Background</u>: On September 11, 2013 the Executive Board received a request from then NFD Board President Mansourian for a seat on the MERA Executive Board.

The Executive Board appointed a Subcommittee of Members Pearce, Doyle and Stutsman to review the request and report back with a recommendation(s). The Subcommittee met on October 7 to review and discuss MERA governance changes that resulted in the current 9-member Executive Board composition.

President Pearce followed up with additional outreach to NFD and subsequently presented this matter to the County Fire Chiefs' Association for review and input by the Fire Chiefs of MERA Members who select the Fire Services' Executive Board Member.

The Executive Board Subcommittee updated the Executive Board with a status on November 13, 2013 and January 8, 2014 and the Governing Board on December 11, 2013.

President Pearce received the attached letter from Lj Silverman, NFD Board President, dated January 13, 2014, withdrawing their request for the Executive Board seat.

ATTACHMENT: Letter dated January 13, 2014 from NFD Board President Silverman



## NOVATO FIRE DISTRICT

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January 13, 2014

Chief Richard Pearce Marin Emergency Radio Authority C/o Novato Fire Protection District 95 Rowland Way Novato, CA 94945

Dear Chief Pearce,

On behalf of the Novato Fire Protection District's Board of Directors I am writing you to withdraw our request for a seat on the Marin Emergency Radio Authority's Executive Board. We entrust in your leadership to effectively represent the interests of the Novato Fire Protection District and of the citizens that we serve.

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Respectfully

Lj Silverman Board President