

Meeting Date: August 20, 2014 Staff Contact: Frank Roth, Senior Policy Manager

TITLE: C-14-18 - Reappointment to the Customer Advisory Committee

**ACTION:** Recommend Approval

## SUMMARY:

The Customer Advisory Committee (CAC) was established in November 2006 to assist in and facilitate public review and discussion of Water Authority policies, plans and programs. The CAC consists of nine voluntary members who are customers of the Authority's water or wastewater system. The resolution, R-06-27, establishing the CAC recommends that the appointed members have professional or technical competence in one of the following areas: water resource planning, water system engineering, environmental or public interest advocacy, planning or landscape architecture, financial or business management, resource economics, and customer service.

David Brookshire has completed his first term and is eligible to be reappointed to a second two-year term. Staff recommends that these Mr. Brookshire continue to serve on the CAC in the resource economics category. Below is a summary of his professional and academic background.

## **Biography**

David S. Brookshire is a Distinguished Professor and Director of the Science Impact Laboratory for Policy and Economics (SILPE) within the Department of Economics at the University of New Mexico. After completing his B.A. in Economics at California State University at San Diego in 1970, he earned his Ph.D. in Economics at the University of New Mexico in 1976. He was on the faculty at the University of Wyoming from 1976 to 1990. He returned to UNM in 1990 and served as Department chair from 1993-2000. He also specializes in environmental and resource economics. Among his many appointments, he has served as Policy Sciences Editor of Water Resources Research (published by the American Geophysical Union, served on the Executive Board of the Sustainability of semi-Arid Hydrologic and Riparian Areas (SAHRA) Science and Technology Center at the University of Arizona, served on three National Research Council panels and worked as an economist for the National Water Commission, the U.S. Department of Commerce, and the U.S. Geological Survey.

Mr. Brookshire specializes in public policy issues in the natural resource, environmental and natural hazards areas. In particular, he has completed studies pertaining to seismic building codes, earthquake prediction impacts, environmental regulations, endangered species, air pollution, the effects of seismic zoning and the value of geologic information

and water allocation. His current research interests include ecosystem valuation, natural hazards issues, endangered species protection, field and laboratory experiments for the estimation of disaggregated demand of consumer water users, the value of water in non-market settings, and integrated hydrological/biological/economic modeling of alternative institutional and behavioral characteristics of water banking/leasing markets.

## **CURRENT MEMBERS:**

Member	R-06-27 Category	Term Expiration
David Ritchey	Financial Management/Institutional Customer	5/2015
Will Gleason	Planning	5/2015
Amy Ewing	Water Resource Planning	4/2016
Wayne Frye	Customer Service	5/2015
Lola Bird	Landscape Architecture	8/2014
John Shomaker	Water Resource Planning	8/2014
Fred Arfman	Water System Engineering	8/2014
David Brookshire	Resource Economics	8/2014
Sarah Gilstrap Browne	Environmental	2/2015

FISCAL IMPACT: None