

**ALBUQUERQUE BERNALILLO COUNTY
WATER UTILITY AUTHORITY**

May 21, 2014

FLOOR AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO R-14-8

AMENDMENT SPONSORED BY MEMBER O'Malley

1. On page 3, line 1, insert the following:

“Section 5. In the event that working capital balance exceeds 1/12 of operating expenses, and debt service payments and debt service coverage are met, the remaining working capital balance shall be reserved for capital projects.”

2. On page 3, line 4, insert the following:

“Section 6. The Executive Director shall organize and host a community forum for customers on rates, conservation, and infrastructure prior to the submission of the FY/16 budget.”

3. Renumber subsequent section.

JUSTIFICATION:

In the event that consumption is less than projected, the Rate Reserve Fund is set aside for this purpose. However, if consumption is greater than projected, this amendment will ensure that the rate increase will not be applied to increased operating expenses, and any excess revenue will be earmarked for capital projects as identified in the approved Decade Plan.

Given the future need for rate increases, continued conservation and the infrastructure backlog, it would be a good idea to communicate with ratepayers in a community forum setting on these issues.