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TO: Board of Directors

FROM: District Manager

SUBJECT: VACANCY IN OFFICE OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

DATE: May 30, 2006

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Directors review this memo and consider filling the vacancy in the elective office of Board of Director by appointment.

BACKGROUND:

At the April 20, 2006 Board of Directors meeting your Board received notice from David Ross of his resignation from the San Lorenzo Valley Water District Board of Directors. Pursuant to Government Code Section 1780 the remaining Board Members may fill the vacancy by appointment. Appointment to fill the vacancy must be made within sixty (60) calendar days of the effective of the vacancy (April 20, 2006). Staff was directed to post a notice of vacancy and solicit letters of interest.

The Notice of Vacancy was posted at eight (8) locations, throughout the District and published twice in the Valley Press/Scotts Valley Banner. See Attachment 1. The Notice of Vacancy required interested individuals to submit a letter of interest by 5:00 p.m., Thursday, May 27, 2006. In response to the Notice of Vacancy the District has received letters of interest from the following individuals:

Manuel Centeno
Fred McPherson
Gordon Stewart Jr.

See Attachments 2, 3 and 4.

It is recommended that the Board of Directors review the letters of interest and consider filling the vacancy by appointment.

James A. Mueller
District Manager

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Attachments

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a vacancy exists in the elective Office of Director for the San Lorenzo Valley Water District. Pursuant to Section 30500 of the California Water Code it is a requirement that the Directors be a registered voter of the District. Any person interested in filling this vacancy shall submit a letter of interest and statement of qualifications to the District Secretary, San Lorenzo Valley Water District, 13060 Hwy 9 Boulder Creek, CA 95006. Submittals must be received at the District Office no later than 5:00 p.m., Thursday, May 27, 2006

For additional information please contact the District Secretary at 831-430-4636.

MANUEL CENTENO

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SAN LORENZO VALLEY
WATER DISTRICT

Brandon Barchi
District Secretary
San Lorenzo Valley Water District
13060 Highway 9
Boulder Creek, CA 95006-9119

May 16, 2006

Ref: BoD Application

Dear Mr. Barchi,

I look forward to your consideration as a temporary replacement for the vacant board seat. My experience offers a broad range of contemporary corporate governance best practices. Attached is a summary of work history. Please treat this as a CONFIDENTIAL document pending further discussion of disclosure parameters.

If there is anything else that I can do to facilitate your requirements, please feel free to call.

Yours truly,



Manuel Centeno

MANUEL CENTENO

Summary of Work History

Principal Examiner¹

June 1995 - present: Work with a broad spectrum of federally insured financial institutions to ensure financial safety and soundness.

- Present information to boards of directors and management officials across the country regarding industry trends, best practices and emerging issues.
- Assess strategic strengths of business plans, risk management, and financial objectives.
- Monitor and evaluate compliance with statutory, regulatory, and policy changes.
- Prepare detailed examination reports to summarize findings, illustrate analysis, and establish administrative record for corrective action.
- Develop and negotiate plans of action to address areas of supervisory concern.

Business Accountant²

August 1984 – November 1992: Represented US Government procurement teams with cost analysis, commercial systems, and government contracts.

- Analyze commercial accounting systems to assess a degree of reliance upon management proposals, reports, and representations.
- Interface with a broad variety of corporate officials to ensure cost estimates, assumptions, and history are current, accurate, and complete.
- Establish cost baseline for US Government negotiating position.
- Participate in contract negotiations and program control reviews with corporate officers and a wide variety of procurement teams.
- Deliver presentations to address issues, identify problems and resolve disputes.

Security Police³

December 1974 – December 1978: Guarded strategic areas for US Air Force (SAC).

- Supervised a mobile Security Alert Team.
- Patrolled weapons storage areas.
- Performed other duties as assigned.

Education: University of Houston – BBA Accounting, May 1984

¹ Reference: National Credit Union Administration Telephone (602) 302-6000

² Reference:

³ DD 214 available upon request.

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WATER DISTRICT

Resume
May 2006

Fred McPherson
P. O. Box 544
Boulder Creek, CA 95006
(831) 338-2097
Born July 1, 1938; Married, 1 daughter, 2 grandchildren

EDUCATION:

Ph.D., Paideia (William James Association, Santa Cruz), General Studies in Human Ecology, 1978.

Master of Arts in Teaching Biology, University of Chicago, 1964.

General Secondary Teaching Credential (grades 7-14), San Fernando Valley State College, 1962. (Life Credential, 1985.)

Bachelor of Arts, San Fernando Valley State College, Major in Biology, 1961.

WORK EXPERIENCE:

2004-Present: Lecturer, Environmental Studies Department, Summer Session --The Natural History of the Santa Cruz Mountains

3/03-7/03: River Adventures Field Trips and Lectures for the "River Reflections" exhibit at the Santa Cruz Museum of Art and History. Follow up Summer River Adventure Ecology class sponsored by Santa Cruz Museum of Art and History.

1999-Present: Founding member of the Watershed Academic Planning and Advisory Committee for the Watershed Academy, San Lorenzo Valley High School.

1989-2003: Founding Teacher and Governing Board Member, San Lorenzo Valley School District, Home School/Charter School Programs.

1986-6/88: Teacher, White Oak High School, Ben Lomond, California. Subjects taught: Biology, Science, Math, Field Journal.

1975-1986: YMCA Camp Campbell Outdoor Science Education Program, Boulder Creek, California.

Summer 1985-Spring 1986: Director of Program Development for the Resident Environmental Outdoor Education Program (REOEP).

Fall 1981-Spring 1985: Founding Field Teacher for the REOEP.

1970-1997: University of California at Santa Cruz, Extension and Environmental Studies Department, Summer Session.

1982-1995: Lecturer, Environmental Studies Department, Summer Session—Field Studies in the Santa Cruz Mountains.

1979, 1985, 1986: Teacher, Environmental Studies Department, Summer Session—Ecology of the San Lorenzo River.

1970-1980: Teacher of numerous Biology, Environmental Studies and Field Ecology classes for UCSC Extension.

1970-1973: Program Coordinator for Biology and Environmental Studies, UCSC Extension.

1974-1981: Other Teaching—During this time, I offered classes in Biology, Ecology, Field Ecology and Outdoor Education and Recreation at the following educational institutions:

1980-1981: De Anza College, Cupertino, California—Careers in Outdoor Education and Recreation.

1976-1977: San Jose City College, San Jose, California—General Biology, Natural Science, T.V. Coordinator for "Making Things Grow."

1976: Evergreen College, San Jose, California—Man and the Environment (Human Ecology).

1974-1976: San Lorenzo Valley Unified School District, Adult School, Felton, California—Redwood Ecology; The Ecology of the San Lorenzo River; Biotic Communities of the Santa Cruz Mountains.

1973-1978: Harvey-Stanley & Associates Ecological Consultants—Consultant in Resource Management.

9/66-1/69: Pacific High School, Palo Alto, California—Teacher of Biology.

9/64-6/66: Burroughs High School, Ridgecrest, California—Teacher of Biology and Chairman of the Biology Department.

HONORS AND COMMUNITY SERVICE:

2002-2004: President, California Native Plant Society, Santa Cruz Chapter.

1989-2002: Site Representative on the Executive Council of the local chapter of the California Teachers' Association.

1978-Present: Ecological Advisor for the Santa Cruz County San Lorenzo River Watershed Management Plan and member of the San Lorenzo River Technical Advisory Committee.

1998: Vice Chair, Waterman Gap Citizens Advisory Committee to the San Lorenzo Valley Water District.

1996: Recipient of the Hammer-Marcum Award for recognition of outstanding volunteer work in the San Lorenzo Valley community.

1994-1996: President, California Native Plant Society, Santa Cruz Chapter.

1990-1991: Chairman, Individualized Education Task Force of the San Lorenzo Valley Unified School District Strategic Plan.

1986-1988: San Lorenzo Valley Unified School District Substance Abuse Committee.

1985: Co-Chairman, Problem Definition Sub-Committee, San Lorenzo Valley Water District Citizens' Committee on Waste Disposal.

1973-1985: Charter member, Save San Lorenzo River Association. Offices held: President, Educational Chairman, Vice President and Treasurer.

1974-1986: Chairman, Bonnie Brier Neighborhood Improvement Association.

1971: Founding Associate, Camp Joy Garden, Boulder Creek, California; Member, Board of Directors, 1985-1993.

1977-1979: Member of the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments Citizens' Advisory Committee (AMBAG).

1975-1976: Ecological advisory member of the Downtown Boulder Creek Planning Committee—Sewage and Disposable Waste Subcommittee.

1972-1974: Chairman of the Environmental Quality Control Subcommittee of the Citizens' Committee to Revise the Santa Cruz County General Plan for the San Lorenzo Valley.

1962-1964: Tuition Fellowship to the University of Chicago

1961: President of the San Fernando Valley State College Science Club.

1951-1957: Boy Scouts—Eagle Scout, Silver Award Air Scout, Order of the Arrow.

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WATER DISTRICT**

**Fredrick L. McPherson
P. O. Box 544
Boulder Creek, CA 95006
(831) 338-2097**

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May 15, 2006

Board of Directors
San Lorenzo Valley Water District
13060 Highway 9
Boulder Creek, CA 95006-9119

ATTN: Jim Mueller, Manager

I am applying for the position on the SLV Water District Board of Directors that was recently vacated by David Ross.

I have been a resident and registered voter in the town of Boulder Creek for over 35 years. During that time I have developed a strong interest in and knowledge about water-related issues in the San Lorenzo Valley. As a biology teacher I have been studying the San Lorenzo River and its watershed for many years and, during that time, I have developed and taught numerous classes and programs related to the natural history, ecology, and human uses of the river and its watershed. I've also participated in many community plans related to the river and water use in the Valley. A resume of my background and involvement in these water-related issues is attached.

Because of my strong background in science, teaching and administration, and my long-time commitment to providing our community with a dependable supply of clean water, I believe that I would be a valuable addition to the water board.

At the present time, we are fortunate to have some of the finest quality drinking water in the world and an outstanding water district. I believe that we face many present and future challenges and opportunities for maintaining a well run water district and our dependable supply of high-quality water. If appointed to this position on the water board, I can be of help in meeting those challenges. It is for these reasons that I welcome the opportunity to serve our community on the San Lorenzo Valley Water District Board of Directors.

If you need further information, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Fred Mc Pherson". The signature is fluid and stylized, with a long horizontal flourish extending from the end.

Fred Mc Pherson

Gordon Stewart, Jr.
P.O. Box 1476
Boulder Creek, CA 95006
(408) 395-3013
San Lorenzo Valley Water District
13060 Highway 9
Boulder Creek, CA 95006
May 25, 2006

Dear Secretary and Board members:

This letter is in response to the Notification of Vacancy of the Board of Director's by Mr. Ross. My intention is to fill that vacancy and complete Mr. Ross' term on the board. I am a registered voter in the SLV Water District, property owner of over 30 years, completely qualified with a desire to proceed on matters before the board for their decisions.

Some of my qualifications are:

- Assisting the education committee in establishing the grant program
- Volunteering at many levels to construct a bridge to protect Deer Creek
- Worked with former Supervisor Jeff Almquist for Felton water issues
- Manager of Palm Drive Road Association to improve conditions for runoff
- Past Director of Deer Creek Road Association helping to decrease impact of road conditions to mitigate creek siltation
- Interfaced with Resource Conservation District, California Fish and Game and other agencies to solve numerous environmental issues
- Frequently attend Board of Supervisors meetings and provide meaningful input to the Planning Department

Related pertinent education consists of a BS in Environmental Studies, technical writing, environmental law, meteorology, an AS in General Science and I have conducted numerous field studies of ozone, E.I.R's, SLV watershed, plus helping teach others about our environment.

I often work on a voluntary basis helping others understand the issues. I will help the Board by quickly resolving any matters before them in an educated and enlightened manner. I also realize that the residents of the Valley are the people we serve and my concern is for them.

Respectfully,



Gordon Stewart, Jr.