

## **NOVATO FIRE DISTRICT**

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Mr. Mathew Hymel Chairperson Marin Emergency Radio Authority Executive Board 95 Rowland Way Novato, CA 94945

Re: Marin Emergency Radio Authority Executive Committee Membership

l am writing you in your role as the Chairperson of the Marin Emergency Radio Authority (MERA) Executive Board. The Board of Directors of the Novato Fire Protection District respectively requests a seat on the MERA Executive Board for a Novato Fire Protection District representative.

As you are aware, the Novato Fire District has a strong history of support of MERA dating back to its inception, development, and implementation.

Members of our executive and command staff have filled critical roles during the research and design phase of the project. Our department provided several instructors in support of the county-wide implementation of the system. We have filled critical executive leadership roles through our seats on the Executive Board and the Governance Board. We lost our seat on the Executive Board in 2012.

As one of the largest special districts, and one of the largest fire service employers, in Marin County we respectfully request a seat on the Executive Board to provide our continued support for the success of the current MERA system and to support the leadership in transition to the next generation MERA system. We are a leader in the Marin fire service for the design and implementation of new technology into the public safety environment. We wish to provide that leadership once again by filling a seat on the Executive Board. If you have other suggestions that can accommodate our request we be very interested in discussing that with you.

THE NOVATO FIRE DISTRICT EXISTS TO CARE FOR, PROTECT, AND SERVE OUR COMMUNITIES.



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If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at 415-717-1519.

Respectfully submitted,

Farhad Mansourian, President

**Board of Directors** 

C: Novato Fire District Board of Directors Chief Mark Heine