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MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 22, 2017 (rescheduled meeting from 2/15/17)

TO: MERA Finance Committee

FROM: Maureen Cassingham, Executive Officer

SUBJECT: AGENDA ITEM B: PROPOSED PRELIMINARY FY17-18 MERA

OPERATING, NEW PROJECT FINANCING AND

REVENUE BONDS BUDGETS

Recommended Action: Review and recommend the Proposed Preliminary MERA FY17-18

Budgets to the Executive Board for Operating, New Project Financing and Refunding Revenue Bonds.

<u>Background</u>: Total Proposed Preliminary Operating Budget for FY17-18 is \$1,973,710 which represents a 4.5% increase over prior year's budget. A recent history of total annual operating budgets and percentage changes over prior years is as follows:

Fiscal Year	Annual Operating Budget	\$ Variance	%Variance
2007-08	\$1,716,926		
2008-09	1,647,000	< 69,926>	-4.1
2009-10	1,642,000	< 5,000>	3
2010-11	1,496,105	<145,895>	-8.9
2011-12	1,499,630	+ 3,525	+ .2
2012-13	1,591,930	+ 92,300	+6.2
2013-14	1,651,432	+ 59,502	+3.7
2014-15	1,707,654	+ 56,222	+3.4
2015-16	1,811,251	+103,597	+6.0
2016-17	1,888,142	+ 76,891	+4.2
2017-18	PRELIM. 1,973,710	+ 85,568	+4.5

The second budget is for the 2007 Citizen Bank Loan Note for supplemental capital borrowing. The Governing Board directed that this payment remain the same through the life of the Note.

The third budget is the annual debt service for the Refunding Revenue Bonds and there is no discretion in the payment amount.

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Member agency contribution schedules, based on the Executive Board's approval of the Preliminary Operating Budget, will be distributed to the member agency by March 17.

Recipients of this information will include agency representatives designated to receive financial information and all Governing Board Members and Alternates and Executive Board Members.

Upon final Governing Board approval of the annual budgets on May 10, member agency invoices will be sent, with applicable contribution schedules, to the designated financial recipients.

Operating Fund 70030 (Annual Operating Budget):

	Budget	Budget
	FY 2017-18	FY 2016-17
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proposed preliminary	\$1,973,710	\$1,888,142

Project Fund 70032 (New Project Financing – 2007 Note):

Budget	Budget	
FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	
\$225,000	\$225,000	

2010 Bond Fund 70035 (Payment of Annual Debt Service for 2010 Refunding Revenue Bonds):

Budget	Budget	
FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	
\$2,124,625	\$2,123,200	

ATTACHMENT:

B-1 Proposed Preliminary FY17-18 Operating Budget (Fund 70030) with Exhibits 1 and 2