ORDINANCE NO. 2001-2

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ARMONA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT AMENDING WATER AND SEWER RATES

The Board of Directors of the Armona Community Services District does hereby find:

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Armona Community Services District ("District") adopted Ordinance No. 1986-4 on September 24, 1986, establishing water and sewer rates for the District, and repealing prior water and sewer rates; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 1986-4 provides for water and sewer rates for various categories of use; and

WHEREAS, the District adopted Ordinance No. 1989-2 on July 12, 1989, amending and revising the water and sewer rates for the District; and

WHEREAS, the District adopted Ordinance No. 1991-1 on July 3, 1991, repealing Ordinance No. 1989-2, and amending and revising the water and sewer rates for the District; and

WHEREAS, the District adopted Ordinance No. 1996-3 on June 5, 1996, amending Ordinance No. 1986-4 and Ordinance No. 1991-1, and amending and revising the water rates for the District; and

WHEREAS, the District adopted Ordinance No. 1998-1 on March 11, 1998, amending Ordinance No. 1996-3, and amending and revising the water rates for the District; and

WHEREAS, the District adopted Ordinance No. 2000-1 on July 12, 2000, amending Ordinance No. 1991-1, and amending and revising the sewer rates for the District; and

WHEREAS, the energy crisis in California has caused increases in the cost of energy used by the District to pump and treat drinking water and to treat wastewater; and

WHEREAS, increased energy costs have resulted in other cost increases in the conduct of the District's operations; and

WHEREAS, after consideration of the budget and energy and other cost increases, the Board of Directors deems it is in the best interests of the District, and it is necessary to approve a new rate structure for water and sewer service; and

WHEREAS, the Community Services District Law provides, at Government Code Section 61621, that the District may provide for the collection of charges.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of the Armona Community Services District does hereby enact as follows:

1. <u>Water Service Rates.</u> Sections 1 and 2 of Ordinance No. 98-1 are hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 1. Residential Water Service Rates.

- A. Metered Rates. The basic monthly water rate for residential water users within the District shall be a \$20.75 minimum charge which shall cover the first 800 ft³ of water delivered, plus an additional \$1.35 for each 100 ft³ of water in excess of 800 ft³ delivered in any one month.
- B. Water Service Outside District Boundaries. All of the aforesaid water service charges shall apply only to patrons whose properties are located within the boundaries of the Armona Community Services District. Water service provided to patrons whose properties are located outside of the boundaries of the Armona Community Services District shall be subject to a 50% surcharge of the foregoing basic rates, added to the foregoing basic rates.

Section 2. Commercial Water Service Rates.

- A. Metered Rates. Commercial water users who have metered service shall be charged \$36.00 for the first 1,000 ft³ of water and \$1.35 for each 100 ft³ of water used in excess of 1,000 ft³ per month.
- **B.** Water Service Outside District Boundaries. All of the aforesaid water service charges shall apply only to patrons whose properties are located within the boundaries of the Armona Community Services District. Water service provided to patrons whose properties are located outside of the Armona Community Services District shall be subject to a 50 % surcharge of the foregoing basic rates, added to the foregoing basic rates.

2. Sewer Service Rates. Section 4 of Ordinance 1991-1 is amended to read as follows:

Section 4. Sewer Services Rates.

- a. Residential Sewage Service. Residential properties within the District shall be subject to a flat sewage service rate of \$12.90 per month per dwelling unit.
- b. <u>Commercial Sewage Service</u>. Commercial properties that are receiving a nonmetered water service shall pay a flat rate of \$12.90 per month per commercial unit served. Commercial properties that are served by metered installations shall be charged on the basis of water usage during the preceding month at the following rates:
 - (1) Restaurants:
 - \$5.25 per 1,000 ft³ of water used with a \$12.90 per month minimum charge;
 - Food processing plants, including butcher shops and lockers:
 \$4.05 per 100 ft³ of water used with a \$12.90 per month minimum charge.
 - (3) Commercial laundries:
 - \$4.40 per 100 ft³ of water used with a \$12.90 per month minimum charge; and
 - (4) Other Commercial Uses: \$12.90 per month flat rate.
- c. <u>Service Outside District</u>. The foregoing charges shall apply only to services provided to properties located within the Armona Community Services District. Sewage services rendered to property outside of the District shall be charged an additional 50 percent surcharge of the foregoing basic rates, added to the foregoing basic rates.
- 3. Effective Date. The water and sewer rates established in this Ordinance No. 2001-2 shall be effective beginning October 1, 2001, and the billings mailed in said month shall reflect the rates, fees, and charges established herein.

- 4. Repeal. Ordinance No. 2000-1, Ordinance No. 1998-1, Sections 1 and 2 of Ordinance No. 1996-3, Sections 2 through 6 of Ordinance No. 1991-1, and Sections 2 through 5 of Ordinance No. 1986-4, are hereby repealed.
- 5. <u>Continued Applicability of Prior Ordinances</u>. Those provisions of Ordinance Nos. 1996-3, 1991-1, and 1986-4 not expressly amended or repealed herein shall remain in full force and effect.

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WHEREFORE, this Ordinance is passed and adopted by the Board of Directors of the Armona Community Services District on September 12, 2001, by the following vote:

AYES:

Directors, Bittner, Maciel, Brautigam and Plooy

NOES:

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ABSENT:

Director Danielson

ABSTAIN:

ED BITTNER, Chairman of the

Board of Directors

ATTEST:

JAMES MACIEL, SECRETARY

CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY

I, James Maciel, the duly appointed and acting Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Armona Community Services District, declare that the foregoing Ordinance was passed and adopted at a Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Armona Community Services District on September 12, 2001.

[DISTRICT SEAL]

DATED: September __/ 2__, 2001.

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AMES MACIEL, SECRETARY