RESOLUTION NO. 2006-31

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE OLIVENHAIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT ADOPTING THE PRINCIPLES AND POLICIES OF THE NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (NIMS), AS ENHANCED BY THE STANDARDIZED EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (SEMS)

WHEREAS, the President of the United States, in Homeland Security Directive (HSPD)-5, directed the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security to develop and administer a National Incident Management System, which would provide a consistent nationwide approach for federal, state, and local governments to work together more effectively and efficiently to prevent, prepare for, respond to, and recover from disasters, regardless of cause, size, or complexity; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary and desirable that all Federal, State, local and tribal homeland security partners has been and will continue to be vital to the development, effective implementation and utilization of a comprehensive National Incident Management System (NIMS); and

WHEREAS, it is essential for the effective response to multi-jurisdictional disasters that federal, state and local organizations establish standardized terminology and organizational structures, interoperable communications, consolidated action plans, unified command structures, uniform personnel qualification standards, uniform standards for planning, training and exercising, comprehensive resource management and designated incident facilities during emergencies or disasters; and

WHEREAS, the NIMS standardized procedures for managing personnel, communications, facilities and resources will improve the Olivenhain Municipal Water District's ability to utilize federal funding to enhance agency readiness and streamline incident management processes; and

WHEREAS, the California Standardized Emergency Management System (SEMS) substantially meets the objectives of the National Incident Management System (NIMS); and

WHEREAS, the Olivenhain Municipal Water District utilizes the statewide Standardized Emergency Management System (SEMS) and participates in an emergency management program with the San Diego County Water Authority coordinating member agency communications and mutual assistance; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Olivenhain Municipal Water District that this District adopt the National Incident

Management System, as enhanced by the Standardized Emergency Management System, as the principles and policies guiding emergency response, preparedness, mitigation, prevention, and recovery within the Olivenhain Municipal Water District, and further directs Staff to initiate appropriate administrative actions to integrate NIMS standards and training into the existing District emergency management system.

PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Olivenhain Municipal Water District held on August 23, 2006 by the following roll call vote:

AYES:

Directors Gano, Kraus, Muir, Topolovac, Varty

NOES:

None

ABSTAIN: ABSENT:

None

None

Robert F. Topolovac, President

Board of Directors

Olivenhain Municipal Water District

Harald Jujan

Harold L. Gano, Secretary

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