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Dear Ms. Tiffany,

This is in response to your recent inquiry about termination of your agency's contract with the System.

Please review the enclosed Contract Termination Guidelines, form (CON-34), carefully. This is information about the termination process, the financial obligations of the agency and the potential impact of a contract termination on the agency employees' retirement benefits.

The enclosed Resolution of Intention is for adoption by the governing body declaring your agency's intent to terminate the contract. To initiate the termination process, return an original or certified copy to this office. The contract termination may not be effective earlier than 90 days and not more than 1 year following the adoption of the initial Resolution of Intention to terminate.

CalPERS is committed to assisting our members and employers in all matters related to their retirement within the scope of the statutory authority available to us. If you have any questions, please visit our website www.calpers.ca.gov or call our Customer Contact Center at 888 CalPERS (or 888-225-7737).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Stacey Barnett".

Stacey Barnett
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Enclosures

NDWA RESOLUTION NO. 2024-01
RESOLUTION OF INTENTION
TO TERMINATE THE CONTRACT
BETWEEN THE
BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION
CALIFORNIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM
AND THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
NORTH DELTA WATER AGENCY

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the North Delta Water Agency entered into a contract with the Board of Administration, Public Employees' Retirement System pursuant to Government Code Section 20460, effective January 1, 2009, for participation of said agency in the Retirement System; and

WHEREAS, Section 20570 provides that the governing body may terminate the contract between the Board of Administration of the Public Employees' Retirement System and the governing body of the contracting agency by the adoption of a resolution giving notice of intention to terminate, and, not less than 90 days and not more than 1 year later, the adoption by affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of the governing body of a resolution terminating the contract;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the North Delta Water Agency hereby finds that it is in the best interests of the agency to terminate the contract entered into with the Board of Administration, Public Employees' Retirement System; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the governing body of the above agency does hereby give notice to the Board of Administration, Public Employees' Retirement System, pursuant to Section 20570, of the intention to terminate said contract.

By: _____
Presiding Officer

Title

Date adopted and approved



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PENSION CONTRACT TERMINATION GUIDELINES—AGENCY IMPACT

California Government Code Sections 20570 through 20583 pertain to the termination of a Public Agency's contract with CalPERS. The following information is provided for careful consideration as to the potential impact on the employees and the financial obligation of the agency.

Agency Information

A contracting agency may terminate the contract with CalPERS if the contract has been in effect at least **five years**. A resolution giving notice of intention to terminate must be adopted by affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of the governing body. The termination may be effective not less than 90 days and not more than 1 year following the adoption of the resolution of intention by adoption of a final resolution or ordinance terminating the contract. If the original contract was approved by an ordinance adopted by a majority vote of the electorate, a majority vote of the electorate is also required for termination. The contract termination mandatorily applies to all groups covered in the contract.

Upon receipt of the Resolution of Intention to terminate, the agency will be requested to review the data on active and inactive members, retirees, beneficiaries of members (name, social security number, birth date, sex, service credit, current salary) and to list any recent hires, retirements, deaths, or separations. CalPERS will perform a preliminary valuation based on all current members leaving their contributions on deposit. The final valuation will be based on data validated by the agency and performed three to six months after the effective date of the contract termination. The terminating agency is responsible for sufficient funding to continue paying the retirement and death benefits being paid. Retirees and beneficiaries receiving CalPERS benefits monthly must remain with the System. Based on the actuarial valuation, sufficient funding for future benefits payable to members or beneficiaries of members electing to have their funds remain on deposit with the System, is also the responsibility of the agency.

A comparison is made of funds needed to pay the member benefits and the agency's funds on deposit. Any excess funds as of the termination effective date are refunded to the agency. In the event of a shortage of funds, the agency is required to pay the deficit upon contract termination. Failure to fund the deficit may result in proportionately reduced benefits for all members and/or a lien being placed on the assets of the terminating agency.

If an agency is currently participating in CalPERS health benefits program, eligibility for participation under the Public Employees' Medical & Hospital Care Act terminates when an agency terminates their CalPERS contract. A contracting agency can elect to continue participation in the CalPERS health benefits program as a "special district". To be eligible for continued participation the agency must continue to meet the definition of a public agency and must file a new resolution adopted by the agency's governing body.

An agency that terminates their contract may again contract with CalPERS. The contract, however, may not be effective earlier than three years after the termination effective date.



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PENSION CONTRACT TERMINATION GUIDELINES—MEMBER IMPACT

Withdrawal of Contributions

Members not employed by a CalPERS employer may elect to withdraw their member contributions (including interest) or leave them on deposit with the System, regardless of the amount of service credit.

Members electing to withdraw their contributions will not be entitled to any future benefits based on their employment with the terminated agency. They may not redeposit the contributions for service credit regardless of any future employment with a CalPERS agency, unless the terminated agency again contracts with CalPERS.

Contributions on Deposit

Members who leave their funds on deposit and meet the requirements that apply to other members, may retire for service or disability. The disability must occur prior to contract termination and the application must be received by the System within four months of the contract termination effective date. The minimum service requirement does not apply.

Benefits are frozen and calculations are based on the benefit level in effect on the date of contract termination. However, the agency may enter into an agreement to ensure the final compensation used in the calculation of benefits is based on a higher payrate if the member later works for another CalPERS employer or reciprocal system.

The annual cost of living increase factor is frozen at the percentage applicable on the date of contract termination. Retirees will not be entitled to any one-time allowance increases provided by legislation affecting public agencies, or legislation allowing such increases as optional benefits for public agencies.

Credit for unused sick leave (if offered by the terminating agency) will only be used in calculating the retirement allowance if the retirement becomes effective no later than four months after the contract termination date.

The beneficiary of a member who leaves funds on deposit and dies after the contract termination effective date, and prior to retirement, will not be entitled to elect a monthly allowance, but will receive a refund of the contributions and interest on deposit.

The 1957 Survivor Benefit is not payable unless the member is employed by a CalPERS agency at the time of death.

Unless the member is employed by a CalPERS agency that provides this benefit at the time of death, the 1959 Survivor Benefit is not payable.