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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

We have retained HilltopSecurities Inc., as our financial advisor. It is a registered municipal advisor. We are represented by and will rely on our financial advisor to provide advice on proposals from financial services firms concerning the issuance of municipal securities, the investment of bond proceeds and escrow investments. By “rely on” we mean that we intend to seek and consider the advice, analysis, and perspective of our financial advisor before acting on any such proposals, although we may not necessarily follow its advice and we may also rely on representations, if any, made by financial services firms in proposals or otherwise.

Financial services firms may rely on this certification for purposes of qualifying for the so-called “IRMA” exemption afforded by SEC Rule 15Ba1-1(d)(3)(vi) until we replace it with an updated or correcting letter posted at the same page on our internet site or sent to the same address, if any, to which we have sent this letter. To confirm that this certification is current, financial services firms may contact the El Paso Water’s Chief Financial Officer, Arturo Duran at (915)-594-5549, ADuran@epwater.org or Lee Ann B. Koehler, General Counsel at (915) 594-5607, leeannkoehler@epwater.org.

Financial services firms that wish to learn the identity of individuals at our financial advisor who will participate in any manner in advising us, including by participating in the management, direction, supervision, or performance of related activities, should contact our financial advisor, Maria Fernanda Urbina at (915) 351-7228, maria.urbina@hilltopsecurities.com. Financial services firms may submit proposals and other recommendations to us in care of the undersigned. They need not send a copy to our financial advisor. If we choose to give serious consideration to a proposal, we intend to provide it to our financial advisor for its advice.

Sincerely,

Arturo Duran

Chief Financial Officer