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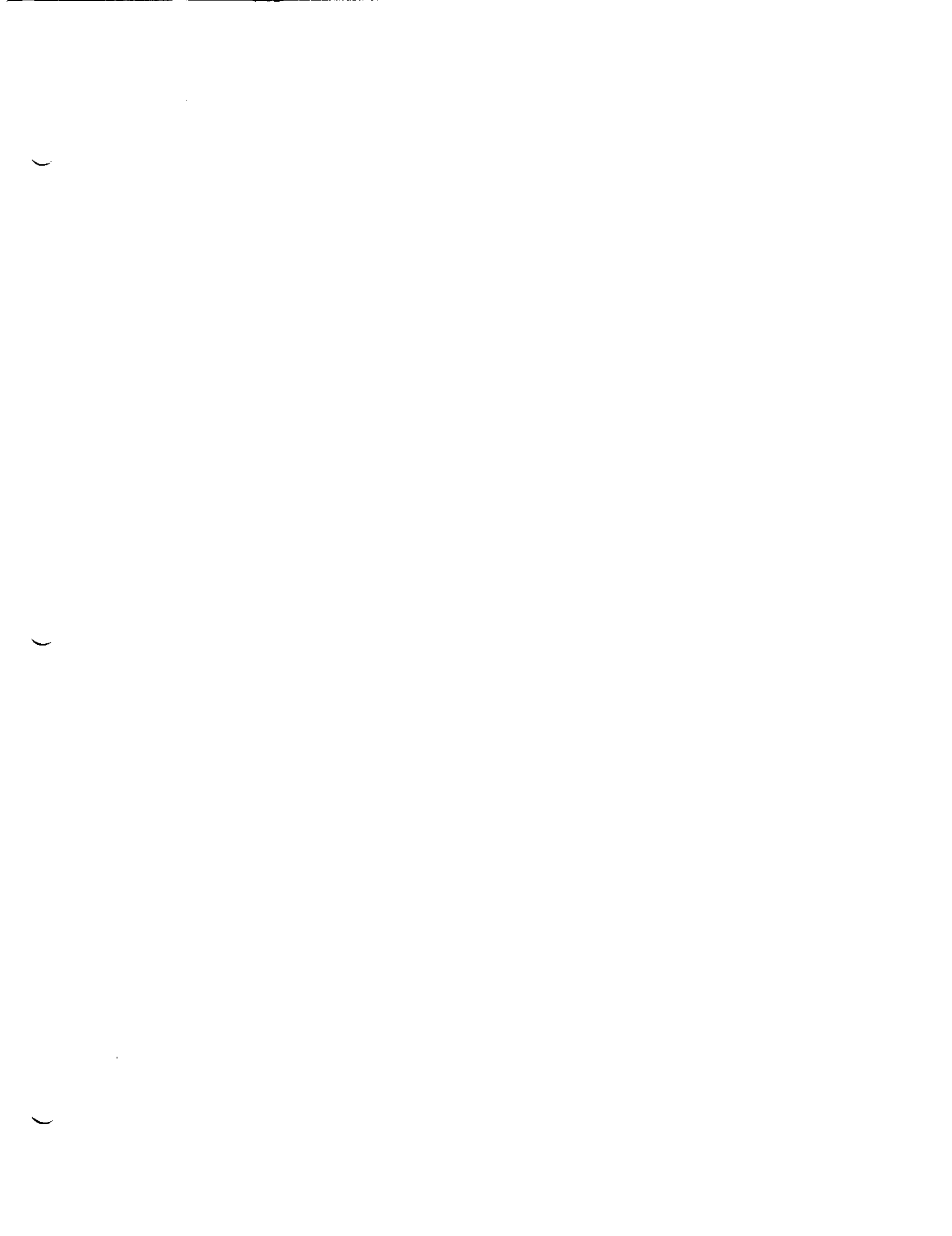
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THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

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Legal Problems re Formation of MWD

Background:

- o Needs of Los Angeles and other Southern California municipalities for additional water supply source
- o Colorado River only available source
- o Lack of legal entity for this purpose
- o Adoption of MWD Act (Stats. 1969, Ch. 209, as amended)
- o Formation by interested cities

Later annexation of districts, etc.

Legal Problems in Operation of MWD

Contract with Federal Government

- o Background--terms, quantity
- o Seven-Party Agreement
- o Arizona v. California--impact (376 U.S. 340 (1964))
- o Exchange agreements
- o Current Indian claims

Contract with State

- o Needs--background
- o Essential terms
- o Expansion after Arizona v. California decision
- o Current disputes

Activities and operation of Department of Water Resources

Allocation of costs

Relationship With Member Agencies

- o Pricing policies
- o Water supply regulations