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Ms. Heather Halsey
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Re: Designation of Joint Claimant Representative
California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region, Order No. R9-2009-0002, 10-TC-11
City of Laguna Hills

Dear Ms. Halsey,

The City of Laguna Hills submits this letter in response to correspondence dated December 8, 2016, from the Commission on State Mandates ("Commission") in the matter of *California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region, Order No. R9-2009-0002, 10-TC-11* ("Test Claim"). The Commission's letter grants the County of Orange and Orange County Flood Control District (collectively, "County") an extension of time to cure certain deficiencies in the Test Claim. The letter also states that "the co-claimants must have agreed to your representation and should have no problem revising their forms for the record. ... a party must designate *in writing* the authorized representative to act as its *sole representative* and that any change in representation shall be authorized by the party *in writing and filed and served* in accordance with section 1181.3 of the Commission's regulations." (Emphasis in original.)

Because the Commission's letter identifies uncertainty regarding whether the Test Claim is a joint effort due to the lack of a single claimant representative, it is unclear whether the extension granted to the County also applies to the City. To resolve this uncertainty, the City confirms that Julia Woo of the Orange County Counsel's office was authorized as the contact person to act as the resource for information regarding the Test Claim. (Cal. Code Regs., tit.2, § 1183.1, subd. (g)(3).) The County's request for an extension of time also served as a request on behalf of the City.

We appreciate the extension of time to submit revised documentation for the Test Claim. As it did in preparing the original Test Claim, the City will work with the County of Orange to submit the revised Test Claim materials by January 5, 2017.

Sincerely,

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DECLARATION OF SERVICE BY EMAIL

I, the undersigned, declare as follows:

I am a resident of the County of Sacramento and I am over the age of 18 years, and not a party to the within action. My place of employment is 980 Ninth Street, Suite 300, Sacramento, California 95814.

On December 9, 2016, I served the:

Designation of Julia Woo as Joint Claimant Representative by the City of Laguna Niguel, Designation of Julia Woo as Joint Claimant Representative by the City of Dana Point, Designation of Julia Woo as Joint Claimant Representative by the City of Laguna Hills, Designation of Julia Woo as Joint Claimant Representative by the City of Mission Viejo, and Clarification of Extension Request Approval

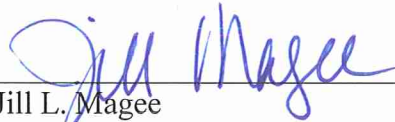
*California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region,
Order No. R9-2009-0002, 10-TC-11*

County of Orange, Orange County Flood Control District,
Cities of Dana Point, Laguna Hills, Laguna Niguel,

Lake Forest, Mission Viejo, and San Juan Capistrano, Co-Claimants

by making it available on the Commission's website and providing notice of how to locate it to the email addresses provided on the attached mailing list.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct, and that this declaration was executed on December 9, 2016 at Sacramento, California.



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