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California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region, Order No. R9-2010-0016, 11-TC-03

County of Riverside, Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District,
Cities of Murrieta, Temecula and Wildomar, Co-Claimants

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO SUBMIT COMMENTS AND TO SUBMIT THE ADMINISTRATIVE RECORD FOR ORDER NO. R9-2010-0016

Dear Ms. Halsey:

By letter dated May 8, 2017, the Commission on State Mandates (Commission) issued a Notice of Complete Joint Test Claim Filing, Removal Inactive Status, Schedule for Comments, Renaming of Matter, Request for Administrative Record, and Notice of Tentative Hearing Date (Notice) in the above matter. On May 24, 2017, the Commission approved the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (San Diego Water Board) and State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) (collectively Water Boards) extension request, establishing a new deadline for filing comments and the administrative record(s) of July 7, 2017. The Commission granted a further extension of time establishing a comment and administrative record deadline of August 22, 2017. Water Boards intend to submit written comments analyzing and responding to the merits of the Test Claim and the administrative record for the underlying MS4 permit but, for the reasons described below, respectfully request an additional thirty days or until **September 22, 2017**, to complete our response.

First, as previously stated, the Water Boards want to closely evaluate the Test Claim and address the specific issues identified by the Commission in its original and June 20, 2017, notices. Second, I am the attorney assigned to test claim matters arising from San Diego Water Board MS4 permits. In addition to my work on this Test Claim, I am

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responsible for preparing comments and the record for the test claim in *California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region, Order No. R9-2013-0001, 14-TC-03* (San Diego County, Claimant) (currently with a deadline of August 25, 2017),¹ and *10-TC-11* (Order No. R9-2009-0002), tentatively set for hearing in December 2017. I am also working concurrently on significant permitting and cleanup matters, other routine but essential matters (including preparation for and attendance at board workshops and meetings), and assisting the Attorney General's Office with three active litigation matters involving the San Diego Water Board, two of which have hearings in superior court in the next several weeks (September 1 and September 8). These competing priorities have limited my ability to devote the time necessary to complete the Boards' response to the Test Claim by the due date of August 22, 2017, as planned.

Section 1187.9, subdivision (a), of the Commission's regulations provides that as long as a postponement of a hearing would not be required, there is no prejudice to any party or interested party, and there is no other good reason for denial, a request for extension of time to file comments on a test claim shall be approved. The hearing on this Test Claim is tentatively scheduled for March 23, 2018. The Water Boards do not believe that postponement of the hearing will be required if the extension is granted. If, however, the Commission believes that granting this extension would constrain the time necessary for the Commission to prepare for a hearing, the Water Boards also request corresponding postponement of the hearing date pursuant to section 1187.9, subdivision (b), of the Commission's regulations based upon consideration of the above reasons.

For all of the reasons described above, the Water Boards respectfully request that the deadline for submission of written comments on the Test Claim and the administrative record for the underlying permit be extended 30 days to **September 22, 2017**. The Water Boards appreciate your consideration of this request. I can be reached at (619) 521-3012 or by e-mail at Catherine.Hagan@waterboards.ca.gov if there are questions.

Sincerely,



Catherine George Hagan
Senior Staff Counsel

cc: Service List [via Commission Drop Box]

¹ The Water Boards are simultaneously requesting an extension of time to submit written comments and the administrative record for the underlying MS4 Permit in *California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region, Order No. R9-2013-0001, San Diego County, 14-TC-03*, on substantially the same grounds.

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 August 17, 2017, I served the:

- **Notice of Extension Request Approval issued August 17, 2017**
- **SWRCB and SDRWQCB Request for Extension of Time filed August 16, 2017**

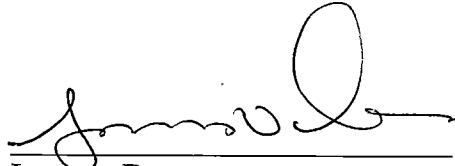
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By making it available on the Commission's website and providing notice of how to locate it to the email addresses provided on the attached mailing list.

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 August 17, 2017 at Sacramento, California.



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