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And Affected State Agencies and Interested Parties (See Mailing List)

Re: **Notice of Complete Test Claim Filing and Schedule for Comments**
San Diego Region Water Permit – Orange County, 10-TC-11
California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region, Order No. R9-2009-0002, effective December 16, 2009
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

Dear Mr. Hunt:

On June 30, 2011, the County of Orange, Orange County Flood Control District, Cities of Dana Point, Laguna Hills, Laguna Niguel, Lake Forest, Mission Viejo, and San Juan Capistrano filed a joint test claim on the above-named matter. Your June 20 letter states: "The County is the contact for this joint Test Claim." When we spoke earlier this week you confirmed that, consistent with California Code of Regulations, title 2 (the Commission's regulations), section 1183(h)(3), "the claimants have designated one contact person [you] to act as the resource for information regarding the test claim." Upon initial review, Commission staff found the test claim to be complete. The Commission on State Mandates (Commission) is now requesting state agencies and interested parties to comment on the test claim as specified below.

State Agency Review of Test Claim

State agencies receiving this letter are requested to analyze the merits of the test claim and to file written comments on or before **August 12, 2011**. Alternatively, if a state agency chooses not to respond to this request, please submit a written statement of non-response to the Commission. Requests for extensions of time may be filed in accordance with the sections1183.01(c) and 1181.1(h) of the Commission's regulations.

Claimant Rebuttal

The claimant and interested parties may file rebuttals to state agencies' comments under section 1183.02 of the Commission's regulations. The rebuttal is due 30 days from the service date of written comments.

Process for Filing Comments

The Commission will promulgate a mailing list of parties, interested parties, and interested persons for each test claim and provide the list to those included on the list, and to anyone who requests a copy.

You are advised that comments filed with the Commission are required to be simultaneously served on the other interested parties on the mailing list, and to be accompanied by a proof of service. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 2, § 1181.2.) However, this requirement may also be satisfied by electronically filing your documents on the Commission's website. Please see the Commission's website at http://www.csm.ca.gov/dropbox_procedures.shtml for instructions on electronic filing. The comments will be posted on the Commission's website and the mailing list will be notified by electronic mail of the posting and the comment period. This procedure will satisfy all the service requirements under section 1181.2(c) of the Commission's regulations.

Please contact Heidi Palchik at (916) 323-8218 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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