STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 75-74

CONCURRENCE WITH EXCEPTIONS TO THE THERMAL PLAN FOR FIBREBOARD CORPORATION (STOCKTON)

WHEREAS:

- 1. The State Water Resources Control Board has adopted a "Water Quality Control Policy for Control of Temperature in the Coastal and Interstate Waters and Enclosed Bays and Estuaries of California", commonly referred to as the Thermal Plan, which sets special limitations on existing discharges.
- 2. Fibreboard Corporation, in correspondence dated October 25, 1974, requested that it be provided with an exception to Provision 5.A.(1)c, and the 86°F maximum temperature criteria of Provision 5.A.(2) of said Thermal Plan.
- 3. Temperature distribution studies in the receiving waters indicate that the 2.0 mgd discharge at 96°F elevates the steady-state temperature (87°F) of Mormon Slough 1.1°F to 88.1°F, and that the proposed maximum 3.5 mgd discharge at 96°F will elevate the steady-state temperature of Mormon Slough 1.7°F to 88.7°F.
- 4. Alternatives for compliance with the specific water quality objectives of the Thermal Plan include cooling of the discharge to 86°F with cooling towers.
- 5. The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board has determined that compliance by Fibreboard Corporation, Stockton, with specific water quality objectives of the Thermal Plan would require modification of operations of facilities not commensurate with the beneficial uses of McDougald Slough and Mormon Slough.
- 6. The Regional Board has by Resolution No. 74-563 requested the concurrence of the State Water Resources Control Board with alternative less stringent requirements to those of the Thermal Plan for Fibreboard Corporation.
- 7. The State Board has reviewed all pertinent materials and finds that the exceptions to the Thermal Plan proposed by the Regional Board will "assure the protection and propagation of a balanced indigenous population* of shellfish, fish and wildlife..." within the meaning of Section 316(a) of P. L. 92-500.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Resources Control Board concurs with Resolution No. 74-563 of the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board, and finds that alternative less stringent requirements to the Thermal Plan recommended for Fibreboard Corporation, Stockton, will assure the protection and propagation of a balanced indigenous population of shellfish, fish, and wildlife within the meaning of Section 316(a) of P. L. 92-500.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Executive Officer of the State Water Resources Control Board, does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the State Water Resources Control Board held on JUL 17 1975

Bill B. Dendy Executive Officer

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