STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 2007-0067

AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT FOR WATER RECYCLING RESEARCH WITH THE WATEREUSE FOUNDATION (WRF)

WHEREAS:

- 1. The Costa-Machado Water Act of 2000 (also known as Proposition 13 or the Safe Drinking Water, Clean Water, Watershed Protection, and Flood Protection Act) established the Water Recycling Subaccount, and authorizes the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) to use a portion of it to fund water recycling research.
- 2. The Division of Financial Assistance (Division), through the Water Recycling Funding Program (WRFP), administers an on-going research funding program using funds authorized under the Costa-Machado Water Act of 2000.
- 3. On January 18, 2007, the "Strategic Plan, January 2007-December 2008, Water Recycling Funding Program, Division of Financial Assistance" (Performance Plan) was approved by the Division. The Performance Plan calls for the WRFP to act as a partner and catalyst in statewide efforts to promote water recycling, including continuing financial support of the research program of the WRF. In addition, the Performance Plan calls for the WRFP to track performance of funded projects and to conduct a comprehensive analysis of a select group of previously funded projects to compare the planned benefits, costs, and recycled water deliveries with actual performance.
- 4. The WRF, an educational non-profit public benefit corporation that serves as a centralized organization for the water and wastewater community to advance the science of water recycling and desalination research, is one of the preeminent water recycling research funding organizations in the nation.
- 5. State Water Board <u>Resolutions No. 2001-049</u> and <u>No. 2003-0037</u> authorized the Executive Director, or designee to negotiate, execute, and amend, as necessary, an agreement with the WateReuse Foundation regarding implementation of the Foundation's water recycling research program in two increments of \$1 million each.
- 6. The WRF has requested \$500,000 to continue its water recycling research program by funding research studies. In addition, the Division proposes to use the WRF to administer \$150,000 of State funds to conduct a comprehensive performance analysis of a select group of previously funded projects, as called for in the Performance Plan.
- 7. The WateReuse Foundation will match the additional \$500,000 with United States Bureau of Reclamation funds, other funds, and in-kind services.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- 1. The State Water Board authorizes the Executive Director, the Chief Deputy Director, the Deputy Director of the Division, or designee to negotiate and execute an Agreement with the WRF, for an amount not to exceed \$650,000, and to make additional amendments as necessary.
- 2. The State Water Board authorizes the Executive Director, the Chief Deputy Director, the Deputy Director of the Division, or designee to perform all acts and to do all things necessary and convenient to implement such an agreement.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Acting Clerk to the 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 December 4, 2007.

AYE: Tam M. Doduc

Gary Wolff, P.E., Ph.D. Arthur G. Baggett, Jr. Charles R. Hoppin Frances Spivy-Weber

NO: None

ABSTAIN: None

Jeanine Townsend Acting Clerk to the Board

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