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Re: SWRCB/OCC File A-2456(i) – **Request to Hold in Abeyance** the  
Petition of the Riverside County Flood Control & Water Conservation  
District, the County of Riverside and the Cities of Murrieta, Temecula and  
Wildomar for Review of Action of the California Regional Water Quality  
Control Board, San Diego Region, in adopting Order No. R9-2015-0100

Dear Mr. Mallory-Jones:

This office represents the Riverside County Flood Control & Water Conservation District, the County of Riverside and the Cities of Murrieta, Temecula and Wildomar ("Petitioners") with respect to the above-referenced petition, SWRCB/OCC File A-2456(i) (the "Petition"). I am writing to request that, pursuant to section 2050.5(d) of Cal. Code Reg., tit. 23, the Petition be placed into abeyance as of the date of this letter, until such time as Petitioners request that the Petition be removed from abeyance.

On March 15, 2016, the State Board deemed the Petition complete and consolidated it with certain other petitions addressing the San Diego Water Board's order. On November 4, 2016, the State Board issued notice of a proposed "own motion" review of the order because the Board could not complete review of the petitions within the 270 day time period prescribed by Cal. Code Reg., tit. 23, section 2050.5 subdiv. (a). We understand that the deadline for the Board to act on the Petition is December 9, 2016.

It is Petitioners' desire that the State Board resolve the issues contained in the Petition as soon as possible. In light of the December 9, 2016 deadline, however, Petitioners are requesting that the Petition be put in abeyance in order to preserve their

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legal rights should the State Board not take up the review of the Petition, and all issues set forth therein, by that date.

Please contact the undersigned if you have any questions. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D.W. Burhenn", with a long horizontal line extending to the right from the end of the signature.

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