

## WAIVER

By signing this waiver, I affirm and acknowledge the following:

I am duly authorized to represent National Beef California, LP (hereinafter "Discharger") in connection with Administrative Civil Liability Complaint R7-2014-0041 (hereinafter the "Complaint"). I am informed that California Water Code section 13323, subdivision (b), states that "a hearing before the regional board shall be conducted within 90 days after the party has been served [with the complaint]. The person who has been issued a complaint may waive the right to a hearing."

**(OPTION 1: Check here if the Discharger waives the hearing requirement and will pay the liability in full.)**

- a. I hereby waive any right the Discharger may have to a hearing before the Colorado River Basin Regional Water Quality Control Board (Board).
- b. I certify that the Discharger will remit payment for the proposed civil liability in the full amount of **3,750,000 Dollars (\$3,750,000)** by submitting a check that references "ACL Complaint R7-2014-0041" made payable to the State Water Pollution Cleanup and Abatement Account. Payment must be received by the Board within 30 days from the date on which this waiver is executed or the Board may adopt an Administrative Civil Liability Order requiring payment.
- c. I understand the payment of the above amount constitutes a proposed settlement of the Complaint, and that any settlement will not become final until after a 30-day public notice and comment period. Should the Board receive significant new information or comments from any source (excluding the Board's Prosecution Team) during this comment period, the Board's Assistant Executive Officer may withdraw the complaint, return payment, and issue a new complaint. I understand that this proposed settlement is subject to approval by the Board, and that the Board may consider this proposed settlement in a public meeting or hearing. I also understand that approval of the settlement will result in the Discharger having waived the right to contest the allegations in the Complaint and the imposition of civil liability.
- d. I understand that payment of the above amount is not a substitute for compliance with applicable laws and that continuing violations of the type alleged in the Complaint may subject the Discharger to further enforcement, including additional civil liability.

**(OPTION 2: Check here if the Discharger waives the 90-day hearing requirement in order to engage in settlement discussions.)**

I hereby waive any right the Discharger may have to a hearing before the Colorado River Basin Regional Water Quality Control Board (Board) within 90 days after service of the complaint, but I reserve the right to request a hearing in the future. I certify that the Discharger will promptly engage the Board's Prosecution Team in settlement discussions to attempt to resolve the outstanding violation(s). By checking this box, the Discharger requests that the Board delay the hearing so that the Discharger and the Prosecution Team can discuss settlement. It remains within the discretion of the Board to agree to delay the hearing. Any proposed settlement is subject to the conditions described above under "Option 1." Further, I understand that my waiving the right to a hearing before the Board within 90 days after service of the complaint does not preclude the Prosecution Team from proceeding to hearing, as set forth in the Notice of Hearing and Hearing Procedures provided to the Discharger.

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(Print Name and Title)

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(Signature)

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(Date)