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**Subject:** Oppose the Proposed Discharge Permit

Dear Members of the Board,

I own a few rental properties in the Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District (District) service region. I am not a large landlord, but have purchased some distressed properties, fixed them up, and rent them to good tenants. It is not a very profitable enterprise, and getting less so all the time.

This letter is in opposition to the proposed discharge permit proposal that will be considered by your Board in early December. Businesses across the state, including mine, are struggling in this economy. Few regions have suffered the way Sacramento has in this downturn. A \$2 billion bill to businesses and customers is simply unreasonable at this time.

Like other businesses, the state of our industry is at best unhealthy. We face declining rents and higher vacancies. It is unimaginable how I would absorb a whopping \$30-\$40 per month increase.

Given the strong disagreements by experts on this issue, I am not convinced that there is sufficient scientific evidence to justify this proposal. I ask that you vote against this proposed rate increase when it comes before you.

Thank you. Sincerely,

Julie H. Barrow