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Subject: Hearing Procedure for San Diego MS4 Permit hearing April 10-11 - request for time for presentation
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Dear Mr. Chiu,

I am writing to you with regard to the recently released letter on Hearing Procedure and Order of Proceedings for the April 10-11 hearing on the draft San Diego MS4 permit. While we understand the Board's interest in ensuring that the hearing proceeds in an orderly and timely fashion, NRDC is concerned with the manner in which the Board has allotted time for presentation to "Environmental NGOs" at the hearing. In particular, the Board has given a lump sum of time for presentation to these groups of 1-hour, to be parceled out among organizations that NRDC neither coordinates with, nor necessarily holds the same positions as on any or all issues related to adoption of the Regional MS4 permit. We further note that "Coastkeeper," could refer to either or both of two different organizations that have a longstanding interest in the proceeding—San Diego Coastkeeper and Orange County Coastkeeper.

NRDC is interested in coordinating a presentation with the two Coastkeeper organizations in order to ensure that the hearing proceeds efficiently, but we ask that our 3 groups, which have been deeply involved in the permitting process, be allotted a total of 40 minutes of time for presentation, separate from time allotted to any other Environmental NGOs that may wish to present independently of NRDC and the Coastkeepers.

Thank you for your attention to this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

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