STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD

RESOLUTION NO. 80-75

POLICY STATEMENT REGARDING PARTICIPATION OF SMALL BUSINESSES, MINORITY AND WOMEN-OWNED FIRMS IN STATE CONTRACTING AND PURCHASES

WHEREAS:

- 1. The California Legislature has declared that it serves a public purpose, and is of benefit to the State, to promote and facilitate to the fullest, participation by all citizens in the affairs of the State of California and it is desirable to improve the economy of the State of California in every possible way. It is also essential that opportunity is provided for full participation in our free enterprise system by small business enterprises.
- 2. Further, it is the declared policy of the Legislature that the State should aid, counsel, assist, and protect, insofar as is possible, the interests of small business concerns in order to preserve free competitive enterprise and to ensure that a fair proportion of the total purchases and contracts or subcontracts for property and services for the State be placed with small business enterprises.
- 3. The State Board recognizes the benefit of promoting and facilitating the participation by all citizens in the affairs of the State Board, and the desirability of improving the State's economy in every possible way.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- 1. That the State Water Resources Control Board does hereby affirm its support and encouragement to increase participation of small businesses, minority and women-owned firms in state contracting and purchasing.
- 2. That in accordance with Federal and State regulations, the State Board will extend efforts to seek out and assist small businesses, minority businesses, and women-owned firms in order to increase their participation in the State Board's business transactions with the private sector.
- 3. That it is State Board policy that all Divisions and Regional Boards shall encourage such participation by developing and expanding programs to ensure equal access for small businesses, minority businesses, and women-owned firms.

- 4. That Executive Director and Regional Board Executive Officers are directed to work with the Small Business Office and the California Office of Minority Business Enterprise in order to comply with the Small Business Procurement and Contract Act and the State Administrative Manual Section 1204.
- 5. That each Division and Regional Board will submit quarterly Standard Form 810 for reporting as required in SAM Section 1204.
- 6. That the Regional Boards are encouraged to develop and implement a minority business program in order to comply with the State Administrative Manual Section 1204. The State Board is available for asssistance in developing such a program.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Executive Director of the State Water Resources Control 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 October 16, 1980

Clint Whitney
Executive Director