## STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 87-46

APPROVAL OF A TOXIC AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS HEALTH AND SAFETY PROCEDURES MANUAL FOR PROTECTION OF STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD (STATE BOARD) AND REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD (REGIONAL BOARD) EMPLOYEES

## WHEREAS:

- State law requires that employers provide a safe and healthful working environment for employees.
- Many State and Regional Board employees are required to inspect facilities at which hazardous wastes or toxic substances are handled or contained, and employees could be exposed to potential hazards to their health.
- 3. The State Board has established a Statewide Health and Safety Committee.
- 4. The Statewide Health and Safety Committee has developed and the State Board has adopted a Toxics and Hazardous Materials Health and Safety Policy (Policy) to help ensure a safe and healthful working environment for State and Regional Board employees.
- 5. Staff was directed to develop a program by May 1, 1987 to ensure compliance with the medical surveillance and training requirements of the Policy.
- 6. The Committee has drafted a proposed Toxic and Hazardous Materials H&S Procedures Manual.
- 7. A number of staff have received medical clearance and training in dealing with potential toxics exposure. Additional training should be conducted, additional equipment should be acquired, and the administrative procedures proposed in the Procedures Manual should be implemented promptly.
- 8. These procedures are not a "project" for purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act because the procedures are part of the continuing administrative activities of the State Board, which include general policy and procedure making [Title 14, California Administrative Code, Section 15378(b)(3)].

## THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the State Board hereby approves the Toxic and Hazardous Materials Health and Safety Procedures Manual for protection of State and Regional Board employees and directs that it be implemented as promptly as is feasible.

- 2. The first annual progress report to the Board on implementation of the Health and Safety Program shall be due in October 1987. At that time, the Committee and the Executive Director shall report specifically on the status of implementation of the subject procedures.
- That the State Board hereby delegates to the Executive Director the authority to approve future changes to the Procedures Manual, consistent with the Board's Policy.

## CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Administrative Assistant to the 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 May 21, 1987.

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