STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 91-22

APPROVAL OF THE 1990 TRIENNIAL REVIEW AND THE REPORT ON THE 1990 REVIEW--WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR SALINITY--COLORADO RIVER SYSTEM

WHEREAS:

- 1. In 1975, the seven Colorado River Basin states, including California, established water quality standards (objectives) for salinity for the Colorado River.
- 2. Section 303 of the Federal Clean Water Act mandates that water quality standards be reviewed at least once every three years and revised as necessary (Triennial Review).
- 3. The seven-state Colorado River Basin Salinity Control Forum (Forum) reviewed the 1975 state-adopted and EPA-approved standards in 1978, 1981, 1984, and 1987. Changes were made in the plan of implementation. Those reviews were approved by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).
- 4. The Forum conducted another Triennial Review in 1990 and adopted reports which update the plan of implementation and reaffirm the appropriateness of existing numeric objectives. The reports are titled: (1) Report on the 1990 Review--Water Quality Standards for Salinity--Colorado River System, May 1990; and (2) Supplemental Report on the 1990 Review, October 1990 (Forum Reports).
- 5. The State Water Resources Control Board (State Board) held a public hearing on March 6, 1991 concerning the Triennial Review and proposed adoption of the review reports.
- 6. A written environmental report has been prepared in accordance with the State Board's certified functional equivalent process. Each project implemented will be subject to separate environmental review under Federal statutes and applicable statutes of the state in which the project is located.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That the State Board:

1. Approves the Triennial Review of the Colorado River Salinity Objectives and Implementation Plan as presented in the Forum Reports.

2. Directs the Executive Director to forward the documents and this Resolution to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 8 (Denver), for approval of the 1990 Triennial Review process.

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 March 21, 1991.

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