STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 93-14

APPROVAL OF STATE WATER POLLUTION CLEANUP AND ABATEMENT ACCOUNT FUNDS FOR TREATMENT OF SEWAGE FLOWS DIVERTED FROM THE TIJUANA RIVER

WHEREAS:

- 1. The State Water Board Resolution 91-27 allocated \$860,000 from the State Water Pollution Cleanup and Abatement Account (Account) to cover the cost to the City of San Diego (City) for analysis, transport, treatment (treatment) and disposal of the wastewater flows diverted by Mexico to San Diego from Tijuana, Mexico, with the condition that funding would not be repeated:
- 2. The City has requested funds from the Account to continue treatment of Tijuana sewage during the 1993 Federal Fiscal Year;
- The City has identified the incremental cost of treatment as \$181 per million gallons of sewage;
- 4. At a flow of 13 million gallons per day, the annual incremental cost of treatment could range between \$400,000 and \$800,000 depending on the number of days that sewage is diverted by Mexico to San Diego from the Tijuana River (River);
- 5. The federal government provided \$313,000 to fund the treatment of Tijuana sewage during the 1993 Federal Fiscal Year;
- 6. If the City did not continue treatment, sewage would remain in the River during periods when it would otherwise be dry;
- 7. Tijuana sewage flows in the River present a serious public health threat in the Tijuana River Valley and San Diego County beaches: and
- 8. The primary responsibility for reimbursing the City for such treatment rests with the federal government.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Board hereby approves the allocation of up to \$300,000 from the Account to the City under the following conditions:

- All existing federal funds for analysis, transport, treatment and disposal of Tijuana wastewater be exhausted using a \$181 per million gallons incremental cost rate;
- o Incremental treatment costs for the remaining federal fiscal year will be divided equally between funds provided by the City and the Account;

- o Reimbursement for treatment will be based on quarterly submittals of the records of diverted flows, certified by the Commissioner of the International Boundary and Water Commission, U. S. Section; and
- o The City will reimburse the Account if and when the federal government reimburses the City in excess of \$313,000 already approved for such treatment. Such federal reimbursement will be divided equally between the Account and the City and shall be based on the incremental cost of treatment.

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 January 21, 1993.

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