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Ms. Debbie Irvin
Clerk to the Board
State Water Resources Control Board
1001 I Street, 24th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Support for draft General Industrial Stormwater Permit

Dear Ms. Irvin:

Our company's business employs both salary and union employees in the greater San Francisco Bay Area with a satellite office that additionally employs salary and union workers in Sacramento, California. We are in the construction industry.

We support the draft General Industrial Stormwater Permit as proposed because it provides a rational, cost-effective approach for businesses like ours to protect water supplies.

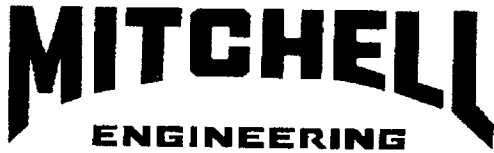
We understand, however, that some have asked for amendments requiring numeric limits for stormwater discharges. Such an approach violates state and federal guidelines for stormwater management, would be ineffective because of the nature of stormwater and would cost companies like mine thousands of dollars.

Please keep me informed on future developments with this permit.

Sincerely,

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Ms. Irvin:

Please find attached letter regarding the draft General Industrial Stormwater Permit.

Thank you.