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February 1, 2005

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:

TIMEC Company, Inc. employs approximately 1500 employees in the state of California, with the majority of our employees in Vallejo, CA and Carson, CA. TIMEC Company, Inc. provides project, construction, and turnaround services for the Refining Industry.

We support the draft General Industrial Stormwater Permit as proposed because it provides a rational, cost-effective approach for businesses like TIMEC 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 and would be ineffective because of the nature of stormwater.

Please keep us informed on future developments with this permit.

Sincerely,

Dennis Truitt
Vice President, Corporate Health and Safety
TIMEC Company, Inc.

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