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EXECUTIVE OFFICE

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Mr. Arthur Baggett, Jr. State Water Resources Board P.O. Box 100 Sacramento, CA 95812

Dear Mr. Baggett:

Wymore, Inc. has been in business in the Imperial Valley since 1947 and is still family owned and operated. We deal with machining, welding, tools and industrial supplies. Many of our largest clients are involved with farming in the Imperial Valley. Basically, agricultural repair work is our main source of income. Fallowing in this area would have a very negative effect on our clients, which would result in the same effect on our business.

We have been informed that the original transfer agreement between the Imperial Irrigation District and San Diego prohibited fallowing and was based on active conservation measures, which called for voluntary participation. It seems that the politicians are now leading us to a point where the only option is fallowing and participation is no longer voluntary.

How are our clients' businesses and our own supposed to save the Salton Sea and supply San Diego? Why not try some alternative ideas? Startup a process in desalinization of ocean water; start requiring double piping in all new construction so that water is re-used; and start recycling water like the City of Santee.

There must be options other than taking water supply away from one of the nation's largest produce suppliers. Fallowing would cause severe job loss and would be an enormous deficit to the economy. It might be a good way to save San Diego, but it is a great way to destroy the Imperial Valley. We ask that you consider any alternative.

Sincerely,

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