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San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board

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Dear Mr. Mallory-Jones:

Subject: **SWRCB/OCC File A-2455 (a-m); Request for Extension of Time to File Responses to Petitions and to File the Administrative Record**

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region (Regional Water Board) received the Complete Petition letter for the above-referenced petitions. The Complete Petition letter, dated March 15, 2016, requires that any responses to the petitions be filed within 30 days and requests that the Regional Water Board file the administrative record within the same time period.

California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 2050.5(a) provides that the State Water Resources Control Board may extend the time for filing a response to a petition or the time for filing the administrative record. Due to the complexity and number of issues covered in the permit and petitions, the Regional Water Board respectfully requests a minimum of 30 additional days to file responses to the petitions and to file the administrative record in this matter.

The response will address thirteen separate petitions for review of Regional Water Board Order No. R2-2015-0049, a municipal stormwater NPDES permit which has 76 enrollees. The petitions raise numerous complex issues, and preparation of a response that adequately accounts for the Regional Water Board's consideration and position on them entails a substantial workload that will span well beyond 30 days from the Complete Petition notice. Preparation of the extensive administrative record, which covers a two plus year period in which the permit was developed plus a six month public review process, including three public hearings, leading to Regional Water Board adoption of the Order, also entails a substantial workload that will span beyond 30 days.

We greatly appreciate your consideration of this request. Please contact Thomas Mumley at [Thomas.Mumley@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:Thomas.Mumley@waterboards.ca.gov) or 510-622-2395 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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