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Via Email and Overnight Delivery

Re: ORDER WR 2009-0060 CALIFORNIA AMERICA WATER-MONTEREY

Dear Ms. Marcus, Mr. Howard and Mr. Quint,

On behalf of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea, I am writing in support of the comments on the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) Preliminary Staff Recommendation to Modify Cease and Desist Order WR 2009-0060 submitted by the "applicants" California-American Water Company (Cal-Am), the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District (MPWMD), the Monterey Peninsula Regional Water Authority (MPRWA), the City of Pacific Grove, and the Pebble Beach Company.

The City of Carmel-by-the-Sea shares the concerns laid out by the "applicants" regarding the modifications made to the Preliminary Recommendation. In order to allow key Peninsula stakeholders to identify alternate water supplies for the region without major disruption to the community, the City requests that the amendments submitted to the SWRCB by the "applicants" on June 29, 2016, be incorporated into the Preliminary Recommendation. These recommendations include: (1) setting the effective diversion limit at 8,310 acre-feet per annum rather than 7,990 acre-feet per annum as proposed by the SWRCB; (2) permitting Cal-Am to carryover water credits to following years that see a reduced effective diversion limit; (3) allowing Cal-Am to increase the effective diversion limit in any given year up to 50% for any supplemental water rights; and (4) changing the first milestone date to December 1, 2016 to

allow for adequate time for the California Public Utilities Commission to approve the Pure Water Monterey Groundwater Replenishment Program.

I have pledged to carry on Mayor Jason Burnett's legacy as a leader in water issues for the Monterey Peninsula. The City of Carmel-by-the-Sea, regional groups, and Peninsula residents have continually demonstrated a strong commitment to reducing water consumption and exploring alternate water resources in order to be in compliance with the Cease and Desist Order. The proposed modifications to the Preliminary Recommendation will allow this work to continue to fruition. Thank-you for the opportunity to comment on this important matter and for the considerations of the proposed modifications.

Sincerely Yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Steve G. Dallas", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mayor Steve G. Dallas