

FIRM / AFFILIATE OFFICES

Abu Dhabi	Moscow
Barcelona	Munich
Beijing	New Jersey
Brussels	New York
Chicago	Orange County
Doha	Paris
Dubai	Riyadh
Frankfurt	Rome
Hamburg	San Diego
Hong Kong	San Francisco
Houston	Shanghai
London	Silicon Valley
Los Angeles	Singapore
Madrid	Tokyo
Milan	Washington, D.C.

October 7, 2010

**VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL & U.S. MAIL**

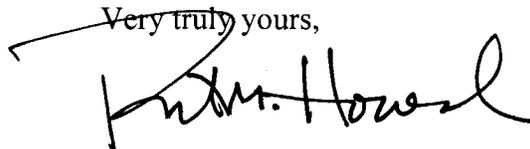
David W. Gibson  
Executive Officer  
California Regional Water Quality Control Board  
9174 Sky Park Court, Suite 100  
San Diego, CA 92123

**Re: Tentative Order No. R9-2010-0124, General Permit No. CAG999002  
General Waste Discharge Requirements for the Public Display of Fireworks**

Dear Mr. Gibson:

On behalf of the La Jolla Community Fireworks Foundation, we respectfully request an extension of the October 18, 2010 public comment period and the November 2010 Board hearing relating to Tentative Order R9-2010-0124 and General Permit CAG999002, which pertains to the public display of fireworks. The Tentative Order and General Permit were first circulated for public comment on September 23, 2010, only three weeks before the current deadline for public comments. The legal, scientific, economic and civic issues presented by the Tentative Order and General Permit are highly consequential and will affect, among other things, coastal communities, fireworks sponsors, tourism, tax revenues, national celebrations, civic traditions, and public safety. We believe that there are so many different stakeholders and the issues so consequential that any proposed first-in-the-nation regulation of coastal fireworks calls for, at a minimum, a public work shop and sufficient time to analyze the Regional Water Quality Control Board staff's proposal. We therefore request that the staff hold a work shop to allow all stakeholders to present the legal, scientific, economic and other public policy considerations not presently reflected in the record. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Very truly yours,



Robert M. Howard  
of LATHAM & WATKINS LLP