April 6, 2015

Mr. Edward Randolph
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California Public Utilities Commission
505 Van Ness Avenue
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Dear Mr. Randolph:

STATUS ON THE STATEWIDE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON COOLING WATER INTAKE STRUCTURES MEETING AND ANNUAL REPORT

This letter provides information on the status of the Statewide Advisory Committee on Cooling Water Intake Structures (SACCWIS). The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is working with regulated facilities to obtain updated information on current implementation plans and steps toward compliance. As this information is not expected until May 2015, the meeting originally scheduled for March 20, 2015, was postponed so that the requested information may be used to prepare a more substantive SACCWIS report. A new meeting date will be set once the requested information is received.

Pursuant to the Policy on the Use of Coastal and Estuarine Waters for Power Plant Cooling (Policy), the SACCWIS was convened to advise the State Water Board on Policy implementation, in order to ensure that implementation plans and compliance schedules established by the Policy are realistic and will not cause disruption to the state's electrical power supply.

The intent of the annual SACCWIS meeting is to discuss the current status of all facilities complying with the Policy, and whether recommendations for changes to the implementation schedule are necessary. If accepted, the SACCWIS will approve the information in the form of a report (SACCWIS Report) and present the findings to the State Water Board by March 31 of that year. An assessment of current information is required to provide a substantive SACCWIS Report. On February 24, 2015, the State Water Board issued letters to facilities, requesting, by May 2015, updates to their implementation plans and outlining their steps toward compliance.

The following are direct links to the information request letters sent out on February 24, 2015:

1. Alamitos Generating Station: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/ocean/cwa316/powerplants/alamitos/docs/ir_alamitos_2015.pdf

2. Encina Power Station:
   http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/ocean/cwa316/powerplants/encina/docs/ir_encina_2015.pdf

3. Huntington Beach Generating Station:
   http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/ocean/cwa316/powerplants/huntington_beach/docs/ir_hb_2015.pdf

4. Mandalay Generating Station:
   http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/ocean/cwa316/powerplants/mandalay/docs/ir_mb_2015.pdf

5. Pittsburg Power Plant:
   http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/ocean/cwa316/powerplants/pittsburg/docs/ir_pittsburg_2015.pdf

6. Redondo Beach Generating Station:
   http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/ocean/cwa316/powerplants/redondo_beach/docs/ir_rb_2015.pdf

It is beneficial for both the public and the State Water Board to wait until responses are received, so a more current SACCWIS Report can be produced. Therefore, as Chair of the SACCWIS, I authorized the postponement of the SACCWIS meeting to a later date.

Should you have any questions, please contact Maria de la Paz Carpio-Obeso, Ocean Standards Unit chief at (916) 341-5858 or at MarielaPaz.Carpio-Obeso@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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