State of California Office of Administrative Law

In re:

State Water Resources Control Board

NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF REGULATORY

ACTION

Regulatory Action:

Government Code Section 11353

Title 23, California Code of Regulations

OAL File No. 2012-0618-02 S

Adopt sections: 2923

Amend sections: Repeal sections:

This rulemaking adopts section 2923 in Title 23 of the California Code of Regulations to establish a Low-Threat Underground Storage Tank Case Closure Policy. This Policy establishes consistent statewide case closure criteria for a subset of low-threat petroleum Underground Storage Tank (UST) sites. The Policy provides direction to responsible parties, their service providers and regulatory agencies. The low-threat UST Policy seeks to increase UST clean up process efficiency. Additionally, this Policy is designed to preserve limited resource for mitigation of releases posing a greater threat to human and environmental health. By creating case closure criteria for lowthreat USTs and thereby reducing the time and resources spent on these sites this Policy allows resources to be re-directed towards high-risk petroleum UST sites.

OAL approves this regulatory action pursuant to section 11353 of the Government Code.

Date:

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