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Dear Dr. Bernstein,

Please find attached to this e-mail a letter regarding participation in the Bay-Delta Workshop Panels. If you have any difficulty accessing the attachment, please contact me.

Thank you.

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July 6, 2012

Dr. Brock Bernstein
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Via E-mail: Bay-Delta@waterboards.ca.gov

Comprehensive (Phase 2) Review and Update to the Bay-Delta Plan, Request for Participation in Public Workshops

Dr. Bernstein:

Bay Area Clean Water Agencies (BACWA) is requesting that a representative from our organization be included as a panel member on the stakeholder panels for one or more of the three workshops being convened in the process to review and update the Bay-Delta Plan. Workshop 1 will be held on September 5-6, 2012 and will address Ecosystem Changes and the Low Salinity Zone. Workshop 2 will be held September 18-19 and October 1, 2012 (if necessary) and will address Bay-Delta Fishery Resources. Workshop No. 3 will be held October 2-3, 2012 and will address analytical tools for Evaluating Water Supply, Hydrodynamic and Hydropower effect. The purpose of the workshops is to provide information and have discussions regarding the scientific and technical basis for potential changes to the 2006 Bay-Delta Plan. This request is being made in response to the public notice from the State Water Resources Control Board dated June 22, 2012.

BACWA is a Joint Powers Authority made up of cities and special districts that provide wastewater collection and treatment services for almost the entire San Francisco Bay area. BACWA is actively engaged in the San Francisco Bay Nutrient Numeric Endpoints effort being sponsored by the State Water Board and in the San Francisco Bay Regional Monitoring Program. BACWA is also coordinating with the Regional Water Board and SFEI in the development of a nutrient management strategy for the San Francisco Estuary. BACWA is also participating in ongoing studies in Suisun Bay examining the effects of ammonium and other water quality constituents on phytoplankton blooms. BACWA has an active interest in the outcomes from the Bay-Delta process in terms of management actions to address flow and non-flow related factors in the Bay-Delta.

BACWA requests that Dr. Michael S. Connor be included as a panel member on one or more of the three workshops, as appropriate. Dr. Connor will provide valuable scientific and technical input into the process, in particular pertaining to the ongoing work to address ammonium, nutrients and other non-flow related factors in the San Francisco Estuary. Dr. Connor, the current General Manager at East Bay Dischargers Authority and past Executive Director of the San Francisco Estuary Institute has a PhD in Oceanography from the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution and Massachusetts Institute of Technology Joint Program. Dr. Connor's academic credentials, experience in other areas, and his direct knowledge of the Bay-Delta gained as Executive Director will make him a valuable member of the stakeholder panel.

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Please contact BACWA's Executive Director, James Kelly, if you have any questions or need more information pertaining to this request at (925) 451-2017.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ben Horenstein".

Ben Horenstein

Executive Board Chair, BACWA

Cc: BACWA Executive Board