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Chair Marcus, and Members of the Board
State Water Resources Control Board
1001 I Street, 24th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

Subject: WSPA Comments on Proposed Basin Plan Amendment for the San Francisco Regional Water Board Selenium TMDL and Implementation Plan

Dear Chair Marcus, and Members of the Board,

The Western States Petroleum Association (WSPA) is a trade association whose members conduct the majority of the producing, refining, transporting, and marketing of petroleum and petroleum products in the Western United States

WSPA supports State Water Board adoption of the proposed amendment to the water quality control plan for the San Francisco Bay Basin to establish a total maximum daily load (TMDL) and implementation plan for selenium in North San Francisco Bay (Bay).

The TMDL with the associated basin plan amendment is a culmination of work beginning in 2007 to address selenium loading and water quality protection in the Bay. The TMDL development effort involved multiple stakeholders, including Bay Area Non-Governmental Organizations, USGS, EPA IX, and industry in collaboration with the San Francisco Regional Board staff.

The TMDL was peer reviewed and adopted at the San Francisco Regional Water Quality Control Board with the support of EPA IX. Monitoring efforts for selenium have been developed and are being incorporated into the Bay's Regional Monitoring Plan; all with the support of the Bay area's discharger community.

We appreciate your consideration of our adoption request. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kevin Buchan". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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