State Water Resources Control Board

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Dear Ms. Firestone and Ms. Spaletta, and Mr. Jennings:

PETITIONS OF [A-2239(a)] ASOCIACIÓN DE GENTE UNIDA POR EL AGUA (AGUA), FAIRMEAD COMMUNITY AND FRIENDS, AND PLANADA EN ACCION; [A-2239(b)] CALIFORNIA SPORTFISHING PROTECTION ALLIANCE AND CALIFORNIA WATER IMPACT NETWORK; AND, [A-2239(c)] SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT ON BEHALF OF THE SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY AND DELTA WATER QUALITY COALITION, CALIFORNIA FARM BUREAU FEDERATION, SOUTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY WATER QUALITY COALITION, ARVIN-EDISON WATER STORAGE DISTRICT, WHEELER RIDGE-MARICOPA WATER STORAGE DISTRICT, AND SEMITROPIC WATER STORAGE DISTRICT (WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS GENERAL ORDER NO. R5-2012-0116 FOR GROWERS WITHIN THE EASTERN SAN JOAQUIN RIVER WATERSHED THAT ARE MEMBERS OF THE THIRD-PARTY GROUP), CENTRAL VALLEY WATER BOARD: CONSOLIDATION OF COMPLETE PETITIONS (30-DAY RESPONSE) SWRCB/OCC FILES A-2239(a), A-2239(b), and A-2239(c)

Your above-referenced petitions are complete and the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) will begin its review. The petitions will be consolidated for review since they are legally and factually related.¹

The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) and other interested persons may file a written response to the petitions. The State Water Board is particularly interested in receiving detailed responses to the contentions raised by AGUA

regarding antidegradation requirements. Responses are due within 30 days of the date of this letter, addressed to my attention. In addition, all responses must be sent to the Petitioners at the address listed above, and to the Central Valley Water Board. Electronic submissions and copies are strongly encouraged. Copies of the petitions are available at the State Water Board web site at:

The Central Valley Water Board is requested to file the administrative record (copied on both sides) within this 30-day period. The Central Valley Water Board is encouraged to file the administrative record electronically (e.g., on compact disc) if feasible.

**IN ALL FUTURE CORRESPONDENCE, PLEASE REFER TO SWRCB/OCC FILES A- 2239(A)-(C) (CONSOLIDATED) AND SUBMIT COPIES TO PETITIONERS & THE CENTRAL VALLEY WATER BOARD**

Future correspondence regarding this matter will be sent in hard copy only to the addressees of this letter and to those persons whose names and addresses appear on this letter as receiving copies. Interested persons (including those who received this letter via e-mail) will not receive future correspondence unless they either (1) subscribe to the electronic mailing list named “A-2239(a thru c)” on the internet at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email_subscriptions/swrcb_subscribe.shtml to receive future correspondence via e-mail, or (2) request to receive future correspondence in hard copy by writing to Adrianna Crowl at the Office of Chief Counsel at the address in the letterhead above. You should act as soon as possible to ensure you receive all items of future correspondence.

The Petitioners may not file a response to their petition. Additional submissions regarding these petitions will only be allowed upon written request and approval of such requests is at the discretion of the State Water Board.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at (916) 341-5150 or jherink@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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