



## **UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS**

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Mr. John Robertus Executive Officer California Regional Water Quality Control Board 9174 Sky Park Court, Suite 100 San Diego, CA 92123

Dear Mr. Robertus

SUBJECT: PETITION TO POSTPONE CONSIDERATION OF TENTATIVE ORDER NO.

R9-2008-0089

Request the Regional Water Quality Control Board postpone consideration of the following non-consent calendar item from the November 12, 2008 meeting agenda:

16. Master Reclamation Permit with Waste Discharge Requirements for the United States Marine Corps: Discharges of Reclaimed Water for Landscape Irrigation at Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, California. (Tentative Order No. R9-2008-0089) (Robert Pierce)

A delay for this item is necessary to provide staff with additional time to coordinate new permit conditions, specifically discharge limits for Percent Sodium, Total Nitrogen, MBAS and Color, which were not included in previous reviews of the draft permit. We first learned of the new discharge standards yesterday when the final draft of the permit posted to your website.

A delay for this item will not impede our ability to irrigate with reclaimed water at three of the four sites included in the draft permit. Enrollment under Conditional Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements No. 7, approved October 1, 2008, allows us to irrigate with tertiary treated reclaimed water at the Marine Memorial Golf Course, horse pastures and Headquarters area parade grounds until May 20, 2009 or adoption of the draft permit, whichever occurs first.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (760) 725-3561.

Sincerely,

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