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California Construction and
Industrial Materials Association

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Public Comment
Beneficial Uses and Mercury Objectives
Deadline: 2/17/17 12 noon

Jeanine Townsend
Clerk to the Board
State Water Resources Control Board
1001 I Street, 24th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814



Subject: Comment Letter – Beneficial Uses and Mercury Objectives, Request for Extension of Time

Dear Ms. Townsend:

The California Construction and Industrial Materials Association (CalcIMA) is a statewide trade association representing construction and industrial material producers in California. Our members supply the minerals that build our state's infrastructure, including public roads, rail, and water projects; help build our homes, schools and hospitals; assist in growing crops and feeding livestock; and play a key role in manufacturing wallboard, roofing shingles, paint, low energy light bulbs, and battery technology for electric cars and windmills.

The SWRCB has proposed significant changes to law which have potential impacts across the construction and mining industry. They appear to go well beyond the policy for reservoirs staff had outreached to us on and we require additional time to analyze and comment. We appreciate the additional workshop but a regulatory program of this scope and potential impact to private and state projects deserves more time to comment review and analyze.

We fully support the requests made by ACWA, CASQA and others in the necessity of additional time to comment. We are appreciative of the efforts they took to show how it could be accomplished in light of the SWRCB's legal obligations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Adam Harper".

Adam Harper
Director of Policy Analysis
CalcIMA