

(4/13/2010) commentletters - Change "once-through cooling" (OTC) Policy

5/4/10 Board Meeting
Once Through Cooling
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Chairman Charlie R. Hoppin
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Dear Chairman Hoppin,

The Clean Water Act called for the phase-out of OTC almost four decades ago. We appreciate your past efforts to develop a state policy that would protect California's ecosystems from OTC. However, the recent, major changes to the latest draft of the OTC policy meet neither the letter nor the intent of the Clean Water Act to phase out these antiquated, inefficient, environmentally harmful cooling systems.

California has invested significant attention and dollars to restoring and maintaining our marine, coastal and Delta habitats. A protective OTC policy that meets the letter and intent of the law is essential to maintain these ongoing investments in healthy ecosystems. Please reject proposed amendments that move us backwards from this goal.

Sincerely,

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