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Via E-mail c/o Jeanie Townsend, Clerk of the Board (commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov)

Subject: **Strong Support** for the Proposed Low-Threat UST Closure Policy

Honorable Water Board Members:

Robinson Oil Corporation owns and operates 34 Rotten Robbie gasoline stations and convenience stores in the greater San Francisco Bay area of Northern California. We have dealt with numerous state, regional and local agencies on our various sites. Through the years, we have become very knowledgeable on site remediation. We strongly support the proposed Low-Threat UST Closure Policy because it makes good economic and environmental sense.

From the beginning, the issue has always been "how clean is clean." Significant money has been wasted chasing this elusive and unknown goal. This is money that could have been spent more wisely on more pressing environmental problems or on economic growth. The Low Risk Policy is a major step in a more common sense and effective approach to remediation. The environment will continue to be protected, but at a much lower cost.

Please adopt the proposed policy.

Sincerely,



Thomas L. Robinson
President

Cc: CIOMA