STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 2004 - 0054

CONSIDERATION OF AUTHORIZATION TO ALLOCATE \$500,400 FROM THE CLEANUP AND ABATEMENT ACCOUNT (CAA) AND \$590,000 FROM 1978 BOND FUNDS TO THE LAHONTAN REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD (LRWQCB) FOR THE DELTA SLOPE STABILIZATION PROJECT AT LEVIATHAN MINE (MINE)

WHEREAS:

- 1. The Mine is an abandoned sulfur mine on property owned by the State of California;
- 2. Historic mining activities have caused pollution problems, primarily from acid mine drainage (AMD) generated at the site, causing adverse water quality impacts in the Mine watershed;
- 3. Administrative Abatement Orders issued by the United States Environmental Protection Agency require the LRWQCB to expand its current scope of work to include increased site maintenance and pollution abatement/monitoring work at the Mine;
- 4. Since 1987, the CAA has paid for various activities at the Mine to reduce or eliminate pollution;
- 5. In 2000, LRWQCB staff identified an unstable slope composed of unconsolidated mine waste, referred to as the Delta Slope (Slope), in the northwestern area of the mine site;
- 6. The LRWQCB contracted with the California Department of General Services (DGS) for design and construction the Slope stabilization;
- 7. Final construction cost estimates indicate a funding shortfall of \$1,090,400; and
- 8. Additional funding is needed to complete construction and stabilization of the Slope.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Resources Control Board approves an additional \$1,090,400 for the Slope Stabilization Project at Leviathan Mine, \$500,400 of which will come from the Cleanup and Abatement Account and the remaining \$590,000 from the 1978 Bond funds.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Clerk to the Board, does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the State Water Resources Control Board held on August 26, 2004.

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Clerk to the Board