#### STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD BOARD MEETING SESSION – DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY JUNE 3, 2008

#### ITEM 5

#### SUBJECT

CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT ADDITIONAL UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK FUNDING FROM AND EXECUTE A COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, REGION 9 (U.S. EPA)

#### DISCUSSION

The U.S. EPA is offering up to \$650,000 to the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) in additional Underground Storage Tank (UST) funding for Fiscal Year 2008-09. The major activities that these additional funds will support include:

- 1. Participation in triennial evaluations of Certified Unified Public Agencies regarding implementation of the UST program as part of the State agency team;
- 2. Promotion of compliance at non-governmental UST facilities through facility inspections and enforcement actions;
- **3.** Provision of technical support for UST inspectors and members of the regulated community to strengthen program implementation.

## POLICY ISSUE

Should the State Water Board authorize the Executive Director to apply for and accept the UST grant, and any subsequent amendments or fund augmentations, from U.S. EPA?

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

The State Water Board and the California Regional Water Quality Control Boards' staff work associated with or resulting from this action can be accomplished within budgeted resources. An amount not to exceed \$650,000 in Federal UST funds will be made available over the next fiscal year. There is a 25 percent state match requirement that will be funded out of the Unified Program Account.

#### **REGIONAL BOARD IMPACT**

None

## STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the State Water Board adopts the resolution authorizing the Executive Director to apply for and accept the UST grants and any subsequent amendments or fund augmentations, from U.S. EPA.

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#### STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 2008-

## AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT ADDITIONAL UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK FUNDING FROM AND EXECUTE A COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, REGION 9 (U.S. EPA)

## WHEREAS:

- 1. The United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9 (U.S. EPA) is offering the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) up to \$650,000 in additional funding for the Fiscal Year 2008-09 to fund implementation of the Underground Storage Tanks (UST) leak prevention program;
- 2. The Federal funds will supplement other State sources of funding for the State UST Program; and
- 3. These funds will augment the current UST grant.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That the State Water Board:

- 1. Authorizes the Executive Director to apply for and accept the additional UST funds, not to exceed \$650,000 in FY 2008-09; and
- 2. Authorizes the Executive Director to execute a Cooperative Agreement with U.S. EPA, Region 9 that includes the additional 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 June 3, 2008.

Jeanine Townsend Clerk to the Board