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June 16, 2015

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**SUBJECT: AGRICULTURAL WATER USE EXCLUSION - CERTIFICATION**

Dear Jessica Bean:

As per the reporting requirements pertaining to the regulation for urban water conservation adopted by the State Water Resources Control Board on May 5, 2015, urban water suppliers are provided with the option of subtracting water delivered for commercial agriculture from total potable water production provided certain conditions are met. Rancho California Water District (RCWD/District) desires to exercise this option.

To satisfy the conditions of this option, RCWD has included with this letter a certified statement indicating that all water subtracted from total potable water production is being served for commercial agricultural use and meets the definition of Government Code section 51201, subdivision (b). Also included with this letter is a list of each customer that receives potable water from the District for commercial agriculture.

To further satisfy the conditions of this option, RCWD will comply with any additional requirements of agricultural water use exclusion. If you have any questions or concerns, please call me at (951) 296-6942.

Sincerely,

**RANCHO CALIFORNIA WATER DISTRICT**

Justin Haessly  
Sr. Conservation/Water Use Efficiency Analyst


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I hereby certify that **Rancho California Water District** provides potable water to the attached list of customers, and that this water is used exclusively for irrigation of land, including but not limited to greenhouses, for the purpose of producing an agricultural commodity for commercial purposes. I further certify that:

1. I will oversee, review, and take full responsibility for the completeness and accuracy of all data submitted to the State Water Resources Control Board as part of the reporting required pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 865, subdivisions (b)(2) and (e);
2. **Rancho California Water District** will prepare and submit to the Department of Water Resources, no later than February 13, 2016, an Agricultural Water Management Plan that includes a detailed drought management plan describing the actions and measures the supplier will take to manage water demand during drought; and
3. **Rancho California Water District** will impose reductions on water it delivers to its commercial agricultural users, as determined locally appropriate by the supplier taking into consideration its applicable urban water supplier conservation standard (tier) under California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 865; and
4. I have the authority to make the aforesaid certifications on behalf of **Rancho California Water District**

I acknowledge that submitting any information pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 865, subdivision (e)(1)(B) or (C), including this certification, that is found to be materially false by the State Water Resources Control Board is a violation of that section, punishable by civil liability of up to five hundred dollars (\$500) for each day in which the violation occurs. Every day that the error goes uncorrected constitutes a separate violation. Civil liability for the violation is in addition to, and does not supersede or limit, any other remedies, civil or criminal.

Printed Name	<b>Jeff Armstrong</b>
Title <i>(General Manager or equivalent)</i>	<b>Interim General Manager</b>
Signature	
Date	6/16/15

Please print, sign and submit completed form along with a list of each customer that receives potable water deliveries for commercial agriculture use to:

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