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Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region

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RE: Oppose The Proposed Discharge Rate Increase

Dear Board Members:

At the beginning of December your board is due to consider the discharge permit proposal, and this letter is written in strong opposition to this measure. I am a rental property owner in the Sacramento Regional Sanitation District, and this new proposal will have a negative impact on a wide variety of people.

Right now businesses and homeowners are definitely struggling with the state of our economy, and Sacramento has suffered extensively in this lagging economy. Asking businesses and customers to pay this multimillion dollar bill is very detrimental at this time.

I face declining rents and longer periods with no vacancies at all. Along with other businesses in the state, our rental industry is also strained at this time. Therefore, I cannot imagine how I will be able to absorb a significant \$30-\$40 monthly increase (that this proposal represents). All of the operating costs associated with the rental property have increased dramatically, and the market does not justify a rental increase on the property.

Experts have given strong disagreements to this proposal, and there does not appear to be good scientific evidence to warrant its implementation.

Please vote **against** this proposed rate increase when it comes before you.

Sincerely,



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