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San Diego Water Board Attn: Mr. Fisayo Osibodu 2375 Northside Drive, Suite 100 San Diego, CA 92108 SanDiego@waterboards.ca.gov

Re: Support for Tentative Order No. R9-2020-0001

Dear Mr. Osibodu:

The Water Tech Alliance, a network of companies and organizations involved in using and promoting water-related technologies, supports adoption of Tentative Order No. R9-2020-001, granting the City of San Diego an NPDES permit that will allow the City to discharge advanced treated recycled water to Miramar Reservoir.

In response to severe water supply challenges, the City of San Diego has made a major commitment to the Pure Water Program, which will use water purification technology to produce one third of the city's water supply locally by 2035. The first phase of this vital project depends on being able to purify wastewater at the North City Water Reclamation Plant and then transport it to Miramar Reservoir for detention and storage. The water in the reservoir will be withdrawn, blended with imported water, and treated at the Miramar Drinking Water Treatment Plant prior to customer distribution.

We are pleased to support this program and urge your agency to approve the necessary permit. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Cary D. Lowe

President

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