

CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND MARINE

12/14/10 Adoption Hearing Once Through Cooling Deadline: 11/19/10 by 12 noon

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November 19, 2010

Ms. Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the Board State Water Resources Control Board 1001 I Street, 24th Floor Sacramento, Ca 95814

VIA E-Mail: commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov

Dear Ms. Townsend:

Subject: Proposed Amendment to the Statewide Policy on the Use of Coastal and Estuarine Waters for Power Plant Cooling (Policy)

The City of Long Beach, Marine Bureau, is pleased to submit this letter in support of the proposed amendment to the OTC Policy released by the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) on September 29, 2010.

The City of Long Beach, Marine Bureau, supports the Amendment as written because it will meet the goals of the Policy and will be protective of the health of source waters.

We are very concerned about some of the consequences of the Policy: specifically the impact on source waters where the use of OTC has provided circulation and supported a healthy marine environment. However, the Amendment will allow for a phased approach to minimize any deleterious impacts to source waters.

The City of Long Beach, Marine Bureau, urges you to adopt the amendment to the Policy which represents a balanced approach to environmental protection.

Sincerely.

Mark A. Sandoval

Manager of Marinas and Beaches