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## State Water Resources Control Board

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Mr. David Asti  
Manager, Corporate Environmental Policy  
Southern California Edison  
2244 Walnut Grove Avenue  
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Dear Mr. Asti:

### UPDATE ON INSTALLATION OF LARGE ORGANISM EXCLUSION DEVICES FOR PRIMARY OFFSHORE INTAKES AT SAN ONOFRE NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION

The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) appreciates the updates and the compliance schedule provided for the installation of the large organism exclusion devices (LOEDs) for primary offshore intakes at San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station (SONGS).

The Statewide Water Quality Control Policy on the Use of Coastal and Estuarine Waters for Power Plant Cooling (Policy) states in Section 2.C.1, no later than October 1, 2011, the owner or operator of an existing power plant with an offshore intake shall install LOEDs, or install other exclusion devices deemed equivalent by the State Water Board.

The State Water Board understands the challenges faced in designing LOEDs for SONGS to meet the Policy requirement while maintaining safe and reliable plant operation. Based on the information and compliance schedule provided, Southern California Edison (SCE) does not expect installation of LOEDs until April 2014 and requests to extend the current compliance deadline of December 31, 2012.

The State Water Board approves the requested extension to allow SCE time to comply with the LOED installation requirements of the Policy, and will allow an extension until April 30, 2014.

If you should have any questions, please contact Mr. Jonathan Bishop, Chief Deputy Director at (916) 341-5820 ([Jonathan.Bishop@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:Jonathan.Bishop@waterboards.ca.gov)), or Mr. Dominic Gregorio, Manager of our Watersheds, Ocean and Wetlands Section at (916) 341-5488 ([Dominic.Gregorio@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:Dominic.Gregorio@waterboards.ca.gov)).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Thomas Howard".

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Executive Director

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