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cc: BD, DI, DWQ



January 26, 2005

Ms. Debbie Irvin Clerk to the Board State Water Resources Control Board 1001 I Street, 24th Floor Sacramento, CA 95814 Fax: 916 -341-5620

Re: Support for draft General Industrial Storm Water Permit

Dear Ms. Irvin:

The Antelope Valley Chambers of Commerce has over 900 members whose businesses we work to promote and protect.

We support the draft General Industrial Storm Water Permit as proposed because it provides a rational, cost-effective approach for businesses like mine to protect water supplies.

We understand, however, that some have asked for amendments requiring numeric limits for storm water discharges. Such an approach violates state and federal guidelines for storm water management, would be ineffective because of the nature of storm water and would cost businesses thousands of dollars.

Please keep me informed on future developments with this permit.

Sincerely,

Percy "Steve" ) President/CEO

