

## California Council for Environmental and Economic Balance

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The Honorable Edmund G. Brown Governor State of California California State Capitol Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: California WaterFix – SUPPORT

Dear Governor Brown:

On behalf of the California Council for Environmental & Economic Balance (CCEEB), I am pleased to convey our support for the California WaterFix ("WaterFix" or "Project").

As you know, in 1973 Governor Edmund G. "Pat" Brown founded CCEEB to bring together the perspectives of labor, business and public leaders to work together to advance balanced and effective policy solutions to achieve a sound economy and a healthy environment. From its beginning, CCEEB has tackled the toughest environmental problems facing California, including water quality, transportation, energy, air quality, hazardous waste and land use. We are a non-partisan, not for profit organization.

We have had in depth conversations and discussions with our members – business and labor – over the course of the past year regarding the Project. We have grappled with concerns over added costs for the business community, the need to ensure the health and reliability of the Delta, and the need for long-term reliability in water supply across the state. Like many issues that confront CCEEB in the policy realm, we take Governor Pat Brown's interest in balanced policy-making to heart – particularly as it relates to the WaterFix and all of its complexities. Ultimately, the membership agrees that reliability is essential in our state with over 39.5 million residents, ever fluctuating weather patterns, natural events and the need to protect the sixth largest economy in the world and its infrastructure.

In this regard, CCEEB is pleased to join the list of supporters for the WaterFix. If you have any questions regarding our position, please contact CCEEB Water, Chemistry and Waste Project Manager Dawn Koepke at (916) 930-1993 or Jackson Gualco of The Gualco Group, Inc. at (916) 441-1392. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Gerald D. Secundy CCEEB President

cc: Honorable Felicia Marcus, Chair, State Water Resources Control Board

Honorable Grant Davis, Director, Department of Water Resources

Catalina Hayes-Bautista, Deputy Legislative Secretary, Office of the Governor

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