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December 18, 2007

VIA TELEFAX

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Clerk of the Board Environmental Appeals Board 1341 G Street, N.W. Suite 600 Washington, D.C. 20005

RE:

Dry Creek Rancheria Wastewater Treatment Plant

Permit Number: CA 0005241

Appeal Number: NPDES 07-14 & NPDES 07-15

Dear Ms. Durr:

We are in receipt of a motion in the above-captioned matter filed with the Board on December 13, 2007, by the County of Sonoma, in which the movant requests an additional extension of time for the Permittee and the Region to file responses to the petition for review.

EPA is not the moving party, and EPA did not encourage the filing of this motion. EPA is prepared to timely file its response to the County's Petition for Review should this motion not be granted. Nevertheless, EPA does not oppose the proposed extension. We understand and appreciate that the County and the Permittee are engaged in significant settlement discussions that address a comprehensive settlement of an entire range of issues raised by the Permittee's proposed activities on the Rancheria. Allowing that process to continue may be the fastest way to resolve the appeal that is before the Board.

Very truly yours,

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