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## State Water Resources Control Board

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Dear Mr. Abacan:

### CLOSURE DENIAL REVIEW FOR PETROLEUM UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK CASE, MOBIL #18-174, 26996 LA PAZ ROAD, ALISO VIEJO, ORANGE COUNTY

State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) Resolution No. 2012-0062 requires that State Water Board staff review a lead agency's decision when the lead agency has denied a request by a responsible party for an underground storage tank (UST) case closure pursuant to the Low-Threat UST Case Closure Policy (Policy).

The subject case has the following identification numbers:

- State Water Board, GeoTracker No. T0605989759
- San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board (San Diego Water Board), Case No. N/A
- Orange County Health Care Agency (County), Case No. 02UT011

State Water Board staff reviewed the closure request dated October 28, 2015, and the response from the County dated December 22, 2015. After careful consideration of the GeoTracker record, State Water Board staff agrees with the County staff determination that all of the Policy criteria have not been met. Based on information in the above-referenced GeoTracker record, State Water Board staff finds that the subject case does not meet the following Policy criterion:

- **General Criterion e.** – A conceptual site model that assesses the nature, extent, and mobility of the release has been developed.

High levels of tertiary butyl alcohol (TBA) were detected in groundwater beneath the subject site and have likely migrated past the current offsite monitoring wells. Additional downgradient groundwater sampling is necessary to delineate the TBA plume.

Contaminants remaining at the subject site continue to pose a potential threat to human health, safety, and the environment. Criteria for low-threat UST case closure have not been met at this time, therefore closure of the UST case is not appropriate.

If you have any questions, please contact George Lockwood at (916) 341-5752 or [George.Lockwood@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:George.Lockwood@waterboards.ca.gov).

Sincerely,



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