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OFFICE OF WATER

DECISION MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Extension of the California American Iron and Steel Drought-Related Projects

Waiver - Waiver Number 09-DW-0001

FROM: Peter Grevatt, Director

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TO: Lance Reese, Chief

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California State Water Resource Control Board

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is hereby granting an extension of the August 18, 2014, California American Iron and Steel Drought-Related Projects Waiver – 09-DW-0001, pursuant to Public Law 114-53, the "Continuing Appropriation Act, 2016," and previously under PL 113-235, the "Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015" and PL 113-76, the "Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2014." This waiver is for specific types of drought-related projects, as defined in the original approved waiver, that are funded in whole or in part by the California Drinking Water State Revolving Fund.

This action permits the use of non-domestic iron and steel products in such projects funded by the CA DWSRF that would otherwise be prohibited absent this waiver. The original approved waiver (attached) provides details regarding the specific types of projects that can be covered by this waiver. This waiver will remain in place for the time period of October 1, 2015, through December 11, 2015, and will continue in force under any continuing resolutions or statutes that use similar language as Section 424 of the "Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015" or until the CA Drought State of Emergency Proclamation is lifted, whichever occurs sooner.

As with the original approved waiver, the State must report the public water system name and identification number and the type of project to the EPA Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water at DWSRFwaiver@epa.gov for each project covered by this waiver within 10 business

days of assistance agreement award. The State must also report quarterly on the project to the DWSRF Project and Benefits Reporting System. In doing so, the State must include in the project description the project type and note that the project is covered by this waiver.

Attachment

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