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May 18, 2011

California Department of Water Resources
Division of Statewide Integrated Water Management
Water Use and Efficiency Branch
Attn: Manucher Alemi Chief
PO Box 942836
Sacramento, CA 94236

Dear Mr. Alemi

A regional alliance has been formed between and among the cities of Santa Rosa, Rohnert Park, Sonoma, Cotati, Petaluma, Town of Windsor and North Marin, Marin Municipal and Valley of the Moon Water Districts to comply with SBx7-7, the Water Conservation Act of 2009. The regional alliance has been formed pursuant to the Department of Water Resources Methodologies for Calculating Baseline and Compliance Urban Per Capita Water Use because the parties receive water from a common water wholesale supplier, the Sonoma County Water Agency. Data pertaining to the regional alliance can be collected through the individual cities and water districts urban water management plans to be submitted by July 1, 2011.

Should you have any questions regards the regional alliance, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Chris DeGabriele
General Manager
North Marin Water District

Chair, Technical Advisory Committee to the Water Contractors receiving wholesale supply from SCWA

cc: Miles Ferris, City of Santa Rosa
Darrin Jenkins, City of Rohnert Park
Milenka Bates, City of Sonoma
Damien O'Bid, City of Cotati
Pamela Tuft, City of Petaluma
Richard Burtt, Town of Windsor
Krishna Kumar, Valley of the Moon Water District
Paul Helliker, Marin Municipal Water District

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Letter Agreement

Between and Among

Cities of Santa Rosa, Rohnert Park, Sonoma, Cotati, Petaluma, Town of Windsor

And

North Marin Water District, Marin Municipal Water District

and Valley of the Moon Water District

For

Establishing a Regional Alliance to Comply with

SB x7-7 the Water Conservation Act of 2009

Recitals

A. The Water Conservation Act of 2009 (SB x7-7) set a goal of achieving a 20% reduction in statewide urban per capita water use by the year 2020 and requires urban water retailers to set a 2020 urban per capita water use target. SB x7-7 provides that urban water retailers may plan, comply and report on a regional basis, individual basis or both.

B. The Parties to this Letter Agreement (Cities of Santa Rosa, Rohnert Park, Sonoma, Cotati, Petaluma, Town of Windsor and North Marin, Marin Municipal and Valley of the Moon Water Districts) are eligible to form a "Regional Alliance" pursuant to the *Department of Water Resources Methodologies for Calculating Baseline and Compliance Urban Per Capita Water Use* (DWR Methodologies) because the Parties receive water from a common water wholesale water supplier, the Sonoma County Water Agency (Agency). The Parties desire to establish a Regional Alliance for purposes of complying with SB x7-7.

C. The Parties and the Agency are signatories to the Sonoma-Marin Saving Water Partnership Memorandum of Understanding (S-MSWP MOU) that provides for the identification and implementation of regional water conservation programs and tasks as directed by the Water Advisory Committee (WAC). The S-MSWP MOU requires financial and reporting commitments for implementation of water conservation programs.

Agreement for Regional Alliance Target Setting and Reporting

1. Regional Alliance Formation and Target Setting

Pursuant to the DWR Methodologies, the Parties hereby form a Regional Alliance and agree to send a letter to the Department of Water Resources (DWR) prior to July 1, 2011 informing DWR that a Regional Alliance has been formed. The Parties agree that the Regional Alliance Target will be established using Option 1 (as Option 1 is described in the DWR Methodologies) and that each Party will include the Regional Alliance Target in its individual 2010 Urban Water Management Plan.

2. Regional Alliance Review

No later than December 31, 2015, the Parties agree to review and re-analyze the Regional Alliance and Regional Alliance Target as part of the preparation of the 2015 Urban Water Management Plan.

3. Regional Alliance Reporting

The Parties agree to prepare Regional Alliance Reports pursuant to the DWR Methodologies including but not limited to the following information: baseline gross water use and service area population, individual 2015 and 2020 water use targets for each Party and for the Regional Alliance, compliance year gross water use and service area population, and adjustments to gross water use in compliance year. The information will be provided by each Party and reported in the annual S-MSWP report in addition to the information required in the annual report, as outlined in the S-MSWP MOU.

4. Regional Water Supply Planning

The Parties agree to participate in discussions regarding regional water supply planning.

5. Regional Alliance Dissolution

The Parties agree that each Party can withdraw from the Regional Alliance at any time without penalty by giving written notice to all other Parties. If a Party withdraws from the Regional Alliance, the Parties agree that the Regional Target will be recalculated among remaining participating Parties as set forth in the DWR Methodologies and in Section 2 above.

6. Miscellaneous

This Letter Agreement shall be between and among those Parties that have executed this Letter Agreement by May 1, 2011. If all Parties have not executed this Letter Agreement by said date, the Parties who have executed this Letter Agreement by May 1, 2011, agree that the Regional Target will be recalculated among participating Parties as set forth in the DWR Methodologies and in Section 2 above.

7. Letter Agreement Authorization

This Letter Agreement may be signed in counterparts. By signing below, each signatory states that he or she is authorized to sign this Letter Agreement on behalf of the Party for which he or she is signing.

Miles Ferris 4/20/11

Name: Miles Ferris Date

City of Santa Rosa

_____ _____

Name: _____ Date

City of Rohnert Park

_____ _____

Name: _____ Date

City of Sonoma

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Name: _____ Date

City of Cotati

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Name: _____ Date

City of Santa Rosa

_____ 4/13/11

Name: Gabriel A. Gonzalez Date

City of Rohnert Park

Per Rohnert Park City Council Resolution No. 2011-30 adopted on April 12, 2011

_____ _____

Name: _____ Date

City of Sonoma

_____ _____

Name: _____ Date

City of Cotati

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_____ _____

Name: _____ Date

City of Santa Rosa

_____ _____

Name: _____ Date

City of Rohnert Park

4/19/2011

Name: Milenka Bates Date

City of Sonoma

_____ _____

Name: _____ Date

City of Cotati

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Date

Name: _____
City of Santa Rosa

_____ _____
Date

Name: _____
City of Rohnert Park

_____ _____
Date

Name: _____
City of Sonoma

Dianne Thompson 5-17-11
Date

Name: Dianne Thompson
City of Cotati

Pamela Tuft 4-11-11

Name: Pamela Tuft Date

City of Petaluma

Name: _____ Date

Town of Windsor

Name: _____ Date

North Marin Water District

Name: _____ Date

Marin Municipal Water District

Name: _____ Date

Valley of the Moon Water District

_____ _____

Name: _____ Date

City of Petaluma

J. Matthew Mullan 4-12-11

_____ _____

Name: J. Matthew Mullan Date

Town of Windsor

_____ _____

Name: _____ Date

North Marin Water District

_____ _____

Name: _____ Date

Marin Municipal Water District

_____ _____

Name: _____ Date

Valley of the Moon Water District

Name: _____

City of Petaluma

Date

Name: _____

Town of Windsor

Date

Chris DeGabriele

Name: Chris DeGabriele

North Marin Water District

4/26/2011

Date

Name: _____

Marin Municipal Water District

Date

Name: _____

Valley of the Moon Water District

Date

_____ _____
Date

Name: _____

City of Petaluma

_____ _____
Date

Name: _____

Town of Windsor

_____ _____
Date

Name: _____

North Marin Water District

Paul Helliker 5/13/11
Date

Name: Paul Helliker

Marin Municipal Water District

_____ _____
Date

Name: _____

Valley of the Moon Water District

_____ _____

Name: _____ Date

City of Petaluma

_____ _____

Name: _____ Date

Town of Windsor

_____ _____

Name: _____ Date

North Marin Water District

_____ _____

Name: _____ Date

Marin Municipal Water District

Name: KRISHNA KUMAR April 11, 2011

Date

Valley of the Moon Water District

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