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Mr. John Ainsworth Executive Director California Coastal Commission 45 Fremont Street, Suite 2000 San Francisco, CA 94105

Via email: John.Ainsworth@coastal.ca.gov

RE: Application No. 9-19-0918 and Appeal No. A-3-MRA-19-0034 (California American Water Company)

Dear Mr. Ainsworth:

On behalf of the Board of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District, I am writing to encourage the California Coastal Commission to issue a Coastal Development Permit for California American Water Company's proposed desalination facility, as part of the Monterey Peninsula Water Supply Project.

Since 2012, the District has been a supporter of a desalination facility as part of an integrated portfolio of water supply projects. We see the proposed project, or a down-sized version of it, as an important part of that portfolio.

Thank you for your consideration of the District's position.

Sincerely,

The Board of Directors Monterey Peninsula Water Management District