



HUNTINGTON BEACH
Chamber of Commerce

January 2, 2015

The Honorable Cathy Green
President
Orange County Water District
18700 Ward Street
Fountain Valley, CA 92708

RE: Huntington Beach Seawater Desalination Project Water Purchase Agreement

Dear President Green,

The Huntington Beach Chamber of Commerce is a longtime supporter of the Huntington Beach Seawater Desalination Project because the facility will provide a new source of drinking water, tax revenue and jobs for the City of Huntington Beach.

The Chamber also recognizes that the Huntington Beach Desalination Project will benefit the entire county, and consequently the Chamber supports a water purchase agreement between Poseidon Resources and the Orange County Water District, which will ensure the costs and benefits of the project are equitably shared.

For the past eighteen months the District has conducted a thorough due diligence process and the Chamber appreciate the inclusive and transparent deliberations. It is now time to move the project forward so that there is a specific public-private partnership agreement to evaluate. At the District's regularly schedule January 7th Board meeting the Chamber urges the Board to enter into negotiations with Poseidon.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jerry L. Wheeler, Sr.", written in a cursive style.

Jerry L. Wheeler, Sr. IOM
President / CEO
Huntington Beach Chamber of Commerce