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January 9, 2006

Mr. Lester Snow
 Director, Department of Water Resources
 P.O. Box 942836
 Sacramento, CA 94236

RE: South Delta Improvements Program

Dear Mr. Snow,

On behalf of the California Business Roundtable, I am writing today to express our organization's support for the Department of Water Resources' (DWR) South Delta Improvements Program (SDIP), a critical water supply, water quality and environmental project designed to meet California's diverse water needs.

California continues to face the critical challenge of providing its citizens with a safe, reliable and high quality water supply. Given our lack of water supplies, the state must better manage and utilize its existing water resources and infrastructure in order to keep pace with its rapidly rising population and growing economy.

In 2000, the state and federal governments initiated the historic CalFed Bay-Delta Program to manage the Bay-Delta's water resources and eco-system. A unique collaboration of interests supported the plan, including the California Business Roundtable and other business organizations, environmental groups, water agencies, farmers, and state and federal water agencies.

We believe the SDIP is the next step in this long-term planning effort for the Bay-Delta and is a responsible and balanced plan to better utilize and integrate our existing water management infrastructure in the Delta.

Water is the lifeblood of California - critical to our businesses and a thriving economy. It is our responsibility to use this precious resource wisely through all possible best management practices, including water conservation, recycling and storage, to ensure California's water future.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM HAUCK
 President

cc: Honorable Arnold Schwarzenegger
 Mr. Mike Chrisman, California Resources Agency
 Mr. Joe Grindstaff, California Bay-Delta Authority

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