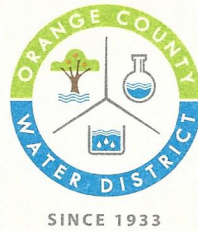


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Dear Sir/Madam:

The Orange County Water District ("District"), a California groundwater management agency, supports Poseidon Resources' (Surfside) LLC application for WIFIA funding for the proposed Huntington Beach Seawater Desalination Project ("Project"). A WIFIA financing award will help reduce the ratepayer cost of the potable water produced by the desalination Project, accelerating the Project development and ultimately provide a new, locally controlled drought-proof supply of drinking water for Southern California. These benefits are consistent with the District's mission to provide a reliable, high quality water supply in a cost-effective and environmentally responsible manner.

Sincerely,

  
Vicente Sarmiento  
President, Board of Directors