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This Calendar Item No. 249
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No. 49 by the State Lands
Commission by a vote of 3
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APPROVE AN OFFSHORE GEOLOGICAL SURVEY PERMIT ON STATE TIDE AND SUBMERGED LAND, POINT LOMA OUTFALL TUNNEL PROJECT, SAN DIEGO COUNTY

APPLICANT:

Warren George Inc. Attn: Lowell V. Babb Foot of Jersey Avenue P. O. Box 413 Jersey City, NJ 07303

AREA, TYPE LAND AND LOCATION:

State tide and submerged lands offshore San Diego County.

LAND USE:

Drill nine core holes using rotary core drilling techniques to a depth of up to 260 feet below the mud line.

TERMS OF ORIGINAL PERMIT:

One year.

PROPOSED PROJECT:

Warren George Inc., proposes to rotary core drill nine core holes in about 10 - 65 meters depth of water offshore San Diego County to obtain geotechnical engineering information for the proposed route of the Point Loma Tunnel Outfall.

Four deepwater core holes will be drilled from a 60 feet by 240 feet floating drill barge held in place by six anchors. The five shallow water core holes will utilize a jackup barge with four legs. The core holes will be drilled using standard diamond core drilling techniques utilizing seawater which will be discharged into the water column. Pipe casing will be set from the drill barge to the seafloor. The drill

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string is then lowered through the casing to the seafloor and rotary drilling continues to the total depth of 260 feet below the mud line. The core holes will be abandoned by cementing the hole from total depth to the ocean floor.

PREREQUISITE CONDITIONS, FEES AND EXPENSES:

Filing fee of \$25 and an approximate expense deposit of \$1,500 have been received.

STATUTORY AND OTHER REFERENCES:

- A. P.R.C.: Div. 6, Section 6212.2.
- B. Cal. Code Regs.: Title 2, Article 2.9.

AB 884:

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OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

1. Pursuant to the Commission's delegation of authority and the State CEQA Guidelines (14 Cal. Code Regs. 15061), the staff has determined that this activity is exempt from the requirements of the CEQA as a categorically exempt project. The project is exempt under Class 6, Information Collection, the collection of data for information purposes where minimal or no disturbance of State lands is involved, 2 Cal. Code Regs. 2905(E)(3).

Authority: P.R.C. 21084 and 14 Cal. Code Regs. 15300, and 2 Cal. Code Regs. 2905.

EXHIBIT:

A. Project Location and Site Map

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

- 1. FIND THAT THE ACTIVITY IS EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CEQA PURSUANT TO 14 CAL. CODE REGS. 15061 AS A CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT PROJECT, CLASS 6, INFORMATION COLLECTION, 2 CAL. CODE REGS. 2905(E)(3).
- 2. AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE TO WARREN GEORGE INC., AN OFFSHORE GEOLOGICAL SURVEY PERMIT FOR ROTARY CORE DRILLING OPERATIONS ON TIDE AND SUBMERGED LANDS OFFSHORE SAN DIEGO COUNTY FOR THE PERIOD AUGUST 1, 1993 THROUGH JULY 31, 1994.

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EXHIBIT A

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