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Mary D. Nichols, Secretary
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Dear Ms. Nichols:

The California Government Code, Section 8543, creates the Bureau of State Audits (bureau). The bureau is responsible for conducting audits that have been requested by the Legislature and approved by the Joint Legislative Audit Committee. Therefore, the bureau will be conducting an audit of the state agencies that fall under the umbrella of the CALFED program.

The California Government Code, sections 8545 and 8546, gives the bureau complete access to all records and property of state agencies; public entities including any city, county, and school or special district; and private entities or persons to the same extent that employees of state agencies and public entities have access to these records. However, we assure you that the bureau respects the legal confidentiality of these records and will not publicly release them when legal restrictions prohibit such release.

The audit will be under the supervision of Joanne Quarles, Audit Principal. We will contact Steve Ritchie of the CALFED program, to arrange an opening conference. If you have any questions during the review, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

MARY P. NOBLE
Acting State Auditor

cc: Steve Ritchie, Acting Executive Director
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