



**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE EL DORADO COUNTY AIR  
QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT (AQMD)**

**RESOLUTION CERTIFYING FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (FEIR)  
PREPARED FOR THE PROPOSED “DST OUTPUT WEST PRINTING CAPACITY  
EXPANSION PROJECT” (PROJECT)**

**WHEREAS**, the Sacramento Federal Nonattainment Area (SFNA), includes part of the El Dorado Air Quality Management District (EDCAQMD), the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District (SMAQMD), parts of the Placer County Air Pollution Control District, the Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District, and the Feather River Air Quality Management District; and

**WHEREAS**, the SFNA exceeds the primary National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) for 8-hour ozone, was designated nonattainment for ozone with a classification of "Serious" and an attainment deadline of June 15, 2013 was established; and

**WHEREAS**, on February 14, 2008, the California Air Resources Board (CARB), on behalf of the SFNA Districts, requested that the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) reclassify the SFNA from a “Serious” to a “Severe” ozone nonattainment classification with an extended attainment deadline of June 15, 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, AQMD Rule 523 – New Source Review, in compliance with California Code of Regulations (CCR) Section 70600(b)(1)(C) applicable to ozone nonattainment areas, requires no net increase in the emissions of ozone precursors from new or modified stationary sources that emit or have the potential to emit 10 tons or greater per year of an ozone precursor; and

**WHEREAS**, DST Output West, LLC, has proposed to add several new printing machines that will result in additional Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) emissions of up to 0.7 tons per year (tpy) to their existing facility at 5220 Robert J. Mathews Pkwy, Eldorado Hills; and

**WHEREAS**, VOC is considered an ozone precursor and the additional VOC emissions generated by the new printing machines have the potential to exceed the DST Output West plant-wide threshold of 10 tpy (5,000 lbs per quarter); and

**WHEREAS**, DST Output West has requested the transfer of 1.4 tons of Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) ERCs purchased from ITX Buildex located in SMAQMD to offset emission increases from the addition of the proposed printers; and

**WHEREAS**, Senate Bill (SB) 1662 allows one stationary source in EDCAQMD, to be determined by EDCAQMD, to offset increases in emissions by purchasing emission reductions credited to any stationary source located in SMAQMD; and

**WHEREAS**, prior to authorizing the transfer of emission credits allowed by SB 1662, EDCAQMD is required to prepare and certify an environmental impact report (EIR) pursuant to Division 13 (commencing with Section 21000) of the Public Resources Code, including an analysis of, and mitigation for, environmental impacts; and

**WHEREAS**, in connection with the foregoing, EDCAQMD as the lead agency caused the preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR), dated October 2009, State Clearinghouse No. 2009082051, to analyze potential environmental impacts arising from the proposed DST Output West Printing Capacity Expansion Project (Project); and

**WHEREAS**, the DEIR concluded that the Project would not result in any significant adverse environmental impact and that no mitigation measures are required; and

**WHEREAS**, the EDCAQMD published notice of the availability of the DEIR to receive public comment from October 1, 2009 to October 30, 2009; and

**WHEREAS**, copies of the DEIR were distributed to those public agencies which have jurisdiction by law with respect to the Project and to other interested persons and agencies, and the comments of such persons and agencies were sought; and

**WHEREAS**, comments were received on the DEIR and responses to said comments, published in a Final EIR (FEIR), do not identify any new, avoidable significant effects; and

**WHEREAS**, the EDCAQMD published a notice of the availability of the FEIR on November 27, 2009; and

**WHEREAS**, a public hearing was held by the EDCAQMD on December 15, 2009 on the Project and the FEIR relating thereto, following notice duly and regularly given as required by law, and all interested persons expressing a desire to comment thereon or objecting thereto having been heard, and said FEIR and all comments and responses thereto having been considered; and

**WHEREAS**, staff of the EDCAQMD maintains the record of the proceedings upon which this decision is based.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Directors of the EDCAQMD certifies that the FEIR has been completed in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act and State CEQA guidelines, that the Board of Directors of the EDCAQMD has reviewed and considered the information contained in the FEIR and that the FEIR reflects their independent judgment; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Directors of the EDCAQMD finds that the FEIR concluded that no significant adverse environmental impacts would be expected from the Project and that no mitigation measures are required; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Directors of the EDCAQMD certifies the FEIR prepared for the Project.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Directors of the EDCAQMD adopts and incorporates herein the Findings of Fact attached hereto as Exhibit A.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Air Quality Management District Board of Directors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting of said Board, held on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_, by the following vote of said Board:

Ayes:

**ATTEST**  
**Suzanne Allen de Sanchez**  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

Noes:

Absent:

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chairperson, AQMD Board of Directors

**I CERTIFY THAT:**  
THE FOREGOING INSTRUMENT IS A CORRECT COPY OF THE ORIGINAL ON FILE IN THIS OFFICE.

**DATE** \_\_\_\_\_

**ATTEST :** Suzanne Allen de Sanchez, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado, State of California.

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

# Exhibit A

## Findings of Fact Environmental Impact Report DST Output West Printing Capacity Expansion Project (SCH # 2009082051)

### Introduction

This EIR was prepared pursuant to SB 1662 Chapter 725 Statutes of 2008 Section 1.

Senate Bill 1662 states:

*Before authorizing any offsetting of emissions pursuant to this section, the El Dorado County Air Quality Management District shall prepare and certify an environmental impact report pursuant to Division 13 (commencing with Section 21000) of the Public Resources Code, including an analysis of, and mitigation for, the environmental impacts.*

No significant environmental impacts were identified in the EIR. No mitigation measures are necessary.

As the lead agency for DST Output West Printing Capacity Expansion Project (SCH # 2009082051), the Board of Directors of El Dorado County Air Quality Management District (EDCAQMD) hereby adopts the following CEQA findings related to the Environmental Impact Report on the DST Output West Printing Capacity Expansion Project (SCH # 2009082051) certified by the Board of Directors of EDCAQMD on December 15, 2009.

### Procedural Background

The EDCAQMD filed a Notice of Preparation (NOP) of a Draft EIR (DEIR) for the DST Output West Printing Capacity Expansion Project (SCH # 2009082051) on August 20, 2009 with the State Clearinghouse (SCH # 2009082051). The 30-day NOP public comment period ended on September 19, 2009. The NOP is in Appendix B of the DEIR.

In accordance with CEQA review requirements; the DEIR was distributed for public and agency review and comment for 30 days, from October 1, 2009 and ending October 30, 2009. The document was made available for public review at EDCAQMD, 2850 Fairlane Court, Building C, Placerville, at the County Libraries in El Dorado Hills, Cameron Park and Placerville and also on the EDCAQMD website.

### General Findings

Certification of Final EIR (FEIR). In accordance with CEQA in adopting these findings, the Board of Directors of EDCAQMD considered the environmental effects as shown in the FEIR prior to approval. These findings represent the independent judgment and analysis of the Board of Directors of EDCAQMD. In the course of responding to comments received during the public review and comment period on the DEIR, there was no need to modify any of the impact analyses in the FEIR.

Evidentiary Basis for Findings. These findings are based upon substantial evidence in the entire record before the Board of Supervisors. The references to the DEIR and FEIR set forth in the findings are for ease of reference and are not intended to provide an exhaustive list of the evidence relied upon for these findings.

Findings Regarding Mitigation Measures. In accordance with CEQA Guidelines sections 15091, 15092 and 15093, the Board of Directors of EDCAQMD finds that the environmental effects of the Project will not be significant and that no mitigation measures are required.

Location and Custodian of Records. Pursuant to PRC §21081.6 and California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 14, §15091, EDCAQMD is custodian of documents and other material that constitute the record of proceedings upon which the Board of Directors of EDCAQMD's decision is based, and such documents and other material are located at 2850 Fairlane Court, Placerville, CA.

Findings Regarding Project Alternatives. CEQA Guidelines §15126.6 requires discussion of a reasonable range of alternatives to a project. However, an EIR need not consider an alternative whose implementation is remote or speculative. In determining the preferred alternative for the CEQA assessment, the Board of Directors of EDCAQMD considered a range of alternatives, as well as a "No Project Alternative". Each of the alternatives considered are discussed in the EIR.

The Board of Directors of EDCAQMD finds that the No Project Alternative does not meet the project objectives of retaining existing jobs, adding productivity within existing plant, enhance efficiency through effective use of existing floor space, achieve a net VOC reduction for El Dorado County and increase profitability and strengthen El Dorado County economy.

The Board of Directors of EDCAQMD finds that Alternative 1, a reduction in emission offsets, does not meet the project objectives. Because DST Output West plant has the potential to operate at, or near the VOC emissions limit set forth by the EDCAQMD, this alternative would allow the facility to increase VOC emissions over the emission limits set forth by the EDCAQMD resulting in a potentially significant impact. The Reduced Number of Emission Offset Credits Alternative would achieve some, but not all, of the applicant's stated project goals/objectives.

Alternative 2 identifies extended operation hours of existing printers as a project alternative. This alternative would consist of increasing the operating time on existing printers to achieve production output equal to what would be achieved with the addition of several new printers. This alternative would also produce an increase in VOC emissions proportionate to the amount of increased printer operational time and would require the transfer of emissions offset credits. The Extended Operation Hours of Existing Printers Alternative would allow the applicant to achieve the stated project goals/objectives.

The comparative analysis in the EIR concluded that Extended Operation Hours of Existing Printers alternative and the Proposed Project are the environmentally superior alternatives because they would both result in a 0.7 tons per year net reduction in VOC generation (a greenhouse gas precursor) in comparison with the No Project alternative and Reduced Number of Emission Offset Credits alternatives.

Findings Regarding Less than Significant Environmental Impacts. The EIR found the following environmental impacts to be less than significant, and therefore do not require mitigation.

- 3.1 Aesthetics
- 3.2 Agriculture Resources
- 3.3 Air Quality
- 3.4 Biological Resources
- 3.5 Cultural Resources
- 3.6 Geology and Soils
- 3.7 Hazards and Hazardous Materials
- 3.8 Hydrology and Water Quality
- 3.9 Land Use and Planning

- 3.10 Mineral Resources
- 3.11 Noise
- 3.12 Population and Housing
- 3.13 Public Services
- 3.14 Recreation
- 3.15 Transportation/Traffic
- 3.16 Utilities and Service Systems
- 3.17 Global Climate Change

Findings Concerning Cumulative Impacts. The Board of Directors of EDCAQMD finds that the project-specific impacts, which are less than significant, would not result in significant adverse cumulative impacts.

Findings Concerning Growth Inducement. The Board of Directors of EDCAQMD finds that the project is not projected to have a substantive effect on the type or rate of future growth within the project area.