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The Honorable William M. Habermehl  
Superintendent of Schools  
Orange County Department of Education  
200 Kalmus Drive  
Costa Mesa, California 92626

Dear Superintendent Habermehl,

As you well know, California faces the tremendous challenge of improving our state's water supply and managing the related environmental issues. Water shortage has been with us throughout our state's history and will continue to shape our future, and conservation has a key role to play in ensuring a safe and abundant water supply for future generations of Californians. It is critically important that we all join in becoming a part of the solution with creative and innovative approaches to conserving water.

Nowhere is that more philosophy more in evidence than in the Orange County public school system. The school districts and students have my thanks and admiration for their leadership in developing ideas for conserving water and ensuring that California will have safe, reliable and clean water today and decades from now. Through their use of the Internet and other innovations, the young people of Orange County are developing ways to keep California green and growing into the future.

I look forward to more creative ideas from the students in Orange County that will help enhance California's water infrastructure and protect our environment and our economy. Judging by what I've seen so far, I have no doubt that they will deliver!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Arnold Schwarzenegger".

Arnold Schwarzenegger

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