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Intelligence In Irrigation

Judy Colvin  
Department of Water Resources  
Office of Water Use Efficiency and Transfers  
901 P Street, Room 313A  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Ms. Colvin:

Kern Turf Supply, Inc. has been in the Turf Irrigation Supply business since 1958 (fifty years). We have always been a strong supporter of efficient and intelligent use of water in turf and landscape applications.

For the past twenty five years we have been actively involved in "ET" based Central Control (using on site weather stations) for both golf and commercial landscape applications. We do have the tools and equipment necessary to accomplish major water savings in California without sacrificing the integrity of our wonderful landscape industry.

We do strongly support the ASIC's response to the draft Model Ordinance. If this ordinance is modified as suggested and passed into law I think we will soon see some amazing results in water conservation.

We would also like to see all C-27 licensed contractors be required to obtain a landscape water auditing certification. Also, I believe all journeyman workers should be certified in the proper installation and maintenance of irrigation and drip systems. This certification should include basic hydraulics, precipitation rates, and proper controller programming for both "grow in" time and maintenance.

If there is anything our company can do either physically or financially, please advise.

Sincerely,

William Zingg  
President/Kern Turf Supply, Inc.