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Dear Mr. Stillwell:

### CONDITIONALLY APPROVED APPLICATION PACKAGE FOR DISCHARGES INTO CARMEL BAY AREA OF SPECIAL BIOLOGICAL SIGNIFICANCE

Thank you for your application package dated December 28, 2007, requesting an exception from the California Ocean Plan (Ocean Plan) waste discharge prohibition for your discharges into the Carmel Bay Area of Special Biological Significance (ASBS). Your application did not include the following information requested of all applicants: (1) the amount of impervious surface area within your jurisdiction, and (2) a quantitative description of marine life near the discharges and at a reference location; while your application did include data sheets regarding percent cover and abundance of marine life at various locations, it was impossible for staff to interpret into a "description" as required in our letter of August 18, 2005.

This letter is to inform you that we have deemed your application conditionally complete if, by July 31, 2008, you provide the impervious surface information in item 1 above, and you either provide the description of marine life in item 2 above or commit to support for and participation in the 2008 Pilot Study for the Stakeholder Regional Monitoring Program underway.

The receipt of your application supports the State Water Resources Control Board's (State Water Board) consideration of an exception to the Ocean Plan for discharges to ASBS. As a responsible party with a conditionally approved application, you will be considered for coverage under an exception.

The exception is likely to include minimizing or eliminating pollutants discharged to the ASBS to maintain natural water quality in the receiving waters. In the meantime, you must continue to plan for and institute best management practices to reduce pollutants and eliminate all dry weather flows. If the exception is granted, the Regional Water

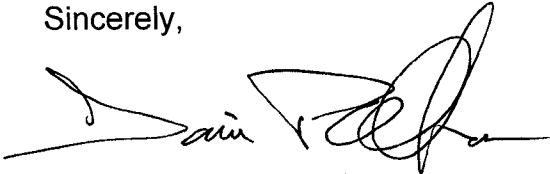
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Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) may allow your nonpoint source and/or storm water discharges to be covered under a Conditional Waiver, Waste Discharge Requirements, and/or a Storm Water National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit with appropriate provisions required in your storm water management plan. In all cases, it is the Regional Water Board which requires the implementation of the mitigation measures to be described in the exception granted by the State Water Board.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (916) 341-5458 ([dpolhemus@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:dpolhemus@waterboards.ca.gov)) or Dominic Gregorio, Senior Environmental Scientist, Ocean Unit, at (916) 341-5488 ([dgregorio@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:dgregorio@waterboards.ca.gov)).

Sincerely,



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