



PEBBLE BEACH
COMPANY

December 17, 2004

Dominic Gregorio, Environmental Scientist
Division of Water Quality
Ocean Standards Unit
State Water Resources Control Board
1001 I Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: PROHIBITION OF WASTE DISCHARGES INTO THE CARMEL BAY
AREA OF SPECIAL BIOLOGICAL SIGNIFICANCE**

Dear Mr. Gregorio:

The Pebble Beach Company ("PBC") is in receipt of the October 18, 2004, letter from Celeste Cantú, Executive Director, State Water Resources Control Board. The letter is intended to inform PBC of the requirement to prohibit waste discharges ("waste" defined as the "total discharge, of whatever origin," to include dry and wet weather storm water runoff) into the Carmel Bay Area of Special Biological Significance (ASBS).

The letter further states that because Pebble Beach Company does not have an exception issued by the State Board for discharges to the ASBS, PBC is required to cease discharging, by an assumed date of December 31, 2004. However, if PBC believes that its discharge will not compromise protection of ocean waters for beneficial uses, with the public interest being served, PBC can request an exception to the prohibition.

By way of this correspondence, the Pebble Beach Company does intend to seek an exception to the discharge prohibition and looks forward to working with the appropriate Commissions and Board to accomplish that goal.

Sincerely,

Mark Stilwell
Executive Vice President & General Counsel

C: Roger W. Briggs, Executive Officer, Central Coast RWQCB
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