CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD LAHONTAN REGION

BOARD ORDER NO. R6V-2004-0022 WDID: 6B141001001

RESCISSION OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS BOARD ORDER NO. 6-94-103 FOR

TECOPA, INCORPORATED WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY

Inyo County	

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Lahontan Region (Regional Board) finds:

1. Discharger and Order History

On Janaury 10, 1980, the Regional Board adopted Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) under Board Order No. 6-80-6 for domestic wastewater facilities (Facilities) located at Tecopa Station (formerly referred to as Tecopa, Incorporated). The Regional Board updated WDRs under Board Order No. 6-94-103 (adopted on October 13, 1994). The current owner of Tecopa Station is the Howard Zellhoefer Trust and for the purposes of the Regional Board Order (Order) will be referred to as the "Discharger."

2. Facilities

The Facilities regulated by WDRs consisted of a sewer system and a disposal pond site, which formerly served two trailer parks (with a total of 65 spaces). The former owner (Howard Zellhoefer) constructed the Facilities and trailer parks in the early 1980s. In 1997, ownership of Tecopa Station was transferred to the Howard Zellhoefer Trust who closed the Facilities and trailer parks. The former trailer parks and Facilities are located in the Amargosa Hydrologic Unit within Section 9, T20N, R7E, SBB&M.

3. Reason for Action

The Discharger is not proposing to discharge waste at Tecopa Station and has requested WDRs be rescinded. It is appropriate to rescind Board Order No. 6-94-103, because there is no longer a discharge of domestic wastewater from the trailer parks. The Facilities and trailer parks are closed. The former disposal ponds have been cleaned and there is no sludge present. Trailer-space sewer connections are plugged and covered with soil. Board staff has inspected the site and confirmed the above conditions. The site no longer poses a threat to water quality.

4. California Environmental Quality Act

This action is being taken by the Regional Board to rescind WDRs issued pursuant to the California Water Code and as such is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code, Section 21000 et seq.) in accordance with Section 15321 (a)(2), Title 14, California Code of Regulations.

5. Notification of Interested Parties

The Regional Board has notified the Discharger and interested agencies and persons of its intent to rescind WDRs for the Facilities. The Regional Board, in a public meeting, heard and considered all comments pertaining to the rescission of these WDRs.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Board Order No. 6-94-103 be rescinded.

I, Harold J. Singer, Executive Officer, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an Order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Lahontan Region, on June 9, 2004.

HAROLD J. SINGER EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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