



Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

November 6, 2024

Mr. Frank Mele
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TERMINATION OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS (WDRs) AND NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCAHRGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) PERMIT – URCHINOMICS USA INC. – CHANNEL ISLANDS URCHIN CO. LLC, 452 LIGHTHOUSE CIRCLE DRIVE, PORT HUENEME (NPDES NO. CA0064696, CI NO. 10626)

Dear Mr. Mele:

On June 6, 2024, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region (Los Angeles Water Board) received your request for the termination of the Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) and National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit for Urchinomics USA Inc. (Discharger), Channel Islands Urchin Co. LLC (Facility) located at 452 Lighthouse Circle Drive, Port Hueneme, CA. The Facility is permitted to discharge a maximum of 1.4 million gallons per day of aquaculture wastewater to the Port Hueneme Harbor under Order Number R4-2022-0162. The Discharger has shut down the operations at the Facility and abandoned the site. The Facility has ceased all industrial operations and dismantled and removed the aquaculture system. Therefore, no more discharges will occur under Order Number R4-2022-0162.

In accordance with administrative procedures, the Los Angeles Water Board at a public hearing held on October 24, 2024, reviewed the tentative termination order, considered all factors in the case, and adopted the enclosed Termination Order R4-2024-0372.

If you have any further questions, please contact Adriana Vallejo at adriana.vallejo@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Bronwyn Kelly, PG, PMP
Supervisor, Industrial Permitting Unit

cc (via email only):

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