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TERMINATION OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS – DOMINGUEZ HILLS OIL FIELDS AND WILMINGTON OIL FIELDS, LOS ANGELES COUNTY, CALIFORNIA (ORDER NO. 98-064, CI-7440, FILE NO. 92-032)

Dear Mr. Javier:

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region (Regional Board), adopted waste discharge requirements (WDRs) contained in Order No. 98-064 on August 3, 1998, for the Estate of Albert Levinson (d.b.a. Brea Canon Oil Company) to regulate the land-treatment of petroleum-hydrocarbon-contaminated soil at the Dominguez Hills Oil Fields in the City of Carson and the Wilmington Oil Fields in the City of Los Angeles. Section 13263 of the California Water Code provides for the Regional Board's periodic review and revision of WDRs. Since no on-going land-treatment under the WDRs is underway and no future land-treatment under the WDRs is expected, Regional Board staff recommends that the WDRs be terminated.

In accordance with administrative procedures, this Regional Board, at a public meeting to be held on **October 7, 2010**, beginning at 9:00 AM., at the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, 700 North Alameda Street, Los Angeles, CA, 90013, will consider the enclosed tentative order and any written comments regarding any or all requirements thereof. It is expected that the Regional Board will take action at the meeting, however as testimony indicates, the Regional Board at its discretion may order further investigation.

Persons wishing to comment upon the tentative order are invited to submit comments in writing to the above address by 10:00 AM, **September 12, 2010**, in order to be evaluated by Regional Board staff and to be included in the Regional Board's agenda folder. Comments received after that date will be provided, ex-agenda, to the Regional Board for their consideration. Timely submittal of written comments is encouraged to ensure that all comments are accurately and fully included in the administrative record, that Regional Board staff is able to provide timely review, and that the Regional Board members have sufficient time to give full consideration to the comments and issues raised. Comments received after the requested date may result in delay in consideration of the tentative order.

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Brea Canon Oil Company

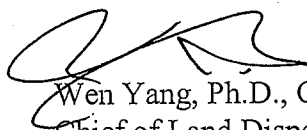
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A copy of the tentative order is attached. An electronic copy of the order is also available at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/board_decisions/tentative_orders/.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please call me at (213) 620-2253 or send me an email at wyang@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



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Chief of Land Disposal Unit

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State of California
CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
LOS ANGELES REGION

ORDER NO. R4-2010-xxxx

TERMINATION OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
FOR DISCHARGES TO LAND/GROUNDWATER

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

1. The Regional Board adopted Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) contained in Order No. 98-064 for the Estate of Albert Levinson, d.b.a. Brea Canon Oil Company, on August 3, 1998, for the land-treatment of petroleum-hydrocarbon-contaminated soil at the Dominguez Hills Oil Fields in the City of Carson and the Wilmington Oil Fields in the City Los Angeles, both in Los Angeles County, California (Sites). In June 2000, 75 acres of land of the Callender Leases in the Dominguez Hills Oil Fields, located at 17810 Central Avenue, Carson, was transferred to K. Hovnanian Companies of Southern California (KHCSC). All the land-treatment units that ever operated under the WDRs were located on those 75 acres.
2. All land-treatment activities under the WDRs were completed prior to 2003. Regional Board staff issued Closure/No Further Action letters for various lots in the Callender Leases, including all areas that had been used for land-treatment, on June 16, 2000, August 24, 2000, April 18, 2003, and January 26, 2004. Those lots have been fully developed since then.
3. In a letter dated April 10, 2009, the Discharger informed Regional Board staff that no further land-treatment of contaminated soil under the WDRs was expected and requested that the WDRs be terminated. In a letter dated April 29, 2010, KHCSC concurred with the Discharger's request.
4. During an inspection conducted on April 15, 2010, Regional Board staff observed no land-treatment activities and no violations of the WDRs at the Sites.
5. The Regional Board finds that WDR Order No. 98-064 is no longer applicable and should be terminated.
6. The Regional Board has notified the Discharger and interested agencies and persons of its intent to consider termination of Order No. 98-064 and has provided them with an opportunity to submit their written views and recommendations. The Regional Board, in a public hearing, heard and considered all comments and testimony pertinent to this matter.

August 12, 2010

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**Termination of Waste Discharge Requirements
Brea Canon Oil Company**

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IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Waste Discharge Requirements contained in Order No. 98-064 be terminated, except for enforcement purposes.

The Executive Officer of this Regional Board is authorized, and is hereby directed, to certify and submit copies of this Order to the Discharger, and to such individuals and governmental agencies that request it.

I, Samuel Unger, Interim 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, Los Angeles Region, on October 7, 2010.

Samuel Unger, P.E.
Interim Executive Officer

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