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INSHORE MICROBIOLOGICAL STATION LOCATION CORRECTION FOR THE JOINT WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PLANT (JWPCP), ORDER NO. R4-2011-0151, NPDES NO. CA0053813, MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM (MRP) NO. 1758

Dear Mr. Gully,

We received your letter dated January 30, 2012, in regards to Inshore Microbiological Station location errors from County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County (LACSD). It was found that the monitoring location descriptions in Table 7 of the MRP for stations RW-IS-IL4, RW-IS-IL5, and RW-IS-IL6 are deeper historical sites along the outer limits of existing kelp beds instead of the 30-foot (9.1 meter) depth contour targeted by the permit. To correct this, the LACSD is requesting that the location of the 30-foot (9.1 meter) stations for those three Inshore Monitoring Stations be changed in Table 7 as follows:

٠	RW-IS-OL4 Bunker Point	N 33 43.513' W 118 21.105'
٠	RW-IS-IL5 Royal Palms	N 33 43.040' W 118 19.799'
٠	RW-IS-IL6 West of Point Fermin	N 33 42.492' W 118 18.509

This letter will serve to approve the requested changes. If you have any questions, please contact Talitha Sweaney at (213) 576-6793, or by email at tsweaney@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Samuel Urger

Samuel Unger, P.E. Executive Officer

Attachment: Copy of letter dated January 30, 2012

Cc: See attached mailing list

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Ms. Veronica Cuevas California Regional Water Quality Control Board Los Angeles Region 320 West 4th Street, Suite 200 Los Angeles, CA 90013

Dear Ms. Cuevas:

Inshore Microbiological Station Location Correction for the Joint Water Pollution Control Plant (JWPCP) Order No. R4-2011-0151, NPDES No. CA0053813 <u>Monitoring and Reporting Program No. 1758</u>

The Joint Outfall System¹ (Sanitation Districts) has recently evaluated the consistency of our historical inshore monitoring station locations with those listed in Table 7 of the Monitoring and Reporting Program (MRP) CI-1758 of the newly approved JWPCP NPDES permit (R4-2011-0151). It was found that the monitoring location descriptions in Table 7 of the MRP for stations RW-IS-IL4, RW-IS-IL5 and RW-IS-IL6 are deeper historical sites along the outer limits of existing kelp beds instead of the 30-foot (9.1-meter) depth contour targeted by the permit. To correct this, the Sanitation Districts are requesting the location of the 30-foot (9.1-meter) stations for those three Inshore Monitoring Stations be changed in Table 7 as follows:

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Despite this adjustment, these and all other samples collected at the inshore monitoring stations have been in compliance with conditions in the permit for sampling near kelp beds. Specifically, Section VI.A.2 of the MRP states: "If a kelp bed is present at any of the six inshore stations, sampling shall be conducted at the outer edge of the kelp bed rather at the 30-foot depth contour."

The Sanitation Districts regret any inconvenience these station location errors may have caused Regional Board staff. If you have any questions, please contact the undersigned at (562) 908-4288, extension 2818.

Very truly yours,

Grace Robinson Chan

Joseph R. Gully Supervising Environmental Scientist Ocean Monitoring and Research Group Technical Services Department

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¹ Ownership and operation of the Joint Outfall System is proportionally shared among the signatory parties to the amended Joint Outfall Agreement effective July 1, 1995. These parties include County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County Nos. 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 15, 16,17, 18, 19, 21, 22, 23, 28, 29, and 34, and South Bay Cities Sanitation District of Los Angeles County.