



Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

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**TERMINATION OF COVERAGE UNDER GENERAL NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE
ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT AND WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS, CEDARS-SINAI
MEDICAL CENTER, 8700 BEVERLY BL., LOS ANGELES, CA (NPDES No. CAG994004, CI-5840)**

Dear Ms. Lee:

In our letter dated July 8, 2016, we informed you that the subject discharge is regulated under Order No. R4-2013-0095, *General National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System and Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges of Groundwater from Construction and Project Dewatering to Surface Waters in Coastal Watersheds of Los Angeles and Ventura Counties*, adopted by this Board on June 6, 2013.

Your letter of November 17, 2017, to Regional Water Board staff requested termination of your coverage under the general NPDES permit, Order No. R4-2013-0095. The letter indicated that the dewatering general permit is no longer necessary because on June 23, 2017, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center obtained an industrial wastewater permit (W-553172) from the City of Los Angeles' Industrial Wastewater Management Division (the City). The groundwater from the three sumps in the main building are now pumped to a 40,000-gallon holding tank where this groundwater is treated by sedimentation, filtration and reverse osmosis before it is utilized in four cooling towers. The reject water after the treatment system is sent to the sanitary sewer system.

On March 8, 2018, Regional Water Board staff inspected and found that the pipelines from groundwater sumps located in the North Professional Towers, South Professional Towers and Cancer Center at 8700 Beverly Blvd. have been disconnected, and that there is no discharge of groundwater from these sumps to the storm drain. Since there is no discharge of groundwater from the site, coverage under Board Order R4-2013-0095, General NPDES Permit No. CAG994004, CI-5840, is hereby terminated, except for enforcement purposes.

Please note that if future discharges of groundwater to surface water or land become necessary, you must file a Report of Waste Discharge with this Board and obtain appropriate Waste Discharge Requirements.

If you have any questions, please contact Carlos D. Santos at 213-620-2093, or email him at csantos@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



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Executive Officer

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