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Winston H. Hickox

Secretary for Environmental

Protection

Mr. Sam Alameddine Chief of Environmental Engineering and Feasibility Studies California Department of Transportation 120 S. Spring Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Mr. Alameddine:

COVERAGE UNDER GENERAL NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM AND WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS – CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, RETAINING WALL PROJECT, ROUTE 1 PACIFIC COAST HIGHWAY, MALIBU, CALIFORNIA (NPDES NO. CAG994001, CI-8302)

We have completed our review of your application for a permit to discharge waste under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES).

Based on the information provided, the proposed discharge of groundwater meets the conditions to be regulated under Order No. 97-045, General National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit and Waste Discharge Requirements for Groundwater Discharges from Construction and Project Dewatering to Surface Waters in Coastal Watersheds of Los Angeles and Ventura Counties, adopted by this Board on May 12, 1997.

Enclosed are your Waste Discharge Requirements, which also serve as your NPDES permit, consisting of Order No. 97-045 and Monitoring and Reporting Program No. CI-8302. Prior to starting discharge, a representative sample of the effluent shall be obtained and analyzed to determine compliance with the discharge limitations. The discharge limits in Part E and Attachment B of Order No. 97-045 are applicable to your discharge. Groundwater discharge from the construction project drains into Pacific Ocean, therefore, the discharge limits in Attachment A of Order No. 97-045 are not applicable to your discharge.

The Monitoring and Reporting Program requires you to implement the monitoring program on the effective date of this permit. All monitoring reports should be sent to the Regional Board, <u>ATTN:</u> Information Technology Unit.

When submitting monitoring or technical reports to the Regional Board per these requirements, please include a reference to "Compliance File No. CI-8302 and NPDES No. CAG994001", which will assure that the reports are directed to the appropriate file and staff. Also, please do not combine other reports with your monitoring reports. Submit each type of report as a separate document.

In order to avoid future annual fees, please submit written notification when the project has been completed and the permit is no longer needed.

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For a list of simple ways to reduce demand and cut your energy costs, see the tips at: http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/news/echallenge.html

We are sending a copy of Order No. 97-045 only to the applicant. For those on the mailing list, please refer to the Board Order sent to you previously. A copy of the Order will be furnished to anyone who requests it.

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If you have any questions, please contact Raul Medina at (213) 620-2160.

Sincerely,

Dennis A. Dickerson Executive Officer

Enclosures

General NPDES No. CAG994001, Order No. 97-045 Fact Sheet Monitoring and Reporting Program No. CI-8302 Appendix A – SWRCB Minimum Levels Priority Pollutants List

cc: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9, Clean Water Act Standards and Permits (WTR-5)

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

NOAA, National Marine Fisheries Service

Department of Interior, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

Mr. Jim Kassel, Division of Water Quality, SWRCB

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California Department of Fish and Game, Region 5

Los Angeles County, DPW, Environmental Programs Division

Los Angeles County, DPW, Flood Control Division

Los Angeles County, Department of Health Services

City of Malibu

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