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Los Angeles Region

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June 19, 2003

Mr. Eric G. Reichard U.S. Geological Survey Los Angles Basin 5735 Kearny Villa Road, Suite "O" San Diego, CA 92123

Certified Mail Return Receipt Requested Claim No. 7000 0520 0024 7127 9129

Dear Mr. Reichard:

REVISION OF COVERAGE UNDER GENERAL NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT AND WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS – U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, LOS ANGELES COASTAL HYDROLOGIC BASIN, LOS ANGELES RIVER WATERSHED, CALIFORNIA (NPDES NO. CAG994002, CI-8338)

On December 19, 2001, the U.S. Geological Survey was provided coverage under the General NPDES Permit No. CAG994002 (Order No. 97-043) adopted by this Board on May 12, 1997, to regulate the discharge of treated groundwater associated with construction, development, and sampling of monitoring wells located within the Los Angeles River Watershed. On February 27, 2002, the Regional Board transmitted to you a revised Monitoring and Reporting Program (MRP) to include monitoring of total dissolved solids, sulfate, chloride, boron, and nitrogen in your discharge.

In a letter dated June 3, 2003, you requested to include the discharge of treated groundwater from Compton-1 and Long Beach-8 monitoring wells to the above-referenced permit.

Regional Board staff have reviewed the information that you have provided with your request. We have revised the MRP to include the treated groundwater discharge from Compton-1 and Long Beach-8 monitoring wells. In addition, we have made other modifications to the MRP, including new due dates for monitoring report submittal. This revised MRP supersedes the MRP previously sent to you on February 27, 2002.

Enclosed is the revised MRP No. CI-8338. You are required to implement the attached revised "Monitoring and Reporting Program" on the effective date of this letter. All monitoring reports should be sent to the Regional Board, <u>ATTN: Information Technology Unit</u>.

When submitting monitoring and technical reports to the Regional Board per these requirements, please include a reference to "Compliance File No. CI-8338 and NPDES No. CAG994002", which will assure that the reports are directed to the appropriate file and staff. Also, please do not combine your discharge monitoring reports with other 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.

California Environmental Protection Agency

The energy challenge facing California is real. Every Californian needs to take immediate action to reduce energy consumption

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

Los Angeles Coastal Hydrologic Basin (Los Angeles River Watershed)

We are sending Board Order No. 97-043 only to the applicant. For those on the mailing list, please refer to the Board Order previously sent to you. A copy of the Order will be furnished to anyone else who requests it.

If you have any questions, please contact Thizar Tintut-Williams at (213) 576-6752.

Sincerely,

Dennis A. Dickerson Executive Officer

Enclosures: Fact Sheet

Monitoring and Reporting Program No. 8338 (revised)
General NPDES Permit No. CAG994002, Order No. 97-043

Appendix I: SWRCB Minimum Levels

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

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

NOAA, National Marine Fisheries Service

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

James Maughan, Division of Water Quality, State Water Resources Control Board Michael Lauffer, Office of the Chief Counsel, State Water Resources Control Board California Department of Health Services, Drinking Water and Field Operations Branch

Los Angeles County Department of Public Works, Flood Control and Drainage

Los Angeles County Department of Environmental Health

City of Commerce, Department of Public Works

City of Huntington Park, Department of Public Works

City of Inglewood, Department of Public Works

City of Long Beach, Department of Public Works

City of Los Angeles, Department of Public Works

City of Montebello, Department of Public Works

City of Pico Rivera, Department of Public Works

City of South Gate. Department of Public Works

Michael T. Land, U.S. Geological Survey

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