



# California Regional Water Quality Control Board Los Angeles Region



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May 24, 2002

Mr. Charlie Plant  
Thums Long Beach Company  
111 West Ocean Boulevard, Suite 800  
Long Beach, CA 90802

CERTIFIED MAIL  
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED  
CLAIM NO. Z 415 467 891

Dear Mr. Plant:

**COVERAGE UNDER GENERAL NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT AND WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS – THUMS LONG BEACH COMPANY, POWER PLANT PROJECT, PIER D STREET, PORT OF LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA (NPDES NO. CAG994001, CI-8408)**

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 specified in 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 General NPDES permit, consisting of Order No. 97-045 and Monitoring and Reporting Program No. CI-8408. The discharge limitations in Part E and Attachment B of Order No. 97-045 are applicable to your discharge. The groundwater discharge from the site drains into the Long Beach Harbor, therefore, the discharge limitations in Attachment A are not applicable to your discharge. Prior to starting discharge, a representative sample of the effluent shall be obtained and analyzed to determine compliance with the discharge limitations.

The Monitoring and Reporting Program requires you to implement the monitoring program on the effective date of coverage under this permit. All monitoring reports should be sent to the Regional Board, ATTN: 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-8408 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.

We are sending Board Order No. 97-045 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 who requests it.

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Thums Long Beach Company  
(Power Plant Project)

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If you have any questions, please contact Dr. James Tang at (213) 576-6696.

Sincerely,

Dennis A. Dickerson  
Executive Officer

Enclosures: Fact Sheet  
Monitoring and Reporting Program No. 8408  
Order No. 97-045, General NPDES Permit No. CAG994001  
Appendix A

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  
Jim Kassel, Division of Water Quality, State Water Resources Control Board  
Michael Lauffer, Office of the Chief Counsel, State Water Resources Control Board  
Department of Fish and Game, Region 5  
Los Angeles County Department of Public Works, Flood Control and Drainage  
Los Angeles County Department of Environmental Health  
City of Long Beach, Department of Public Works  
Port of Long Beach, Department of Planning

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