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Mr. Martin Adams, Director Water Quality Operations Los Angeles Department of Water and Power 111 N. Hope Street, Room 1213 Los Angeles, CA 90012 Certified Mail Return Receipt Requested Claim No. 7002 2410 0005 0647 9724

Dear Mr. Adams:

CONTINUATION OF COVERAGE UNDER GENERAL NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM AND WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS – LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND POWER, ENCINO WATER QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, 4500 ENCINO AVENUE, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA (NPDES NO. CAG674001, CI-8626)

We have completed our review of your Notice of Intent (NOI) and analytical results of representative samples that you submitted in order to continue enrollment under the General NPDES Permit. Discharge of hydrostatic test water at the above-referenced facility is currently regulated under NPDES General Permit No. CAG674001 (Order No. 97-047) adopted by this Board on May 12, 1997.

Based on the attached Fact Sheet and other information provided, we have determined that the wastewater discharge meets the conditions to be regulated under Order No. R4-2004-0109, *General National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System and Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges of Low Threat Hydrostatic Test Water to Surface Waters in Coastal Watersheds of Los Angeles and Ventura Counties*, adopted by this Board on July 1, 2004. Your existing enrollment under NPDES Permit No. CAG674001, Order No. 97-047, which was issued to you on August 20, 2003, is superseded by this new permit that terminated your coverage under Order No. 97-047.

Enclosed are your Waste Discharge Requirements, which also serve as your NPDES permit, consisting of Order No. R4-2004-0109 and Monitoring and Reporting Program No. CI-8626. The discharge limitations in Part E.1. of Order No. R4-2004-0109 are applicable to your discharge. The hydrostatic test water discharge flows into the Los Angeles River between Sepulveda Flood Control Basin and Figueroa Street. Therefore, the discharge limits in Attachment B.7.b of Order No. R4-2004-0109 are applicable to your discharge.

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, <u>ATTN: Information Technology Unit.</u> When submitting monitoring or technical reports to the Regional Board per these requirements, please include a reference to "Compliance File No. CI-8626 and NPDES No. CAG674001", which will assure that the reports are directed to the

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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.

We are sending a copy of Order No. R4-2004-0109 only to the applicant. For those on the mailing list, please refer to the Board Order sent to you previously or download a copy of the Order from our website at http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/rwqcb4/html/permits/general_permits.html.

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

Sincerely,

Jonathan Bishop Executive Officer

Enclosures:

General NPDES No. CAG674001, Order No. R4-2004-0109 Fact Sheet Monitoring and Reporting Program No. CI-8626

cc: Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9, Permit Section (WTR-5) U.S. Army Corps of Engineers U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services, Division of Ecological Services NOAA, National Marine Fisheries Service Michael Lauffer, Office of Chief Counsel, State Water Resources Control Board California Department of Fish and Game, Marine Resources, Region 5 California Department of Health Services, Environmental Branch Los Angeles County, Department of Public Works, Waste Management Division Los Angeles County, Department of Health Services City Manager, City of Los Angeles Lee Solomon, Tetratech Mark Bassett, LADWP

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