

California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region

May 1, 2013

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In reply refer to:
Place ID: 256035: MMata

**Subject: Violation of Order No. R9-2005-0008 and Review of Self-Monitoring Reports
Scripps Institution of Oceanography**

Ms. Hampel:

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (San Diego Water Board) has completed review of the July – December 2012 semiannual report for the subject facility. Please note the following comments and violations on the reports received:

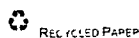
July 2012 - December 2012 Semiannual Report:

- Effluent Violations
 1. The effluent at Outfall No. 3 exceeded the daily maximum limitation of 3 TUc for chronic toxicity (for giant kelp growth) with a value of 4 TUc on July 9, 2012.
- Comments
 2. The report notes that effluent from Outfall 004b exceeded 6-month median limitation for total residual chlorine. The exceedance of residual chlorine is believed to be a false positive due to matrix interference introduced by naturally occurring iodide and bromide. Chlorine is not used in the seawater system and the facility.

Please take steps to ensure that the violation noted above does not occur in the future. Pursuant to the California Water Code (CWC), the violation noted above is subject to additional enforcement action(s) by the San Diego Water Board including issuance of a time schedule order, cease and desist order, cleanup and abatement order, imposition of administrative civil liability, referral to the district attorney for criminal prosecution, or referral to the attorney general. Administrative civil liability amounts that may be imposed by the San Diego Water Board under authority of CWC Section 13350 include up to \$10,000 per day, or up to \$10 per gallon for each gallon of waste discharged.

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In the subject line of any response, please include the information located in the heading of this letter: "In reply refer to." For questions or comments, please contact Michelle Mata by phone at 858-467-2981, or by email mmata@waterboards.ca.gov.

Respectfully,



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