



Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

January 22, 2016

Ms. Lanita Stevens USG Corporation 550 West Adams Street, Dept. 143-040 Chicago, IL 60661-3676

TENTATIVE ORDER – TERMINATION OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR USG CORPORATION, LA MIRADA FACILITY, 14370 GANNET STREET, LA MIRADA, CALIFORNIA (ORDER NO. R4-2002-0026, CI-8379, FILE NO. 2001-164, GLOBAL ID WDR100000613)

Dear Ms. Stevens:

On January 24, 2002, the Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region (Regional Board) adopted Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. R4-2002-0026 (WDRs), and the associated Monitoring and Reporting Program, for USG Corporation (Discharger) for the injection of potassium permanganate (KMnO₄) to remediate volatile organic compounds (VOCs) contaminated groundwater in the shallow aquifer at the USG Corporation, La Mirada facility located at 14370 Gannet Street, La Mirada, California.

On April 15, 2013, the Discharger notified the Regional Board that the injection of KMnO₄ had been completed. The last injection of KMnO₄ was performed in October 2002 and there is no plan to inject KMnO₄ at the site in the future.

In accordance with administrative procedures, this Regional Board, at a public meeting, will consider the enclosed tentative Order, which will terminate WDR Order No. R4-2002-0026. The meeting will be held at 9:00 a.m. on March 10, 2016, at the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, 700 North Alameda Street, Los Angeles, California.

In order to be fully evaluated by Regional Board staff and included in the Board's agenda packet, written comments must be received at the Regional Board office by 5:00 p.m. on February 22, 2016. Failure to comply with these requirements is grounds for the Board to refuse to admit the proposed written comment or exhibit into evidence. Timely submittal of written comments is encouraged to ensure that all comments are accurately and fully included in the administrative record, that Board staff is able to provide a timely review, and that Regional Board Members have sufficient time to give full consideration to the comments and issues raised.

If you have any additional questions, please contact the Project Manager, Mr. David Koo at (213) 620-6155 or me at (213) 576-6683.

Sincerely,

Eric Wu, Ph.D., P.E.

Chief of Groundwater Permitting Unit

Enclosure: Tentative Order No. R4-2016-XXXX, Terminating Waste Discharge Requirements

cc: Mr. Gary Cronk, JAG Consulting Group, Inc.

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ORDER NO. R4-2016-XXXX

TERMINATION OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR DISCHARGES TO LAND/GROUNDWATER (USG Corporation, Former United States Gypsum Company Facility) File No. 2001-164

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region (Regional Board) finds:

- On January 24, 2002, this Regional Board adopted Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. R4-2002-0026 (WDRs) and a Monitoring and Reporting Program (MRP) for USG Corporation (Discharger) for the injection of potassium permanganate (KMnO₄) to remediate volatile organic compounds (VOCs) contaminated groundwater in the shallow aquifer at the USG Corporation, La Mirada facility located at 14370 Gannet Street, La Mirada, California.
- 2. On April 15, 2013, the Discharger notified the Regional Board that the injection of KMnO₄ had been completed. The last injection of KMnO₄ was performed in October 2002 and there is no plan to inject KMnO₄ at the site in the future.
- On August 12, 2013, a Notice of Violation (NOV) was issue to the Discharger for failure to submit the required monitoring reports. On October 11, 2013, JAG Consulting Group submitted a response letter to the NOV on behalf of the Discharger. On October 10, 2013, the Regional Board received all the missing reports.
- The Discharger has been in substantial compliance with the MRP during the term of the WDRs, except for late report submittals.
- 5. Since there is no plan for additional injections to remediate groundwater contamination at the subject site, the Regional Board finds that WDRs Order No. R4-2002-0026 is no longer necessary and shall be terminated, except for purposes of enforcement.
- 6. The termination of WDRs Order No. R4-2002-0026 is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act because the termination of WDRs and the discharge authorized by the WDRs does not have the potential for causing a significant impact on the environmental. See Title 14, Cal. Code Regs. § 15061(b)(3).

The Regional Board has notified the Discharger and interested agencies and persons of its intent to consider termination of WDRs Order No. R4-2002-0026 and associated MRP, and has provided them with an opportunity to submit comments. The Regional Board, in a public hearing, heard and considered all comments and testimony pertinent to the Order.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Order No. R4-2002-0026 is terminated, except for enforcement purposes.

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USG Corporation Former United States Gypsum Company Facility Order No. R4-2016-XXXX

The Executive Officer of this Regional Board is authorized, and is hereby directed, to certify and submit copies of this Order to the Discharger, and to such individuals and governmental agencies that request it.

I, Samuel Unger, Executive Officer, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an Order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region on March 10, 2016.

Samuel Unger, P.E. Executive Officer E N T A T I V