



Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

August 5, 2019

Mr. Ken H. Riesz, Sr. Plant Manager El Segundo Power, LLC. 301 Vista Del Mar El Segundo, CA 90245

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS ON TENTATIVE TERMINATION OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS (WDRs) AND NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (N.P.D.E.S.) PERMIT FOR EL SEGUNDO POWER, LLC – EL SEGUNDO GENERATING STATION (N.P.D.E.S. NUMBER CA0001147, ORDER NUMBER R4-2015-0029, CI NUMBER 4667)

Dear Mr. Riesz:

Reference is made to the WDRs and N.P.D.E.S. permit adopted by this Regional Water Board for the discharge of storm water, once-through cooling water, and low volume wastes (hereafter, wastewater) generated from the El Segundo Generating Station (Facility) and discharged to the Santa Monica Bay via Outfall Number 2. Your letter dated June 19, 2019, requested termination of the N.P.D.E.S. permit because the discharge of wastewater to the outfall had not occurred since March 2019. On July 12, 2019, Regional Water Board staff conducted a site inspection and verified that (1) cooling water intake from Intake Number 2 and storm water and low volume wastes discharges via Outfall Number 2 have ceased and (2) storm water generated from the site has been rerouted to a storm water bioswale and thereafter discharged to a storm drain. Therefore, Order Number R4-2015-0029 should be terminated.

In accordance with administrative procedures, this Regional Water Board, at a public hearing, will consider the enclosed tentative Order, which will terminate Order Number R4-2015-0029. The hearing will be held on October 10, 2019, at 9:00 a.m., in the City of Commerce City Hall, 2535 Commerce Way, Commerce, CA 90040. The Board members will hear any testimony pertinent to this matter. It is expected that the Board will take action at the hearing; however, as testimony indicates, the Board, at its discretion, may order further investigation.

Written comments pertaining to this proposed Board action must be submitted by mail or emailed to <u>losangles@waterboards.ca.gov</u> with a copy to <u>don.tsai@waterboards.ca.gov</u>, and received at the Board's office by 5:00 p.m. on September 4, 2019. Please reference

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Power, LLC., El Segundo Generating Station, CA0001147". Pursuant to section 648.4, title 23 of the California Code of Regulations, untimely submittal of written comments or evidence will not be allowed or accepted into the Administrative Record without a showing of good cause for the delay, and in no event if any party or the Board would be unduly prejudiced by the late submittal including if staff or the Regional Water Board would not have an adequate opportunity to review, consider, and prepare responses to the comments or evidence. Additionally, if the Board receives only supportive comments, the permit may be placed on the Board's consent calendar and approved without oral testimony.

Should any future activities at the subject facility result in discharges of any wastewater to surface waters, you are required to file a Report of Waste Discharge with this Regional Water Board and secure a permit prior to discharge.

If you have any further questions, please contact Don Tsai at (213) 576-6681 or Don.Tsai@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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Cassandra D. Owens, Chief Industrial Permitting Unit

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