



Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

March 29, 2017

Ms. Regina Coronado Compliance Manager Ecology Auto Parts, Inc. 14150 Vine Place Cerritos, CA 90703

Dear Ms. Coronado:

TENTATIVE TERMINATION OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS (WDRs) AND NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) PERMIT – NORWALK INDUSTRIES, L.P. ECOLOGY AUTO PARTS, 13750 AND 13780 E. IMPERIAL HIGHWAY, SANTA FE SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA (NPDES PERMIT NO. CA0056928, CI-6041)

Reference is made to the WDRs and NPDES permit (Order No. R4-2015-0023) adopted by this Regional Water Board for the discharge of industrial storm water from Norwalk Industries, L.P., Ecology Auto Parts, located at 13750 and 13780 E. Imperial Highway, Santa Fe Springs, California. Order No. R4-2015-0023 was adopted on February 12, 2015, and is scheduled to expire on March 31, 2020. Your letter dated November 1, 2016, requested termination of the NPDES permit because as of November 13, 2016, Ecology Auto Parts no longer occupies the auto dismantling site at 13780 E. Imperial Highway. Ecology Auto Parts continues to conduct scrap metal recycling operations at 13750 E. Imperial Highway. The Regional Water Board concluded that the NPDES permit regulating the discharge is no longer needed based on the following:

- As of November 13, 2016, Ecology Auto Parts no longer discharges from the auto dismantling site located at 13780 E. Imperial Highway.
- On October 1, 2015, Ecology Auto Parts was enrolled in Order 2014-0057-DWQ, the General Permit for Storm Water Discharges Associated with Industrial Activity, for the discharge of industrial storm water to North Fork Coyote Creek from the scrap metal recycling operations at 13750 E. Imperial Highway.

In accordance with administrative procedures, this Regional Water Board, at a public hearing, will consider the enclosed tentative Order, which will terminate the requirements in Order No. R4-2015-0023. The hearing will be held on **June 1, 2017,** at 9:00 a.m., at Metropolitan Water District of Southern California Board Room, 700 North Alameda Street, Los Angeles, California. 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 regarding this tentative Order must be received at the Regional Water Board office by the close of business on **May 1, 2017**, in order to be evaluated by Regional Water

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Board staff and included in the Board's agenda folder. Timely submittal of written comments is encouraged to ensure that all comments are accurately and fully included in the administrative record, that Regional Water Board staff is able to provide timely review, and that Board members have sufficient time to give full consideration to the comments and issues raised. The Board chair may exclude from the record written materials received after this date (See California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 648.4.).

Should any future activities at the subject Facility result in new discharges of any wastewater to any surface waters of the United States, 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 questions, please contact Thomas Siebels at (213) 576-6750.

Sincerely,

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Cassandra D. Owens, Chief Industrial Permitting Unit

Enclosure

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