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MODIFICATION OF CONDITIONAL CERTIFICATION FOR THE TOLAND ROAD LANDFILL BIOSOLIDS FACILITY AND ELECTRICAL GENERATION PROJECT (Corps' Project No. 2006-01741-AJS), UNNAMED TRIBUTARY TO O'LEARY CREEK, SANTA CLARA RIVER, UNINCORPORATED AREA BETWEEN SANTA PAULA AND FILLMORE, VENTURA COUNTY (File No. 06-186)

Dear Ms. Hermann:

We are in receipt of your letter of April 29, 2010, requesting modification of your Conditional Section 401 Water Quality Certification for the subject project, issued on June 19, 2007.

Ventura Regional Sanitation District (District) is requesting an amendment to the Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) Water Quality Certification, file No. 06-186 because the District proposes stabilizing an additional section of slope and increasing the impact to Waters of the US from 0.26 to 0.29 acre. The District proposes to provide increased mitigation for the additional impact by adding the mitigation area previously approved for a restoration project of the Nature Conservancy (TNC). TNC currently has an approximately 26-acre restoration project that is located near the landfill site on the Santa Clara River immediately upstream of the City of Santa Paula. The requirement for the mitigation in certificate 06-186 is 4:1. Therefore, a total of 1.16 acres will be added to the TNC 26-acre project.

Certification 06-186 is hereby modified to authorize 0.29 acre of impact and a total mitigation requirement of 1.16 acres at the TNC project. A specific Habitat Mitigation and Monitoring Plan (HMMP) which will detail the site location, planting palette, detailed restoration strategies, performance criteria and monitoring protocols shall be submitted within 60 days of receipt of this modification letter.

I have determined that the proposed modifications do not constitute a significant change in the nature or scope of the activities described for the project in your original application. Therefore, no additional action by this agency pursuant to Section 401 of the Clean Water Act is necessary. This determination is limited to the proposed modifications contained in your notification to this Regional Board dated April 29, 2010 and described herein, and does not eliminate the

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Applicant's responsibility to comply with any other applicable laws, requirements and/or permits.

Should you have questions concerning this Certification action, please contact Dana Cole at (213) 576-5733, Section 401 Program.

Sincerely,

Samuel Unger

Interim Executive Officer

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