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Ms. Milica Kaludjerski, Unit Manager
County of San Diego
5555 Overland Ave., STE 2188
San Diego, CA 92123-1295

In reply refer to:
251653:adai

Dear Ms. Kaludjerski:

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF VIOLATION NO. R9-2009-0170, RANCHO DEL CAMPO

Enclosed is Notice of Violation (NOV) No. R9-2009-0170 for the discharge at the Rancho Del Campo facility. The basis for issuing this NOV was the monitoring data contained in the April-June 2009 quarterly monitoring report documenting that the concentrations of constituents in the effluent had exceeded the discharge specifications of Order No. 87-108.

Please take steps to implement the follow-up actions necessary to ensure that the violations noted do not occur in the future. These violations subject the County of San Diego (County) to possible further enforcement action by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region including administrative enforcement orders requiring the County to cease and desist from violations, or to clean up waste and abate existing or threatened conditions of pollution or nuisance; administrative assessment of civil liability in amounts of up to \$5,000 per day per violation;¹ referral to the State Attorney General for injunctive relief; and referral to the District Attorney for criminal prosecution.

The following comments are being provided for the County's consideration:

1. As Order No. 87-108 is interpreted by the Regional Board, the calculation of the 12-month average should be the arithmetic mean of all individual samples taken during a 12-month period rather than an average of the quarterly averages. This makes a difference when the number of samples varies in each quarterly period.
2. The next monitoring report is the July-September 2009 quarterly monitoring report, which is due by October 30, 2009.

¹ Under authority of California Water Code section 13350.

Ms. Milica Kaludjerski
Rancho del Campo

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In the subject line of any response, please include the requested "in reply refer to:" information located in the heading of this letter. For questions pertaining to the subject matter, please contact Ms. Cathryn Henning at (858)-636-3161 or at chenning@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



Julie Chan P.G.
Supervising Engineering Geologist
Groundwater Basins Branch

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IN THE MATTER OF

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NOTICE OF VIOLATION
NO. R9-2009-0170

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Waste Discharge Requirements: Order No. 87-108
Facility: Rancho Del Campo Water Pollution Control Facility (W.P.C.F.)

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT:

The County of San Diego (County) violated Order No. 87-108, *Waste Discharge Requirements for the County of San Diego, Rancho Del Campo Water Pollution Control Facility, San Diego County*. These violations subject the County to possible further enforcement action by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (Regional Board), including administrative enforcement orders requiring the Society to cease and desist from violations, or to clean up waste and abate existing or threatened conditions of pollution or nuisance; administrative assessment of civil liability in amounts of up to \$5,000 per day per violation;² referral to the State Attorney General for injunctive relief; and referral to the District Attorney for criminal prosecution.

The Regional Board noted the following violations in reviewing the April-June 2009 quarterly monitoring report required by Order No. 87-108:

Summary of Violations

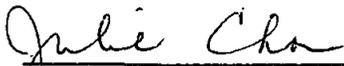
1. There was a violation of Discharge Specification B.1 for the 12-month average effluent concentration of total suspended solids (TSS), established at 30 mg/L. The violation occurred in the April-June 2009 monitoring period with a reported value of 37.3 mg/L.
2. There was a violation of Discharge Specification B.1 for the daily maximum effluent concentration of total suspended solids (TSS), established at 45 mg/L. The violation occurred on May 13, 2009 with a reported value of 62.0 mg/L.
3. There was a violation of Discharge Specification B.1 for the 12-month average effluent concentration of biochemical oxygen demand (BOD), established at 30 mg/L. The violation occurred in the April-June 2009 monitoring period with a reported value of 37.1 mg/L.

² Under authority of California Water Code section 13350.

4. There was 1 violation of Discharge Specification B.1 for the daily maximum effluent concentration of biochemical oxygen demand (BOD), established at 45 mg/L. The violation occurred on May 13, 2009 monitoring period with a reported value of 49.0 mg/L.
5. There were 2 violations of Discharge Specification B.1 for the daily maximum effluent concentration of nitrate (NO_3), established at 110 mg/L. The violations occurred on April 29 and May 13, 2009 with reported values of 140.8 mg/L and 127.6 mg/L, respectively.

Questions pertaining to the issuance of this Notice of Violation are to be directed to Cathryn Henning at (858)-636-3161 via e-mail at chenning@waterboards.ca.gov.
Written correspondence should be directed to the following address:

Ms. Julie Chan
Supervising Engineering Geologist
California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region
9174 Sky Park Court, Suite 100
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Julie Chan, P.G.
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