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September 29, 2010

In reply refer to:
adai: 255386

Mr. Lonnie Thibodeaux
Water Utilities Director
City of Oceanside
300 North Coast Highway
Oceanside, CA 92054

Dear Mr. Thibodeaux:

**SUBJECT: REVIEW OF MONITORING REPORTS FOR SAN LUIS REY
WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT, LAND DISPOSAL OF
WASTEWATER**

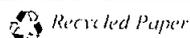
The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (San Diego Water Board) has reviewed the April-July 2010 monthly monitoring reports, the April-June 2010 quarterly monitoring report, and the January-June 2010 semiannual monitoring report submitted by the City of Oceanside (City) in accordance with Monitoring and Reporting Program No. 93-07.

The San Diego Water Board identified the following violations of Section B (Discharge Specifications) of Order No. 93-07 in the reports submitted:

1. The daily average discharge specification for turbidity, established at 2 Nephelometric Turbidity Units (NTU), was exceeded on July 30, 2010 with a reported value of 2.5 NTU. The City reported the exceedance was caused by a malfunctioning sludge centrifuge diverter gate, which has been repaired.
2. The discharge specification for coliform bacteria, established at 23 Most Probable Number (MPN) per 100 millimeters (mL), was exceeded on July 16, 2010 with a reported value of 50 MPN per 100 mL. The City reported that this exceedance was caused by high turbidity levels.

Please be aware these violations subject you to possible further enforcement action by the San Diego Water Board, including administrative enforcement orders requiring the you 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

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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 next monitoring report to be submitted is the August 2010 monthly monitoring report due by September 30, 2010.

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Sincerely,

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Regulatory Measure: 376051
CIWQS Violation: 881738, 881739

¹ Under authority of California Water Code section 13350.