CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD COLORADO RIVER BASIN REGION ORDER NO. 79-43

WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR CARDINAL DISTRIBUTING COMPANY, INC. City of Coachella - Riverside County

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region, finds that:

- Cardinal Distributing Company, Inc. (hereinafter also referred to as the discharger) P. O. Box 96, Coachella, 1. California 92236, submitted a Report of Waste Discharge, dated February 20, 1979.
- 2. The discharger proposes to discharge carrot packing plant washwater into earthen settling basins for recirculation to the plant washing facilities. Approximately 50,000 gallons-per-operating-day of washwater will be discharged from the settling basins and used for irrigation of adjacent farm crop land. There will be no tailwaters flowing to Coachella Valley Stormwater Channel or to other open channels.
- 3. The settling basins and the farm crop land are located in the N 1/2, Section 5, T6S, R8E, SBB&M.
- 4. This packing plant normally operates from November to June.
- 5. The Water Quality Control Plan for the West Colorado River Basin was adopted by the Board on April 10, 1975. The Basin Plan contains water quality objectives for the Coachella Hydrologic Subunit.
- 6. The beneficial uses of the groundwaters of the Coachella Hydrologic Subunit are:
 - a. Municipal supply
 - b. Industrial supply
 - c. Agricultural supply

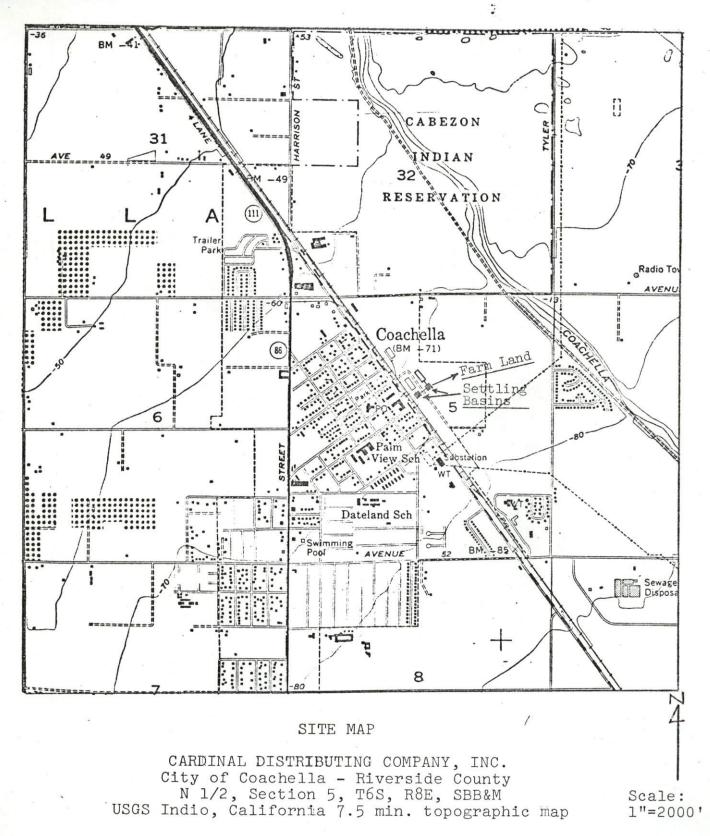
Deep groundwaters at the locations of the proposed waste discharge are used for municipal supply, industrial supply and agricultural supply. Shallow groundwaters are influenced by agricultural operations, are saline, and enter replaced by 85-090 irrigation drains and flow to Salton Sea.

- 7. This wastewater disposal constitutes only a minor modification to land, and is thereby exempt from the provisions of the California Environemntal Quality Act (Public Resources Code, Section 21000 et. seq.) in accordance with Section 15104, Chapter 3, Title 14, California Administrative Code.
- 8. The Board has notified the discharger and interested agencies and persons of its intent to prescribe waste discharge requirements for the discharge.
- The Board in a public meeting heard and considered all 9. comments pertaining to the discharge.
- IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, the discharger shall comply with the following:
- Α. Discharge Specifications
 - 1. Neither the treatment nor the discharge of wastewater shall create a pollution or a nuisance as defined in Division 7 of the California Water Code.
 - 2. The discharge of wastewater to Coachella Valley Stormwater Channel or to any irrigation drain is prohibited.
 - 3. Wastewater shall be contained within the discharge area designated in Finding No. 3 (above).
 - 4. Wastewater discharged to land shall be substantially free of settleable and floatable organic materials.
 - 5. Ponded washwater shall be at least 50 feet from any water supply well.
- Β. Provisions
 - Prior to any material change in the quality or quantity of 1. wastewater discharged, or any material change in the location of discharge, the discharger shall report thereon to the Board.
 - 2. Upon request from this Board's Executive Officer, the discharger shall furnish technical and/or monitoring reports on the discharge of wastes.

I, Arthur Swajian, Executive Officer, do hereby certify the foregoing is a full true, and correct copy of an Order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region, on May 9, 1979

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