## CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD COLORADO RIVER BASIN REGION

## CLEANUP AND ABATEMENT ORDER NO. 86-87 AGAINST

GOLDEN CHEESE COMPANY OF CORONA, also known as Integrated Protein Technology (IPT) GOLDEN WEST FERTILIZER COMPANY OF MISSION VIEJO GERALDINE IBANEZ

TORRES MARTINEZ BAND OF MISSION INDIANS Riverside County- California

The Executive Officer of the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region finds that:

- 1. The Regional Board staff received a complaint from members of the public, Highway Patrol and public agencies that several trucks with tankers were discharging wastewater to a parcel of land located on the Torres Martinez Indian Reservation (approximate location SE½ of SE½ of Section 18, T8S, R9E, SBB&M)
- 2. On October 3, 1986, the Regional Board staff attempted to conduct an inspection of the discharge area. However, access to the area was denied by personnel at the site.
- 3. After numerous telephone conversations with various parties, it was determined that the source of the said wastewater is Golden Cheese Company of Corona. The wastewater is transported to and discharged at the above location by Golden West Fertilizer Company.
- 4. On October 11, 1986, the Regional Board staff conducted an inspection of the above discharge area accompained by Mr. Ray Lewis (Consulting Engineer) and Mr. Gordon Cooper, President, Golden West Fertilizer Company. The following information was obtained during the inspection:
  - a) Ms. Geraldine Ibanez is the alleged owner of the land on which wastewater is being discharged.
  - b) Ms. Ibanez is a member of the Torres Martinez Band of Mission Indians.
  - c) Golden West Fertilizer Company has leased the said parcel of land from Ms. Ibanez for a period of one year to conduct wastewater discharge operations.
  - d) The quality of wastewater that is being discharged is in excess of 100,000 gallons-per-day, and has the following water quality characteristics\*:

BOD= 7230 mg/l
Suspended Solids= 600 mg/l
SO4= 400 mg/l
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen= 240 mg/l
P= 300 mg/l
Calcium= 150 mg/l
Magnesium= 1 40 mg/l

Provided by Mr. Ray Lewis and Gordon Cooper on October 11, 1986

- e) That the discharge of the wastewater would continue for at least a one year period.
- 5. The Water Quality Control Plan for the Colorado River Basin Region of California was adopted by the Board on November 14, 1984.
- 6. The discharger did not request or receive waste discharge requirements from the Regional Board for this discharge.
- The beneficial uses of the Salton Sea as set forth in the above Plan are for Recreation I and II and Warm Water aquatic habitat purposes.
- 8. No protective works are provided to prevent the escape of the discharged wastewater to Salton Sea.
- 9. Entrance of these wastewaters into Salton Sea could adversely impact its beneficial water uses.
- 10. This enforcement action is exempt from provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with Sections 15307 and 15321, Chapter 3, Division 6, Title 14, of the California Administrative Code.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that pursuant to Section 13304 of Division 7 of the California Water Code, Golden Cheese Company of Corona and/or IPT, Golden West Fertlizer Company, Geraldine Ibanez, and Torres Martinez Band of Mission Indians jointly and/or severally shall:

- 1. Within five (5) hours of the receipt of this Order, cease the discharge operation, and report the same to the Office of the Regional Board, phone (619) 346-7491; and include in this report the proposed location for redischarge of this wastewater.
- By not later than November 14, 1986, complete cleanup of the present discharge area, and report same to the Office of the Regional Board.

ORDERED BY:

Executive Office

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