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

## CLEANUP AND ABATEMENT ORDER NO. 87-118 AGAINST CITY OF INDIO Indio, Riverside County

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

- 1. The City of Indio (hereinafter referred to as the discharger), 100 Civic Center Drive, Indio, California 92201, is the owner of the Indio Municipal Golf Course, located at 83-040 Avenue 42, Indio, California.
- 2. An Underground Storage Tank Unauthorized Release Report, received in this office on June 9, 1986, indicated that gasoline has leaked from the underground storage tank located at the Municipal Golf Course and contaminated the soil.
- 3. By letter dated June 12, 1986, the discharger was requested to conduct a complete subsurface investigation of the contamination and submit a technical report containing the results to this office.
- 4. On August 29, 1986 a preliminary technical report was received in this office. The report indicated that the ground water is contaminated with gasoline, but the report did not contain the delineation of the full extent of the contamination as requested in said letter of June 12, 1986.
- 5. The discharger was requested, to complete the subsurface investigation and determine the full extent of the contamination, by letter dated February 2, 1987.
- 6. On April 21, 1987 a technical report containing the results of the onsite subsurface investigation was received in this office. The report indicated that the contamination has migrated off-site and that additional work is required to complete the investigation.
- 7. On October 29, 1987 the completed technical report was received in this office. The report showed the boundaries of the contaminant plume indicating extensive contamination in the soil and ground waters.
- 8. Section 13304 of the California Water Code states, in part, that: "Any person . . . who has caused or permitted . . . any waste to be discharged or deposited where it is, or probably will be, discharged into the waters of the state and creates, or threatens to create, a condition of pollution or nuisance, shall upon order of the regional board clean up such waste or abate the effects thereof or, in the case of threatened pollution or nuisance, take other necessary remedial action."

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- 9. The discharger has caused, or permitted, the discharge of waste into the waters of the State, and created a condition of pollution.
- 10. The Water Quality Control Plan for the Colorado River Basin Region identifies the beneficial uses of the ground waters in the Coachella Hydrologic Subunit as:
  - a. Municipal
  - b. Industrial
  - c. Agricultural
- 11. Contamination of ground water with gasoline will significantly impair the beneficial uses of the ground water.
- 12. This enforcement action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to Section 15321, Chapter 3, Title 14 of the California Administrative Code.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that pursuant to Section 13304 of Division 7 of the California Water Code, the discharger shall comply with the following:

- 1. Clean up or abate the effects of the discharge of gasoline from the underground storage tank at 83-040 Avenue 42, Indio, California.
- 2. By February 15, 1988 submit to the Regional Board's office a cleanup proposal for recovery of the free product in the ground water and extraction of the contaminated ground water.

ORDERED BY: Ull

Executive Officer

December 18, 1987