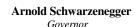




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January 29, 2004

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Mr. Steve Scholtes, Chief Engineer Topa Management Company 1800 Ave of The Stars Los Angeles, CA 90067 CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED
CLAIM NO. 7002 2030 0006 2095 2019

CONTINUATION OF COVERAGE UNDER GENERAL NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT AND WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS – TOPA MANGEMENT COMPANY, 1800 AVENUE OF THE STARS, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA (NPDES NO. CAG994004, CI-5853)

Dear Mr. Scholtes:

We have completed our review of your Notice of Intent (NOI) and analytical results of representative groundwater samples submitted in order to continue enrollment under the General NPDES Permit. Discharge of groundwater generated from the above-referenced facility is currently regulated under NPDES General Permit No. CAG994001(Order No. 97-045), adopted by this Board on May 12, 1977.

Based on the attached Fact Sheet and other information provided, we have determined that the groundwater discharge meets the conditions to be regulated under Order No. R4-2003-0111, General National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit and Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges of Groundwater From Construction and Project Dewatering to Surface Waters in Coastal Watersheds of Los Angeles and Ventura Counties, adopted by this Board on August 7, 2003. Your existing enrollment under NPDES Permit No. CAG994001, Order No. 97-045 is superseded by this new permit that terminated your coverage under Order No. 97-045.

Enclosed are your Waste Discharge Requirements, which also serve as your General NPDES permit, consisting of Order No. R4-2003-0111 and Monitoring and Reporting Program No. CI-5853. The discharge limitations in Part E.1.a. of Order No. R4-2003-0111 for the specific constituents listed on the table with the enclosed Fact Sheet are applicable to your discharge. The groundwater discharge flows into Ballona Creek; therefore, the discharge limitations listed in Attachment B are not applicable to your discharge.

The Monitoring and Reporting Program requires you to implement the monitoring program on the effective date of coverage under this permit. All monitoring reports should be sent to the Regional Board, <u>ATTN: Information Technology Unit</u>. When submitting monitoring or technical reports to the Regional Board per these requirements, please include a reference to "Compliance File No. CI-5853 and NPDES No. CAG994004", which will assure that the reports are directed to the appropriate file and staff. Also, please do not combine other reports with your monitoring reports. Submit each type of report as a separate document.

California Environmental Protection Agency

Mr. Steve Scholtes Topa Management Company (1800 Avenue of The Stars)

In order to avoid future annual fees, please submit written notification when the project has been completed and the permit is no longer needed.

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We are sending Board Order No. R4-2003-0111 only to the applicant. For those on the mailing list, please refer to the Board Order sent to you previously or download a copy of the Order from our website at: http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/~rwqcb4/html/permits/general\_permits.html.

If you have any questions, please contact Dr. James Tang at (213) 576-6696.

Sincerely,

Dennis A. Dickerson **Executive Officer** 

## **Enclosures**

Fact Sheet Monitoring and Reporting Program No. CI-5853 Order No. R4-2003-0111, General NPDES Permit No. 994004

Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9, Clean Water Act Standards and cc: Permits Office (WTR-5)

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

NOAA, National Marine Fisheries Service

Department of Interior, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

Michael Lauffer, Office of the Chief Counsel, State Water Resources Control Board

Department of Fish and Game, Region 5

Los Angeles County Department of Public Works, Flood Control and Drainage Los Angeles County Department of Public Works, Environmental program Division City of Los Angeles, Department of Public Works, Stormwater Management Division

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