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May 25, 2004

Mr. James A. Noyes County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works 900 South Fremont Avenue Alhambra, CA 91803-1331 Certified Mail Return Receipt Requested Claim No. 7002 2410 0005 0647 9922

Dear Mr. Noyes:

CONTINUATION OF COVERAGE UNDER GENERAL NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM AND WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS – LOS ANGELES COUNTY, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, DOMINGUEZ GAP BARRIER PROJECT, DOMINGUEZ GAP BARRIER, LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA (NPDES NO. CAG994005, CI– 6089)

We have completed our review of your Notice of Intent (NOI) and analytical results of representative groundwater samples in order to continue enrollment under the General NPDES Permit. Discharge of groundwater generated from injection and extraction wells 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, 1997. Regional Board staff made other modifications to the Monitoring and Reporting Program, including listing of specific wells to be monitored for the constituents listed in Attachment A of the Order No. R4-2003-0108, and added separate tables for extraction and injection wells monitoring schedules.

Based on the information provided, we have determined that discharge of groundwater meets the conditions to be regulated under Order No. R4-2003-0108, *General National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System and Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges of Groundwater from Potable Water Supply Wells 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existing enrollment under NPDES Permit No. CAG994001, Order No. 97-045, which was issued to you on August 5, 2002, is superseded by this new permit that terminated your coverage under Order No. 97-045.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 NPDES permit, consisting of Order No. R4-2003-0108 and Monitoring and Reporting Program No. CI-6089. The discharge limitations in Part E of Order No. R4-2003-0108 for the specific constituents listed on the table with the enclosed Fact Sheet are applicable to your discharge. The groundwater discharge flows into Los Angeles Inner Harbor, Dominguez Channel, and Los Angeles River (below Willow Street). Therefore, the discharge limits in Attachment B of Order No. R4-2003-0108 are not applicable to your discharge.

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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-6089 and NPDES No. CAG994005", 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.

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

We are sending a copy of Order No. R4-2003-0108 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 Vilma Correa at (213) 576-6794.

Sincerely,

Dennis A. Dickerson Executive Officer

Enclosures:

General NPDES No. CAG994005, Order No. R4-2003-0108 Fact Sheet Monitoring and Reporting Program No. CI-6089

cc: Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9, Permit Section (WTR-5) U.S. Army Corps of Engineers U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services, Division of Ecological Services NOAA, National Marine Fisheries Service Michael Lauffer, Office of Chief Counsel, State Water Resources Control Board California Department of Fish and Game, Marine Resources, Region 5 California Department of Health Services, Environmental Branch Los Angeles County, Department of Public Works, Environmental Program Division Los Angeles County, Department of Public Works, Flood Control Division Los Angeles County, Department of Health Services Gary Hildebrand, Los Angeles County, Department of Public Works Dr. Youn Sim, Los Angeles County, Department of Public Works

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