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August 6, 2009

Mr. Daniel Guillory, Manager Metropolitan Water District of Southern California RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED P.O. Box 54153 Los Angeles, CA 90054-0153

CERTIFIED MAIL CLAIM NO. 7002 0860 0006 4858 9036

CONTINUATION OF COVERAGE UNDER GENERAL NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE **ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT** AND WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS-METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA-RIO HONDO POWER PLANT, 9840 MILLER STREET, SOUTH GATE, CALIFORNIA (NPDES NO. CAG994003, CI-6742)

Dear Mr. Guillory:

We have completed our review of your Notice of Intent (NOI) Form dated June 2, 2009, and the analytical results of representative non-contact cooling water samples submitted in order to continue enrollment under the General National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit. Discharge of cooling water from the above-referenced facility is currently regulated under General NPDES Permit No. CAG994003 (Order No. R4-2004-0058) adopted by this Board on April 1, 2004.

Based on the attached Fact Sheet and other information provided, we have determined that the non-contact cooling water discharge meets the conditions to be regulated under Order No. R4-2009-0047, Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges of Nonprocess Wastewater to Surface Waters in Coastal Watersheds of Los Angeles and Ventura Counties, adopted by this Board on April 2, 2009. Your existing enrollment under Order No. R4-2004-0058, is superseded by this new permit.

Enclosed are your Waste Discharge Requirements, which also serve as your NPDES permit, consisting of Order No. R4-2009-0047 and Monitoring and Reporting Program No. CI-6742. The discharge limitations in Part V. A. Table 1 of Order No. R4-2009-0047 for the specific constituents listed on the Table with the enclosed Fact Sheet are applicable to your discharge. The discharge drains into the the Los Angeles River between Figueroa Street and Los Angeles River Estuary (Willow Street), therefore the discharge limitations in Attachment B.7.d. are 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, ATTN: Information Technology Unit. When submitting monitoring or technical reports to the Regional Board per these requirements, please include a reference to "Compliance File No. CI-6742 and NPDES No. CAG994003", which will assure that the reports are directed to the

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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 request for termination of your enrollment under the general permit in a separate letter, when your project has been completed and the permit is no longer needed. Beware that the annual fee covers the fiscal year billing period beginning July 1 and ending June 30, the following year. You will pay full annual fee if your request for termination is made after the beginning of new fiscal year beginning July 1.

We are sending Board Order No. R4-2009-0047 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.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/board decisions/adopted orders/.

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

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

Fact Sheet

Monitoring and Reporting Program No. CI-6742

Order No. R4-2009-0047, General NPDES Permit No. CAG994003

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

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

NOAA, National Marine Fisheries Service

Philip Isorena, State Water Resource Control Board, NPDES Unit

Stephanie Trotter, State Water Resource Control Board

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

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

City of South Gate, Department of Public Works

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