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September 6, 2001

Ms. Carey Cooper Douglas Emmett & Company 11766 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 1650 Los Angeles, CA 90025

Dear Ms. Cooper:

COVERAGE UNDER GENERAL NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT AND WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS – DOUGLAS EMMETT & COMPANY, WILSHIRE LANDMARK II BUILDING, 11766 WILSHIRE BOULELARD, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA (NPDES NO. CAG994002, CI-6837)

Discharge of groundwater from the Wilshire Landmark II Building is currently regulated under NPDES General Permit No. CAG994001 (Order No. 97-045) adopted by this Board on May 12, 1997. In December 2000, tetrachloroethene (PCE) was detected in groundwater samples above maximum contaminant level. Accordingly, a granulated activated carbon (GAC) treatment system has been installed and operated at site since February 2001 to remove PCE.

The discharger, Douglas Emmett & Company, completed a Report of Waste Discharge for new waste discharge requirements to replace the current permit Order No. 97-045, which is no longer appropriate for the site. We have reviewed your NPDES permit application and determined that your discharge should be regulated under NPDES Permit No. CAG994002, Order No. 97-043, *General National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit and Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges of Treated groundwater from Construction and Project Dewatering to Surface Waters in Coastal Watersheds of Los Angeles and Ventura Counties, adopted by this Board on May 12, 1997. The existing NPDES Permit No. CAG994001 (Order No. 97-045) which was issued to you on June 30, 1997, is superseded by this new permit, and your coverage under Order No. 97-045 will be terminated in a separate letter.*

Enclosed are your Waste Discharge Requirements, which also serve as your General NPDES permit, consisting of Order No. 97-043 and Monitoring and Reporting Program No. CI-6837. The discharge limitations in Part E of Order No. 97-043 are applicable to your discharge. The discharge limitations in Attachment A is not applicable to your discharge. Prior to discharge, a representative sample of the effluent shall be obtained and analyzed to determine compliance with the discharge limitations.

The Monitoring and Reporting Program requires you to implement the monitoring program on the effective date of coverage under Order No. 97-043. Your Monitoring and Reporting Program No. CI-6837 remains the same. All monitoring reports should be sent to the Regional Board, <u>ATTN:</u> 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-6837 and NPDES No. CAG994001", which

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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.

We are sending Board Order No. 97-043 only to the applicant. For those on the mailing list, please refer to the Board Order previously sent to you. A copy of the Order will be furnished to anyone who requests it.

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. 6837 Order No. 97-043, General NPDES Permit No. CAG994002 Appendix A
- cc: Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9, Clean Water Act Standards and Permits Office (WTR-5)
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