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November 13, 2002

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Secretary for

Environmental

Protection

Mr. Randy Johnson Playa Capital Company, LLC 12555 W. Jefferson Boulevard, Suite 300 Los Angeles, CA 90066 CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED
CLAIM NO. 7000 0520 0024 7219 8825

Dear Mr. Johnson:

COVERAGE UNDER GENERAL NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT AND WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS – PLAYA CAPITAL COMPANY, LLC, PLAYA VISTA PHASE 1 DEVELOPMENT, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA (NPDES NO. CAG914001, CI-6839)

Discharge of treated groundwater generated from groundwater cleanup of petroleum fuel pollution from the above-referenced facility is currently regulated under NPDES General Permit No. CAG834001 (Order No. 97-046) adopted by this Board on May 12, 1997.

On October 4, 2002, you submitted a completed Notice of Intent (NOI) form and analytical results of representative groundwater samples to continue enrollment under the General NPDES Permit. We have completed our review of your application. Since chlorinated solvent type hydrocarbons and 1,4-Dioxane were present in the groundwater samples, we have determined that your discharge should be regulated under NPDES Permit No. CAG914001, Order No. R4-2002-0107, Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges of Treated Groundwater from Investigation and/or Cleanup of Volatile Organic Compounds Contaminated-sites to Surface Waters in the Coastal Watersheds of Los Angeles and Ventura Counties (General NPDES Permit No. CAG914001), adopted by this Board on May 23, 2002. The existing NPDES Permit No. CAG834001 (Order No. 97-046) which was issued to you on June 30, 1997, is superseded by this new permit, and your coverage under Order No. 97-046 will be terminated in a separate letter.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. R4-2002-0107 and revised Monitoring and Reporting Program No. Cl-683. The discharge limitations in Part F of Order No. R4-2002-0107 are applicable to your discharge. Discharge from the project drains to Ballona Creek, therefore the discharge limitations in Attachment B are 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.

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The Monitoring and Reporting Program requires you to implement the monitoring program on the effective date of coverage under Order No. R4-2002-0107. All monitoring reports should be sent to the Regional Board, <u>ATTN: Information Technology Unit.</u>

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When submitting monitoring or technical reports to the Regional Board per these requirements, please include a reference to "Compliance File No. CI-6839 and NPDES No. CAG914001", which will assure that the reports are directed to the appropriate file and staff. Also, please do not combine your discharge monitoring reports with other 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 Board Order No. R4-2002-0107 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. 6839

Order No. R4-2002-0107, General NPDES Permit No. CAG914001

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

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

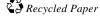
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Los Angeles County, Department of Public Works, Flood Control and Drainage Los Angeles County, Department of Environmental Programs Division

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