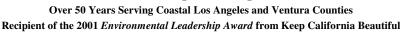
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October 20, 2003

Winston H. Hickox

Secretary for

Environmental

Protection

Mr. Brent Martin Miotel Corporation 8555 Beverly Boulevard Los Angeles, CA 90048 CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED
CLAIM NO. 7001 2510 0003 6055 5039

Dear Mr. Martin:

COVERAGE UNDER GENERAL NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT AND REVISED WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS – MA MAISON HOTEL SOFITEL, 8555 BEVERLY BOULEVARD, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA (NPDES NO. CAG994004, CI-6847)

Discharge of treated groundwater generated from cleanup of volatile compounds impacted groundwater beneath the above-referenced facility is currently regulated under NPDES General Permit No. CAG914001 (Order No. 97-044) adopted by this Regional Board on June 30,1997.

We have completed our review of your Notice of Intent (NOI) form, and analytical results of representative groundwater samples that you submitted to continue enrollment under the General NPDES Permit. Based on the information and water quality data you have provided, and previous groundwater monitoring reports, the groundwater underneath your facility is contaminated with MTBE and heavy metals, namely copper and lead. Therefore, we have determined that your discharge is more appropriately regulated under NPDES permit No. CAG994004, Order No. R4-2003-0111, Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges of Groundwater from Construction and Project Dewatering to Surface Waters in the Coastal Watersheds of Los Angeles and Ventura Counties, adopted by this Board on August 7, 2003.

The existing enrollment under General NPDES Permit No. CAG914001, Order No. 97-044, which was issued to you on June 30, 1997, is superseded by this new permit, and your coverage under Order No. 97-044 will be terminated in a separate letter.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. R4-2003-0111 and a revised Monitoring and Reporting Program (MRP) No. CI-6847. Order No. R4-2003-0111 replaced Order No. 97-044, which has been terminated. The discharge limitations in Part E.1.a. and b. of Order No. R4-2003-0111 for the specific constituents on the table with the enclosed Fact Sheet 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.

The MRP 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-6847 and NPDES No.

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CAG994004", 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. R4-2003-0111 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. 6847

Order No. R4-2003-0111, General NPDES Permit No. CAG994004

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

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