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November 12, 2003

Mr. David Herrera South Montebello Irrigation District 864 Washington Boulevard Montebello, CA 90640 Certified Mail Return Receipt Requested Claim No. 7002 2410 0005 0647 7706

Dear Mr. Herrera:

CONTINUATION OF COVERAGE UNDER GENERAL NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM AND WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS – SOUTH MONTEBELLO IRRIGATION DISTRICT, WELL NO. 6, 864 WASHINGTON BOULEVARD, MONTEBELLO, CALIFORNIA (NPDES NO. CAG994005, CI–7803)

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 potable water supply 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.

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existing enrollment under NPDES Permit No. CAG994001, Order No. 97-045, which was issued to you on July 14, 1997, is superseded by this new permit that terminated your coverage under Order No. 97-045.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-7803. Since the groundwater analytical data provided meets the screening criteria, full enrollment under this general permit is authorized and Section E.2. will not be applicable to your discharge. However, the discharge limitations in Part E.1. of Order No. R4-2003-0108 are applicable to your discharge. The groundwater discharge flows into Rio Hondo (between Whittier Narrows Flood Control Basin and Santa Ana Freeway). Therefore, the discharge limits in Attachment B.7.f of Order No. R4-2003-0108 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, <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-7803 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.

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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-7803

 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
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California Department of Health Services, Environmental Branch
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