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November 12, 2003

Mr. Robert Kanter, Ph.D. Director of Planning The Port of Long Beach 925 Harbor Plaza Long Beach, CA 90802 Certified Mail Return Receipt Requested Claim No. 7003 0500 0000 5777 3262

Dear Mr. Kanter:

CONTINUATION OF COVERAGE UNDER GENERAL NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM AND WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS – PIER S, MARINE TERMINAL, THE PORT OF LONG BEACH, LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA (NPDES NO. CAG994004, CI-8051)

We have completed our review of your Notice of Intent (NOI) and analytical results of representative groundwater samples that you submitted in order to continue enrollment under the General NPDES Permit. Discharge of groundwater generated from the construction dewatering project at the above-referenced facility is currently regulated under NPDES General Permit No. CAG994002 (Order No. 97-043), adopted by this Board on May 12, 1997.

Based on the attached Fact Sheet and other information provided, we have determined that the groundwater discharge meets the conditions to be regulated under Order No. R4-2003-0111, *General National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System and Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges of Groundwater from Construction and Project Dewatering 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existing enrollment under NPDES Permit No. CAG994002, Order No. 97-043, which was issued to you on June 6, 2003, is superseded by this new permit which terminates your coverage under Order No. 97-043.*

Enclosed are your Waste Discharge Requirements, which also serve as your NPDES permit, consisting of Order No. R4-2003-0111 and Monitoring and Reporting Program No. CI-8051. The discharge limitations in Part E.1.a. and E.1.c. of Order No. R4-2003-0111 for the specific constituents listed on the table with the enclosed Fact Sheet are applicable to your discharge. The groundwater discharge flows into the Back Channel of Long Beach Harbor. Therefore, the discharge limits in Attachment B of Order No. R4-2003-0111 are not 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-8051 and NPDES No. CAG994004", 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. R4-2003-0111 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 Raul Medina at (213) 620-2160.

Sincerely,

Dennis A. Dickerson Executive Officer

Enclosures:

General NPDES No. CAG994004, Order No. R4-2003-0111 Fact Sheet Monitoring and Reporting Program No. CI-8051

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
Michael Lauffer, Office of Chief Counsel, State Water Resources Control Board
James Maughan, Division of Water Quality, State Water Resources Control Board
California Department of Fish and Game, Marine Resources, Region 5
California Department of Health Services, Environmental Branch
Los Angeles County, Department of Public Works, Waste Management Division
Los Angeles County, Department of Health Services
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