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August 10, 2005

Mr. Patrick Scanlon Southern California Water Company 12035 Burke Street, Suite 1 Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670 Certified Mail Return Receipt Requested Claim No. 7002 2410 0005 0647 8659

Dear Mr. Scanlon:

REVISED COVERAGE UNDER GENERAL NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT AND WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS – SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER COMPANY, CENTRALIA PLANT, 12054 CENTRALIA BOULEVARD, HAWAIIAN GARDENS (CAG994003, CI-8135)

In our letter dated November 5, 2003, we authorized you to discharge groundwater generated from potable water supply wells from the above-referenced facility 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.

We have received and reviewed your letter dated April 19, 2005, requesting to include the discharge from the proposed well rehabilitation for Centralia Site Well Nos. 3 and 4, under the above-referenced permit.

Regional Board staff have reviewed the information that you have provided. Groundwater discharge from this facility has no reasonable potential to contain toxic pollutants above the screening levels. Therefore, it is appropriate to regulate the discharge from the two additional wells and other wells associated with the Centralia Plant under the existing General NPDES permit for this facility. We have updated the Fact Sheet to include the groundwater discharge that will be generated during the rehabilitation of Well Nos. 3 and 4. The wastewater discharge flows into Coyote Creek, thence to San Gabriel River (between Firestone Boulevard and San Gabriel River Estuary), therefore, the discharge limitations in Attachment B are not applicable to your discharge.

Enclosed are your Waste Discharge Requirements, which also serve as your NPDES permit, consisting of Order No. R4-2003-0108 and revised Monitoring and Reporting Program No. Cl-8135. Prior to starting discharge, a representative sample of the effluent must be obtained and analyzed to determine compliance with the discharge limitations. The discharge limitations in Part E.i. of Order No. R4-2003-0108 are applicable to your discharge.

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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-8135 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.

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.waterboards ca.gov/rwqcb4/html/permits/general_permits.html.

If you have any questions, please contact Vilma Correa at (213) 576-6794.

Sincerely,

Jonathan S. Bishop Executive Officer

Enclosures:

Revised Fact Sheet Revised Monitoring and Reporting Program No. CI-8135

cc: Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9, Permit Section (WTR-5)
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
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NOAA, National Marine Fisheries Service
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California Department of Fish and Game, Marine Resources, Region 5
California Department of Health Services, Environmental Branch
Los Angeles County, Department of Public Works, Environmental Program Division
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