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December 12, 2003

Mr. Eric G. Reichard U.S. Geological Survey Los Angles Basin 5735 Kearny Villa Road, Suite "O" San Diego, CA 92123-1135

Certified Mail Return Receipt Requested Claim No. 7001 2510 0002 2221 9420

Dear Mr. Reichard:

CONTINUATION OF COVERAGE UNDER GENERAL NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT AND WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS – U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, LOS ANGELES COASTAL HYDROLOGIC BASIN, BALLONA CREEK WATERSHED, CALIFORNIA (NPDES NO. CAG994005, CI-8336)

We have completed our review of your Notice of Intent (NOI) and analytical results of representative groundwater samples submitted in order to continue enrollment under the General NPDES Permit. Discharge of groundwater generated from the above-referenced project site 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. R4-2003-0108, *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enrollment under NPDES Permit No. CAG994002, Order No. 97-043, which was issued to you on November 28, 2001, is superseded by this new permit that terminated your coverage under Order No. 97-043.

Enclosed are your Waste Discharge Requirements, which also serve as your NPDES permit, consisting of Order No. R4-2003-0108 and Monitoring and Reporting Program No. CI-8336. The discharge limitations in Part E of Order No. R4-2003-0108 for the specific constituents listed on the table with the enclosed Fact Sheet are applicable to your discharge. The groundwater discharge flows into Ballona Creek; therefore, the discharge limits in Attachment B of Order No. R4-2003-0108 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-8336 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 Thizar Tintut-Williams at (213) 576-6752.

Sincerely,

Dennis A. Dickerson Executive Officer

- Enclosures: Fact Sheet Monitoring and Reporting Program No. 8336 Board Order No. R4-2003-0108, General NPDES Permit No. CAG994005
- cc: Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9, Clean Water Act Standards and Permits Office (WTR-5)
 U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
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 Department of Interior, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
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 California Department of Health Services, Drinking Water and Field Operations Branch
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