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Dear Mr. Reichard:

REVISION OF COVERAGE UNDER GENERAL NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT AND WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS – U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, LOS ANGELES COASTAL HYDROLOGIC BASIN, SAN GABRIEL RIVER WATERSHED, CALIFORNIA (NPDES NO. CAG994002, CI-8339)

Discharge of treated groundwater associated with the U.S. Geological survey's construction, development, and sampling of monitoring wells located within the San Gabriel River Watershed is currently regulated under NPDES General Permit No. CAG994002 (Order No. 97-043) adopted by this Board on May 12, 1997. In a letter dated May 21, 2003, you requested to include the discharge of treated groundwater from Norwalk-1 monitoring well to the above-referenced permit.

Regional Board staff have reviewed the information that you have provided with your request. We have revised the Monitoring and Reporting Program (MRP) to include the treated groundwater discharge from Norwalk-1 monitoring well. In addition, we have made other modifications to the MRP, including new due dates for monitoring report submittal. This revised MRP supersedes the MRP previously sent to you on February 27, 2002.

Enclosed is the revised MRP No. CI-8339. You are required to implement the attached revised "Monitoring and Reporting Program" on the effective date of this letter. All monitoring reports should be sent to the Regional Board, ATTN: Information Technology Unit.

When submitting monitoring and technical reports to the Regional Board per these requirements, please include a reference to "Compliance File No. CI-8339 and NPDES No. CAG994002", 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. 97-043 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 else who requests it.

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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. 8339 (revised)
General NPDES Permit No. CAG994001, Order No. 97-043
Appendix I: SWRCB Minimum Levels

cc: Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9, Clean Water Act Standards and Permits
Office (WTR-5)
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
NOAA, National Marine Fisheries Service
Department of Interior, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
James Maughan, Division of Water Quality, State Water Resources Control Board
Michael Lauffer, Office of the Chief Counsel, State Water Resources Control Board
California Department of Health Services, Drinking Water and Field Operations Branch
California Department of Fish and Game, Region 5
Los Angeles County, Department of Public Works, Flood Control and Drainage
Los Angeles County, Department of Environmental Health
City of Cerritos, Department of Public Works
City of Downey, Department of Public Works
City of La Mirada, Department of Public Works
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