

California Regional Water Quality Control Board

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March 22, 2002

Mr. Mike Gutierrez Southern California Water Company 12035 Burke Street, Suite 1 Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670 Certified Mail Returned Receipt Requested Claim No. 7000 0520 0024 7127 8351

Dear Mr. Gutierrez:

COVERAGE UNDER GENERAL NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM AND WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS – SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER COMPANY - OTIS WELL NO. 3, 6424 S. OTIS AVENUE, BELL (CAG994002, CI–8385)

We have completed our review of your application for a permit to discharge waste under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES). Up to 4.32 million gallons per day of groundwater will be discharged during well construction, well development, and aquifer pumping test. It will be necessary to discharge at this rate during the pumping test so as to properly develop the well and size the well pump. Well development and aquifer tests will be completed within one month after the well construction.

Based on the attached Fact Sheet and other information provided, we have determined that the proposed groundwater discharge meets the conditions to be regulated under Order No. 97-043, *General National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit and Waste Discharge Requirements For Discharges of Treated Groundwater from Construction and Project Dewatering to Surface Waters in Coastal Watersheds of Los Angeles and Ventura Counties, adopted by this Board on May 12, 1997.*

Enclosed are your Waste Discharge Requirements, which also serve as your NPDES permit, consisting of Order No. 97-043 and Monitoring and Reporting Program No. CI-8385. The discharge limitations in Part E of Order No. 97-043 are applicable to your discharge. In addition, the discharge limitations in Attachment A.7.d. are applicable to your discharge. Prior to starting discharge, a representative sample of the effluent shall be obtained and analyzed to determine compliance with the discharge limitations.

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-8385 and NPDES No. CAG994002", 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. 97-043 only to the applicant. For those on the mailing list, please refer to the Board Order sent to you previously. A copy of the Order will be furnished to anyone who requests it.

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

Sincerely,

Dennis A. Dickerson Executive Officer

Enclosures:

General NPDES No. CAG994002, Order No. 97-043 Fact Sheet Monitoring and Reporting Program No. CI-8385 SWRCB Minimum Levels Appendix I

cc: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9, Clean Water Act Standards and Permits (WTR-5)
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
NOAA, National Marine Fisheries Service
Department of Interior, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Jim Kassel, Division of Water Quality, SWRCB
Michael Lauffer, Office of Chief Counsel, SWRCB
California Department of Fish and Game, Region 5
Los Angeles County, Department of Public Works, Environmental Programs Division
Los Angeles County, Department of Public Works, Flood Control Division
Los Angeles County, Department of Health Services
City of Bell, Department of Public Works
Jason Wen, Southern California Water Company

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