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Secretary for Environmental

Protection

Mr. Brian Rheinhardt Project Manager Southern California Gas Company 555 W. Fifth Street Los Angeles, CA 90013 Certified Mail Return Receipt Requested No. 7000 0520 0024 7127 8337

Dear Mr. Rheinhardt:

COVERAGE UNDER GENERAL NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT AND WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS – SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY, LOS ALAMITOS PRESSURE LIMITING STATION REPLACEMENT, HWY 22 AND N. STUDEBAKER ROAD, LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA (NPDES NO. CAG674001, CI-8419)

We have completed our review of your application for a permit to discharge hydrostatic test water under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES).

Based on the attached Fact Sheet and other information provided, we have determined that the proposed discharge of hydrostatic test water meets the conditions to be regulated under Order No. 97-047, General National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit and Waste Discharge Requirements For Discharges of Hydrostatic Test Water 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. 97-047 and Monitoring and Reporting Program No. CI–8419. The discharge limits in Part E, and Attachment B of Order No. 97-047 are applicable to your discharge. The groundwater discharge flows into the San Gabriel River between Firestone Boulevard and estuary, therefore, the discharge limits in Attachment A of Order No. 97-047 are not applicable to your discharge. Before commencing discharge, a representative sample of the effluent shall be taken 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, ATTN: Information Technology Unit. When submitting monitoring or technical reports to the Regional Board per these requirements, please include a reference to "Compliance File No. CI-8419 and NPDES No. CAG674001", 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.

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For a list of simple ways to reduce demand and cut your energy costs, see the tips at: http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/news/echallenge.html

We are sending a copy of Order No. 97-047 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 Raul Medina at (213) 620-2160.

Sincerely,

Dennis A. Dickerson Executive Officer

Enclosures

General NPDES Permit No. CAG674001, Order No. 97-047 Fact Sheet Monitoring and Reporting Program No. CI-8419 Appendix A – SWRCB Minimum Levels Priority Pollutants List

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
 Jim Kassel, 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
 City Manager, City of Long Beach

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