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Darla Wise, Stormwater Engineer County of Ventura Flood Control District 800 South Victoria Avenue Ventura, CA 93009-1610

## COVERAGE UNDER STATEWIDE GENERAL NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT FOR DISCHARGES OF AQUATIC PESTICIDES TO WATERS OF THE UNITED STATES, (CI-8428, NPDES CAG990003) – COUNTY OF VENTURA

Dear Ms Wise:

We have completed our review of your Notice of Intent to obtain coverage by the statewide general permit for discharges of aquatic pesticides under the National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES). In addition, we have reviewed your proposed monitoring and quality assurance plan for these discharges.

Based on the information provided, we have determined that your application to use aquatic pesticides to control aquatic weeds (active ingredient glyphosate) meets the conditions to be regulated under Order No. 2001-12-DWQ, *Statewide General National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit For Discharges of Aquatic Pesticides to Waters of the United States*, adopted by the State Water Resources Control Board on July 19, 2001.

We have also determined that the regional monitoring and quality assurance plan you submitted in conjunction with the City of Camarillo, the City of Ventura and the City of Port Hueneme, fulfills the requirements of the permit. Therefore, effective from July 1, 2002, you are required to implement the monitoring and quality assurance plan. We anticipate that, as experience with implementation of this permit grows, it may become necessary to modify the monitoring plan to make it more effective and efficient.

Please be aware that you are required to submit to this Regional Board, monthly pesticide use reports by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month following the month of pesticide application. In addition, you and your regional monitoring partners are required to submit each calendar year an annual report to the State Water Resources Control Board and to this Regional Board by January 31 of the following year. The first annual report is due by January 31, 2003.

When submitting monitoring or technical reports to the Regional Board per the requirements of this permit, please include a reference to "Compliance File No. CI-8428 and NPDES No. CAG990003", which will assure that the reports are directed to the appropriate file and staff. Also,

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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 if application of pesticides ceases and the permit is no longer needed.

If you have any questions, please contact LB Nye at (213) 576-6793.

Sincerely,

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Dennis A. Dickerson Executive Officer

cc: Larry Nash, Division of Water Quality, State Water Resources Control Board City of Camarillo, Stormwater Coordinator City of Ventura, Public Works Department City of Port Hueneme, Public Works Larry Walker Associates

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