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December 9, 2005

Alan C. Lloyd, Ph.D. Agency Secretary

> Mr. Lewis Latimer L2 Companies 2780 Skypark Drive, Suite 460 Torrance, CA 90505

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Dear Mr. Latimer:

COVERAGE UNDER GENERAL NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM AND WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS – L2 COMPANIES, SEGMENT E OF TOWNHOMES AT THE RIVER, TRACT NO. 5353 RIVER STREET, FILLMORE (NPDES NO. CAG994004, CI-8999)

We have completed our review of your application for a permit to discharge waste to surface waters under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES). You propose to discharge up to 2.5 million gallons per day (mgd) of groundwater during the construction of a flood control system located adjacent to the Santa Clara River in the City of Fillmore. The short-term construction dewatering is expected to be completed within three months. The high rate of discharge is necessary because the construction project is being conducted within a bank of the Santa Clara River. Should the construction project for this segment last past six months, the discharge rate will be limited to no more than 1.0 mgd.

Based on the attached Fact Sheet and other information provided, we have determined the proposed discharge of groundwater from the construction dewatering activities at the above-referenced site meets the conditions to be regulated under Order No. R4-2003-0111, General National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit and Waste Discharge Requirements for Groundwater Discharges from Construction and Project Dewatering to Surface Waters in Coastal Watersheds of Los Angeles and Ventura Counties, adopted by this Board on August 7, 2003.

Enclosed are your Waste Discharge Requirements, which also serve as your NPDES permit, consisting of Order No. R4-2003-0111 and Monitoring and Reporting Program No. CI-8999. The discharge limitations in Part E.1.a and b.ii of Order No. R4-2003-0111 for the specific constituents listed on the Table with the enclosed Fact Sheet are applicable to your discharge. The groundwater discharge flows into the Santa Clara River (between Blue Cut gaging station and A Street, Fillmore). The dewatering is taking place immediately adjacent to the Santa Clara River. Your discharge has been determined to satisfy the provisions for creekside dewatering, therefore the discharge limitations in Attachment B.3.e. of Order No. R4-2003-0111 are not applicable to your discharge, except for boron and nitrogen.

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

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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-8999 and NPDES No. CAG994004", 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.

We are sending a copy of Order No. R4-2003-0111 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 Gensen Kai at (213) 576-6651.

Sincerely,

Jonathan S. Bishop Executive Officer

Enclosures:

General NPDES No. CAG994004, Order No. R4-2003-0111

Fact Sheet

Monitoring and Reporting Program No. CI-8999

cc: 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

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California Department of Health Services, Environmental Branch

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