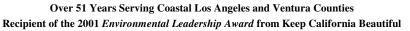


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March 16, 2006

Mr. Martin Adams
Director, Water Quality Operations
City of Los Angeles, Department of Water & Power
111 North Hope Street, Room 1213
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Certified Mail Return Receipt Requested Claim No. 7002 2410 0005 0647 8840

Dear Mr. Adams:

COVERAGE UNDER GENERAL NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM AND WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS – CITY OF LOS ANGELES, DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND POWER, FIRST STREET TRUNK LINE PROJECT, CORNER OF FIRST STREET, VAN NESS AVENUE AND BEVERLY BOULEVARD, LOS ANGELES (NPDES NO. CAG994004, CI-9036)

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

Based on the information provided, the proposed discharge of groundwater meets the conditions to be regulated under Order No. R4-2003-0111, General National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit and Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges of Groundwater 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-9036. The discharge limitations in Part E.1.a and b.1. 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 from the project drains into Benedict Canyon Channel, thence into the Ballona Creek. Therefore, the discharge limitations in Attachment B of Order No. R4-2003-0111 are not 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 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-9036 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.

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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. 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.waterboards.ca.gov/rwqcb4/html/permits/general_permits.html.

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

Sincerely,

Jonathan S. Bishop Executive Officer

Enclosures:

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

Fact Sheet

Monitoring and Reporting Program No. CI-9036

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

Michael Levy, Office of Chief Counsel, 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

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