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May 31, 2007

Mr. James Backer, Manager River Court, LLC 27441 Tourney Road Santa Clarita, CA 91355

Certified Mail Return Receipt Requested Claim No. 7001 2510 0000 4661 8492

Dear Mr. Backer:

COVERAGE UNDER GENERAL NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM AND WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS—RIVER COURT, LLC-HOPKINS-TIBBETTS BANK PROTECTION PROJECT-PHASE I, AVENUE HOPKINS AND AVENUE TIBBETTS, SANTA CLARITA, CALIFORNIA (NPDES NO. CAG994004, CI–9268)

We have completed our review of your application for a permit to discharge groundwater to surface waters under a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. You propose to discharge up to 2.5 million gallons per day (mgd) of groundwater during construction dewatering for implementation of soil-cement bank protection along the north bank of the Santa Clara River at the above-referenced land development project located in the City of Santa Clarita. The short-term construction dewatering will be completed within four months. The high rate of discharge is necessary because the construction project is being conducted within the bank of the Santa Clara River. Should the construction project for this segment last past six months, then the discharge rate will be limited to no greater than 1.0 mgd.

Based on the attached Fact Sheet and other information provided, we have determined that the proposed discharge 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-9268. 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 flows into the Santa Clara River (between Bouquet Canyon Road Bridge and West Pier Highway 99), therefore the discharge limitations in Attachment B.3.c. of Order No. R4-2003-0111 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.

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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-9268 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.waterboards.ca.gov/rwqcb4/html/permits/general_permits.html*.

If you have any questions, please contact James Tang at (213) 576-6696.

Sincerely,/

Deborah J. Smith Interim Executive Officer

Enclosures:

General NPDES No. CAG994004, Order No. R4-2003-0111 Fact Sheet Monitoring and Reporting Program No. CI-9268

CC:

Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9, Permit Section (WTR-5) U.S. Army Corps of Engineers NOAA, National Marine Fisheries Service Department of Interior, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Philip Isorena, State Water Resource Control Board, NPDES Unit California Department of Fish and Game, Marine Resources, Region 5 Los Angeles County, DPW, Environmental Programs Division Los Angeles County, DPW, Flood Control Division City of Santa Clarita, Department of Public Works Jae Kim, Tetratech Jeanne Duarte, Storm Water Resources, LLC

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