March 30, 2018

Ms. Heather A. Tomley  
Director of Environmental Planning  
Port of Long Beach  
4801 Airport Plaza Drive  
Long Beach, CA 90815

TENTATIVE ORDER FOR TERMINATION OF  
WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS

Dear Ms. Tomley,

We have completed our review of your request for termination of waste discharge requirements for one completed dredging project: Order No. R4-2015-0027 for the Port of Long Beach Inner Harbor Turning Basin Dredging project (File No. 14-110). Enclosed is a copy of the tentative order for termination of these waste discharge requirements.

In accordance with the California Water Code, this Board, at a public meeting to be held on May 10, 2018, at 9:00 a.m., at the Metropolitan Water District Board Room, located at 700 N. Alameda St., Los Angeles, California, will consider the enclosed tentative requirements and comments submitted in writing regarding any or all portions thereof. The Board will hear any testimony pertinent to these discharges and the tentative requirements. It is expected that the Board will take action at the hearing; however, as testimony indicates, the Board at its discretion may order further investigation.

Written comments and any exhibits must be submitted to the Executive Officer not later than April 30, 2018. Failure to comply with this requirement provides grounds for the Regional Board to refuse to admit the proposed written comment or exhibit into evidence (Title 23 CCR Section 648.4). If materials are not submitted in a timely matter, the Regional Board may refuse to admit written testimony into evidence unless the proponent can demonstrate why he or she was unable to submit the material on time or that compliance with the deadline would otherwise create a hardship. If any other party demonstrates prejudice resulting from admission of written testimony or exhibits not timely submitted, the Regional Board may refuse to admit it.

Should you have any questions, please telephone me at (213) 576-6681.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

Tentative Order for Termination of Waste Discharge Requirements

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    David Coupe, Office of Chief Counsel, SWRCB
    Larry Simon, California Coastal Commission
    Theresa Stevens, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
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    Allan Ota, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
    Melissa Scianni, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
    Carol Roberts, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
    Bryan Chesney, National Marine Fisheries Service
    William Paznokas, California Department of Fish and Wildlife
    Annalisa Moe, Heal the Bay
    James Vernon, Port of Long Beach
    Janna Morimoto, Port of Long Beach
The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region (Regional Board) finds:

1. The Regional Board adopted Order No. R4-2015-0027 for the Port of Long Beach Inner Harbor Turning Basin Dredging project on February 12, 2015. These WDRs authorized dredging of up to 50,000 cubic yards of material in connection with maintenance dredging operations at the Turning Basin and approach to the Turning Basin in Long Beach Harbor. The dredged material was approved for disposal within the Port of Long Beach Middle Harbor fill site. The Port of Long Beach notified the Regional Board on January 31, 2018, that the project has been completed and requested termination of the WDRs.

2. The Regional Board finds that the requirements in the aforementioned WDRs are no longer applicable and should be terminated, except for enforcement purposes.

This Regional Board has notified the Discharger and interested agencies and persons of its intent to consider termination of Order No: R4-2015-0027 and has provided them with an opportunity to submit their written views and recommendations. This Regional Board, in a public hearing, heard and considered all comments and testimony pertinent to the Termination Order.

The Executive Officer of this Regional Board, is authorized, and she is hereby directed, to certify and submit copies of this Order to the Discharger, and to such individuals and governmental agencies as may be needed or required.

I, Deborah J. Smith, Executive Officer, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an Order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region on May 10, 2018.

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Deborah J. Smith
Executive Officer

Date: May 10, 2018