State of California CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD LOS ANGELES REGION

ORDER NO. R4-2020-0XXX

TERMINATING NON-IRRIGATION GENERAL WATER REUSE ORDER NO. R4-2009-0049 (FILE NO. 08-155)

GENERAL WASTE DISCHARGE AND WATER RECLAMATION REQUIREMENTS FOR TITLE 22 RECYCLED WATER FOR NON-IRRIGATION USES OVER THE GROUNDWATER BASINS UNDERLYING THE COASTAL WATERSHEDS OF LOS ANGELES AND VENTURA COUNTIES

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region (Regional Water Board), finds:

- 1. The Regional Water Board adopted on April 2, 2009 the Non-Irrigation General Water Reuse Order No. R4-2009-0049 (Non-Irrigation General Order). This Non-Irrigation General Order regulates the use of non-irrigation uses of recycled water such as, but not limited to, dust control, sanitary sewer flushing and street sweeping.
- 2. The Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts Joint Outfall System (CI-9561) and the Valencia Water Company (also known as the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency) (CI-10081), collectively named as Users, are the enrollees covered under this Non-Irrigation General Order.
- 3. State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) Water Quality Order No. WQ 2016-0068-DDW, *Water Reclamation Requirements for Recycled Water Use* (State Water Board General Order), which regulates the production, distribution, and reuse of recycled water for direct, non-potable applications, was adopted on June 7, 2016.
- 4. The State Water Board General Order Finding #34 states that:

The State Water Board recognizes the need for streamlined permitting consistent with the State Water Board's Recycled Water Policy. The State Water Board's intention in the issuance of this statewide order is to provide consistent regulation of non-potable uses of recycled water statewide. To provide such consistency, the State Water Board intends that regulatory coverage under an existing Regional Water Board general order or conditional waiver for non-potable uses of recycled water (landscape irrigation, golf course irrigation, dust control, street sweeping, etc.) will be terminated by the applicable Regional Water Board within three (3) years after adoption of this General Order. Enrollees covered by

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a Regional Water Board general order or conditional waiver for non-potable uses of recycled water may continue discharging under that authority until the applicable Regional Water Board issues a Notice of Applicability to an Administrator per the terms of this Order. Enrollees under Order WQ 2014-0090-DWQ will be transferred for coverage under this General Order.

5. On December 11, 2018, the State Water Board amended the *Water Quality Control Policy for Recycled Water* (Recycled Water Policy). These amendments became effective on April 8, 2019. The amended Recycled Water Policy section 11.2.2 states that:

If an enrollee under an existing regional water board general order for non-potable uses of recycled water has a Title 22 engineering report approved after January 1, 2001, the regional water board shall transition the enrollee to Order WQ 2016-0068-DDW or its successor, unless a site-specific order is more appropriate, before April 8, 2020.

- 6. The Regional Water Board issued a Notice of Applicability (NOA) for the Users on April 7, 2020, to transition regulatory coverage for their recycled water uses through enrollment in the State Water Board General Order.
- 7. Therefore, the Regional Water Board's Non-Irrigation General Order is no longer necessary and should be terminated.
- 8. The Regional Water Board has notified the Users, interested agencies, and persons of its intent to consider termination of the Non-Irrigation General Order.
- 9. The Regional Water Board, in a public hearing, heard and considered all comments and testimony pertinent to this matter.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the following Non-Irrigation General Order be terminated, except for enforcement purposes:

Order Number (Adoption Date)

Order No. R4-2009-0049 Non-Irrigation General Water Reuse Order (April 2, 2009)

Reason for Termination

In accordance with Finding #34 of the State Water Board Water Quality Order No. WQ 2016-0068-DDW, Water Reclamation Requirements for Recycled Water Use, and section 11.2.2 of the Recycled Water Policy, the Regional Water Board General Order No. R4-2009-0049 needs to be terminated.

The Executive Officer of the Regional Water Board is authorized and directed to certify and submit copies of this Order to the Dischargers, and to such individuals and governmental agencies as may have need therefore or may request the same.

I, Renee Purdy, Executive Officer, do 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 14, 2020.

Renee Purdy
Executive Officer