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CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER  
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LOS ANGELES REGION

December 22, 2015

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL  
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

California Waterboards  
Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board  
320 West 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 200  
Los Angeles, CA 90013  
Attention: Samuel Unger, P.E.  
Executive Officer

RE: California Water Code Directive-  
Order to Submit Information

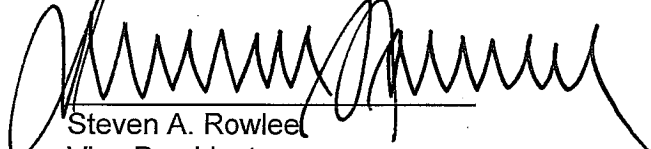
Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated December 18, 2015 (see copy enclosed) and more specifically to the third paragraph thereof, the last sentence, which states, "If you currently do not operate any oil and gas facility within Los Angeles or Ventura Counties, please respond to this Order with such information."

Please be advised that Trio Petroleum LLC does not operate any oil and gas facility within Los Angeles or Ventura Counties. Unless we hear from you to the contrary, we will assume that this statement is a satisfactory response to the Order.

Very truly yours,

Trio Petroleum LLC



Steven A. Rowlee  
Vice President

cc: Gary Horace  
Jane Galbreath



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Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

December 18, 2015

Mr. C. C. Horace  
Trio Petroleum LLC  
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Bakersfield, CA 93309

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CLAIM NO. 7015 0640 0006 6057 9291

**CALIFORNIA WATER CODE DIRECTIVE PURSUANT TO SECTION 13267 – ORDER TO SUBMIT INFORMATION – THE DISPOSAL OF WELL DRILLING FLUIDS, WELL COMPLETION FLUIDS, AND PRODUCTION FLUIDS TO LAND FOR TRIO PETROLEUM LLC OIL AND GAS OPERATIONS IN LOS ANGELES AND VENTURA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA**

Dear Mr. Horace:

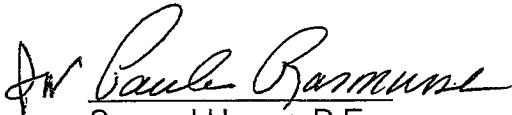
The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region (Regional Board), is the public agency with primary responsibility for the protection of ground and surface water quality within the major portions of Los Angeles and Ventura Counties.

Recently, the California State Legislature has requested that the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) obtain information from operators of oil and gas production facilities regarding the management of fluids associated with oil and gas production and the potential impacts on water quality. As you know, a common oil and gas industry practice is to discharge oil production fluids to land, typically into sumps or produced water ponds.

Operator contact information available from the California Division of Oil, Gas, and Geothermal Resources (DOGGR) has identified Trio Petroleum LLC as an operator of oil and gas wells within either DOGGR District One or Two, or as an operator within multiple DOGGR Districts. The enclosed Order issued pursuant to section 13267 of the California Water Code requires the submittal of technical reports regarding information on how fluids associated with oil and gas production are managed within the fields you operate. The Regional Board will provide this information to the State Water Board. If you currently do not operate any oil and gas facility within Los Angeles or Ventura Counties, please respond to this Order with such information.

The Regional Board requires this information as set forth in the attached Order No. R4-2015-0328 (Order) no later than **30 days** from the issuance of the Order. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. Joshua Cwikla at (213) 576-6713, or by email at [joshua.cwikla@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:joshua.cwikla@waterboards.ca.gov), or Dr. Yue Rong at (213) 576-6710, or by email at [yue.rong@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:yue.rong@waterboards.ca.gov)

Sincerely,



Samuel Unger, P.E.  
Executive Officer

Enclosure: Order No. R4-2015-0328

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Christine York, State Water Resources Control Board  
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