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REPORT OF WASTE DISCHARGE SUBMITTAL FOR RENEWAL OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES MUNICIPAL STORM WATER DISCHARGE PERMIT (NPDES PERMIT NO. CAS004001)

Dear Mr. Pestrella:

We have reviewed your letter dated May 11, 2006 regarding the Report of Waste Discharge (ROWD) due in June 2006. We appreciate your efforts to coordinate the ROWD renewal application and understand the issues involved with having many Permittees. Your letter asks for clarification on potentially receiving several ROWDs and any other suggestions for submittal.

To make the renewal process as smooth and rapid as possible, we expect only one ROWD under this NPDES Permit number. The ROWD shall be signed by each Permittee/coapplicant at the level of City Manager (with no delegations below that level) to demonstrate that they are a party to the reapplication.

Should another City or group of cities on a watershed basis choose to submit a separate ROWD, the following shall be included:

1. If a Permittee/s agrees with only certain sections of the ROWD that/those Permittee/s shall also submit a letter signed by the City Manager (with no delegations below that level) and list which whole sections they desire deleted;
2. If that ROWD includes a deleted section, a replacement section shall be included with any specific language different than the County ROWD highlighted;
3. In no case may we accept a less exhaustive program(s) than what already exists unless there is an appropriate rationale and a replacement program(s); and
4. Any other ROWD shall also include a complete monitoring program for a completely separate permit.

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Mr. Mark Pestrella
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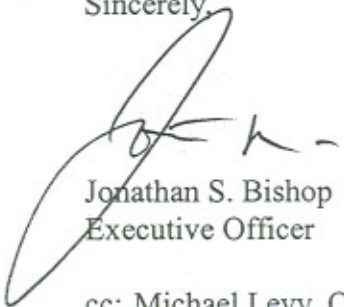
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My staff look forward to working with the Permittees in a cooperative manner during the drafting of the new LA MS4 Storm Water Permit.

Please call me directly if you have any questions or concerns on this matter at (213) 576-6605. Alternatively, your staff may contact Mr. Carlos Urrunaga of my staff for any additional questions or issues at (213) 620-2083 or by email at currunaga@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



Jonathan S. Bishop
Executive Officer

cc: Michael Levy, Office of the Chief Counsel, State Water Resources Control Board
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Los Angeles County Municipal Storm Water Permittees
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Dear Mr. Bishop:

REPORT FOR WASTE DISCHARGE SUBMITTAL FOR RENEWAL OF THE 2001 MUNICIPAL NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT

The Los Angeles County Flood Control District (Principal Permittee) is making a strong effort to prepare a Report of Waste Discharge (ROWD) for renewal of the Los Angeles County 2001 Municipal National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit that incorporates the comments and concerns of all 84 permittees. Naturally, it is difficult to get 84 different agencies to agree on every permit issue. As Principal Permittee, we are attempting to submit our best faith effort for renewal of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit, which is inclusive of the majority of permittees.

However, we have run into several hurdles during the ROWD preparation process. It now appears that several permittees may submit their own separate ROWD. To facilitate the ROWD submittal of permittees that are not in agreement with the Principal Permittee's ROWD, we propose that permittees be allowed to submit a letter outlining the items they would like to have excluded from their ROWD and an attachment of the Principal Permittee's ROWD with the exclusion(s) crossed out. Please clarify the Regional Water Quality Control Board's position on this matter.

We look forward to continuing to work with you as we move through this permit process. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Daniel J. Lafferty at (626) 458-4325.

Very truly yours,

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