



Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

January 2, 2020

Ms. Anastasia Duarte
Tesoro Refining and Marketing Company LLC
3450 South 344th Way, Suite 135
Auburn, WA 98001-5931

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CLAIM NO. 7019 0700 0001 9921 6107

TERMINATION OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR TESORO/SHELL STATION #68501, 3820 SIERRA HIGHWAY, ACTON, CALIFORNIA (FILE NO. 95-027, ORDER NO. 01-031, SERIES NO. 203, CI-10107, GLOBAL ID WDR 100020534)

Dear Ms. Duarte:

The Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) is the public agency with primary responsibility for the protection of ground and surface water quality for all beneficial uses within major portions of Los Angeles and Ventura Counties. The Tesoro/Shell Service Station No. 68501 is located within the Regional Water Board jurisdiction.

On May 15, 1995, the Regional Water Board adopted Waste Discharge Requirements (WDR) Order No. 95-057 for Shell Oil Company (Discharger) to discharge up to 1,500 gallons per day of wastewater from an on-site wastewater treatment system (OWTS) consisting of one 1,500-gallon septic tank and two seepage pits at the facility located at 3820 Sierra Highway, Acton, California.

On May 8, 2007, Tesoro South Coast Company LLC (Tesoro) purchased the Tesoro/Shell Service Station No. 68501 (Station) from Shell Oil Products LLC and assumed all its liabilities. The Station, which is owned and operated by Tesoro, consists of a gasoline service station, a car wash, a mini-market, and a sandwich shop.

In June 2013, the OWTS failed and the Discharger immediately ceased discharge from the restrooms. Instead, the employees and customers used the two portable restrooms at the site.

On March 31, 2014, Tesoro proposed to install a new 8,000-gallon Advantex® AX-MAX75 water treatment unit to replace the failed OWTS. On December 29, 2014, the Discharger was enrolled under General WDR Order No. 01-031 for the proposed new OWTS.

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In April 2015, the failed OWTS was abandoned. In May 2015, the new advance treatment system was installed and began operation on May 22, 2015. On December 23, 2016, the Regional Water Board terminated WDR Order No. 95-057 because the new advanced treatment system was enrolled under General WDR Order No. 01-031.

On October 2, 2018, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors adopted the Local Agency Management Program (LAMP). The LAMP allows the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Health to regulate the OWTS within the county.

On September 12, 2019, Orion Environmental Inc., on behalf of Tesoro, submitted a request for termination of the General WDR Order No. 01-031 because the advanced treatment system at the Station is currently managed by the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health under the LAMP. Therefore, coverage of the Station under Regional Water Board General WDR Order No. 01-031 is hereby terminated with the exception of enforcement under the term of the permit.

Should you have any questions, please contact the Project Manager, Mr. David Koo, at (213) 576-6155 (David.Koo@waterboards.ca.gov), or the Chief of the Groundwater Permitting Unit, Dr. Eric Wu at (213) 576-6683 (Eric.Wu@waterboards.ca.gov).

Sincerely,



Renee Purdy
Executive Officer

cc (via email): Ms. Isabella Kwok, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Health
Mr. Michael Purchase, Orion Environmental Inc.