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**TERMINATION OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR VENTURA COUNTY WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 16, PIRU WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT AT 2815 E. TELEGRAPH RD, FILMORE, CALIFORNIA (WDR ORDER NO. R4-2004-0032, CI-5714)**

Dear Mr. Pakala:

On January 29, 2004, this Regional Board adopted Waste Discharge Requirements (WDR), Order No. R4-2004-0032 for Ventura County Waterworks District No. 16 Piru Wastewater Treatment Plant, Facility ID No. 4A560114006 (Discharger) to discharge treated groundwater to groundwater basins in the Santa Clara River valley. On February 10, 2011, the Discharger requested the termination of WDR Order No. R4-2004-0032. Regional Board staff verified that treatment was now taking place at an adjacent new facility permitted under WDR Order No. R4-2009-0027.

In accordance with administrative procedures, this Regional Board, at a public hearing on May 5, 2011, adopted the enclosed Order R4-2011-0088, which terminates WDR Order No. R4-2004-0032. We are sending a copy of Order only to the Discharger. A copy of the Order will be furnished to anyone who requests it.

If you have any questions, please call Ms. Elizabeth Erickson at (213) 620-2264 or me at (213) 576-6683.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: Order for Termination of Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. R4-2011-0088

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

ORDER NO. R4-2011-0088

**TERMINATION OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS  
FOR DISCHARGES TO LAND/GROUNDWATER  
(Old Piru Wastewater Treatment Plant)**

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

1. On January 29, 2004, this Regional Board adopted Waste Discharge Requirements (WDR) contained in Order No. R4-2004-0032 for Ventura County Waterworks District No. 16 (Discharger) for discharges of treated wastewater to groundwater basins in the Ventura Region at the old Piru Wastewater Treatment Plant (hereinafter "Old Piru WWTP"), Facility ID No. 4A560114006, located at 2815 East Telegraph Road, Fillmore, California. The Old Piru WWTP, which was originally constructed in 1974, provided secondary treatment for wastewater and had a daily dry weather average flow of 260,000 gallons per day (gpd).
2. Due to its age and design capacity, the Old Piru WWTP was not able to consistently comply with the requirements contained in Order No. R4-2004-0032. Instead of upgrading the Old Piru WWTP, the Discharger decided to construct a new wastewater treatment plant (hereinafter "New Piru WWTP"). On February 5, 2009, this Regional Board adopted Order No. R4-2009-0027, which established waste discharge requirements for the New Piru WWTP. The Regional Board also issued various Time Schedule Orders that established interim effluent limits for the Old Piru WWTP and allowed time for the Discharger to construct the New Piru WWTP. The Regional Board required the Discharger to complete construction, startup activities, and testing of the New Piru WWTP to achieve full compliance with new waste discharge requirements contained in Order No. R4-2009-0027 no later than February 28, 2010.
3. On February 11, 2011, the Discharger notified the Regional Board that it had completed construction of the New Piru WWTP and that the plant had been online since February 19, 2010. The New Piru WWTP uses activated sludge treatment, provides nitrification-denitrification capabilities, and has a maximum treatment capacity of 500,000 gpd. The Old Piru WWTP was decommissioned starting on March 26, 2010. The Old Piru WWTP was demolished and the site was cleared by April 30, 2010.
4. Because the Old Piru WWTP was decommissioned, the Regional Board finds that waste discharge requirements in Order No. R4-2004-0032 are no longer applicable and shall be terminated, except for enforcement purposes.
5. The Regional Board has notified the Discharger and interested agencies and persons of its intent to consider termination of Order No. R4-2004-0032 and has provided them with an opportunity to submit comments.

May 5, 2011

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6. The Regional Board, in a public hearing, heard and considered all comments and testimony pertinent to the Order.

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that Order No. R4-2004-0032 is terminated, except for enforcement purposes.

The Executive Officer of this Regional Board is authorized, and is hereby directed, to certify and submit copies of this Order to the Discharger, and to such individuals and governmental agencies that request it.

I, Samuel Unger, 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 5, 2011.



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Samuel Unger, P.E.  
Executive Officer