



# California Regional Water Quality Control Board

## Los Angeles Region



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**TERMINATION OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR LAND TREATMENT UNITS, CONOCOPHILLIPS LOS ANGELES REFINERY, WILMINGTON PLANT, WILMINGTON, CA (ORDER NO. 96-100, CI-7404, FILE NO. 85-008)**

Dear Mr. Harris:

Reference is made to our letter dated April 12, 2011, that transmitted a tentative order for the termination of Order No. 96-100 that was adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region (Regional Board) on December 9, 1996, to regulate the bioremediation of non-hazardous petroleum hydrocarbon contaminated soils in two land treatment units (LTUs) at the subject site. Pursuant to Division 7 of the California Water Code, the Regional Board at a public hearing held on June 2, 2011, reviewed the tentative order, considered all factors in the case, and adopted Order No. R4-2011-0103 (copy attached), which terminates Order No. 96-100.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Dr. Enrique Casas, Project Manager, at (213) 620-2299.

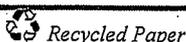
Sincerely,

*for*   
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Enclosure: Order No. R4-2011-0103

cc: Ms. Leslie Graves, State Water Resources Control Board  
Ms. Cindy Chen, Los Angeles County Environmental Health Division – Solid Waste Program  
Mr. Sean Hunt, Trihydro, Inc.

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
LOS ANGELES REGION

ORDER NO. R4-2011-0103

**TERMINATION OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS  
FOR DISCHARGES TO LAND/GROUNDWATER**

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

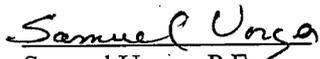
1. This Regional Board adopted Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) contained in Order No. 96-100, on December 9, 1996, for Union Oil Company of California, Los Angeles Refinery (Carson Plant, Wilmington Plant, and Marine Terminal) for the bioremediation of non-hazardous petroleum hydrocarbon contaminated soils from the refinery facility in two land treatment units (LTUs) at the Wilmington Plant (located at 1660 Anaheim St., Wilmington, California) portion of the refinery facility.
2. Between 1992 and 1997 the LTUs were used to bioremediate non-hazardous petroleum hydrocarbon contaminated soils to levels that were protective of surface and ground waters.
3. No soils have been placed in the LTUs for bioremediation since March 1997.
4. In March 2011, ConocoPhillips, successor owner of the refinery facility, completed clean closure of the LTUs pursuant to requirements of section 21090 of title 27 of the California Code of Regulations. The clean closure was approved by the Regional Board Executive Officer in a letter dated April 8, 2011.
5. The Regional Board finds that WDRs are no longer applicable because the regulated operations have ceased. As such, Order No. 96-100 shall be terminated.
6. The termination of WDRs is exempt from the provisions of Chapter 3 (commencing with Section 21100), Division 13, Public Resources Code, in accordance with Water Code Section 13389.

The Regional Board has transmitted copies of this tentative Order to the Discharger and to interested agencies and persons, and has notified them of its intent to terminate requirements at a public meeting to be held on June 2, 2011. At that public meeting, the Regional Board gave the opportunity for a hearing and considered comments and correspondence pertinent to this matter.

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. 96-100 be terminated, except for enforcement purposes.

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

I, Samuel Unger, 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 June 2, 2011.

  
Samuel Unger, P.E.  
Executive Officer