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Terry Tamminen

Secretary for

Environmental

Protection

Mr. Patrick Scanlon Southern California Water Company 17140 S. Avalon Boulevard, Suite 100 Carson, CA 90746 Certified Mail Return Receipt Requested Claim No. 7002 2410 0005 0647 7812

Dear Mr. Scanlon:

CONTINUATION OF COVERAGE UNDER GENERAL NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM AND WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS – SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER COMPANY, OTIS WELL NO. 3, 6424 S. OTIS AVENUE, BELL, CALIFORNIA (NPDES NO. CAG994005, CI-8385)

We have completed our review of your Notice of Intent (NOI) and analytical results of representative groundwater samples submitted in order to continue enrollment under the General NPDES Permit. Discharge of groundwater generated from the potable water supply well at the above-referenced facility is currently regulated under NPDES General Permit No. CAG994002 (Order No. 97-043) adopted by this Board on May 12, 1997.

Based on the information provided, we have determined that discharge of groundwater meets the conditions to be regulated under Order No. R4-2003-0108, *General National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System and Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges of Groundwater from Potable Water Supply Wells to Surface Waters in Coastal Watersheds of Los Angeles and Ventura Counties*, adopted by this Board on August 7, 2003. Your existing enrollment under NPDES Permit No. CAG994002, Order No. 97-043, which was issued to you on March 22, 2002, is superseded by this new permit that terminated your coverage under Order No. 97-043.

Enclosed are your Waste Discharge Requirements, which also serve as your NPDES permit, consisting of Order No. R4-2003-0108 and Monitoring and Reporting Program No. CI-8385. Since the groundwater analytical data provided meets the screening criteria, full enrollment under this general permit is authorized and Section E.2. will not be applicable to your discharge. However, the discharge limitations in Part E.1. of Order No. R4-2003-0108 are applicable to your discharge. The groundwater discharge flows into the Los Angeles River (between Figueroa Street and Los Angeles River Estuary). Therefore, the discharge limits in Attachment B.7.d of Order No. R4-2003-0108 are applicable to your discharge.

The Monitoring and Reporting Program requires you to implement the monitoring program on the effective date of coverage under this permit. All monitoring reports should be sent to the Regional Board, <u>ATTN: Information Technology Unit.</u> When submitting monitoring or technical reports to the Regional Board per these requirements, please include a reference to "Compliance File No.

California Environmental Protection Agency

CI-8385 and NPDES No. CAG994005", which will assure that the reports are directed to the appropriate file and staff. Also, please do not combine other reports with your monitoring reports. Submit each type of report as a separate document.

In order to avoid future annual fees, please submit written notification when the project has been completed and the permit is no longer needed.

We are sending a copy of Order No. R4-2003-0108 only to the applicant. For those on the mailing list, please refer to the Board Order sent to you previously or download a copy of the Order from our website at http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/rwqcb4/html/permits/general_permits.html.

If you have any questions, please contact Vilma Correa at (213) 576-6794.

Sincerely,

Dennis A. Dickerson Executive Officer

Enclosures:

General NPDES No. CAG994005, Order No. R4-2003-0108 Fact Sheet Monitoring and Reporting Program No. CI-8385

cc: Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9, Permit Section (WTR-5)

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services, Division of Ecological Services

NOAA, National Marine Fisheries Service

Michael Lauffer, Office of Chief Counsel, State Water Resources Control Board

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California Department of Health Services, Environmental Branch

Los Angeles County, Department of Public Works, Environmental Program Division

Los Angeles County, Department of Public Works, Flood Control Division

Los Angeles County, Department of Health Services

City of Bell, Department of Public Works

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