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RESCISSION OF COVERAGE UNDER GENERAL WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS – 10309 NATIONAL BLVD., LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA (FILE NO. 05-171; CI-8970) (R4-2005-0030; SERIES NO. 028)

Dear Ms. Kabbaz:

Reference is made to our letter dated October 7, 2005, transmitting General Waste Discharge Requirements (General WDRs) for Groundwater Remediation at Petroleum Hydrocarbon Fuel and/or Volatile Organic Compound Impacted Sites (Order No. R4-2005-0030, Series No. 028) and Monitoring and Reporting Program No. CI-8970 to you for the remediation of petroleum hydrocarbon contamination at the subject site.

Le Lycée Française de Los Angeles (LFLA) is the owner of a property of approximately 0.7 acre located at 10309 Nation Boulevard in the City of Los Angeles, California, and intends to construct a private high school at the location. In its Report of Waste Discharge (permit application) dated June 21, 2005, LFLA reported that subsurface soils were contaminated with petroleum hydrocarbon and volatile organic compounds in the northwestern section of the site, in an area of approximately 2,000 square feet. Cleanup of the site had been overseen by the County of Los Angeles Fire Department Site Mitigation Unit (SMU). LFLA had proposed to remediate the contamination with an In-situ Chemical Oxidation (ISCO) method. Because the proposed remediation involves injecting liquids (hydrogen peroxide and citric acid) to subsurface and may cause contamination to groundwater, the SMU directed LFLA to obtain approval from the Regional Board. By issuing the General WDRs, the Regional Board approved the proposed ISCO remediation at the site.

ISCO remediation at the site was conducted from November 3, 2005 to January 11, 2006. During the remediation, Regional Board staff inspected the site on November 22, December 28, and December 29, 2005. Subsequently, LFLA submitted a final Remedial Action Report, dated January 12, 2006, including analytical data of confirmation soil samples and groundwater samples, to the SMU and the Regional Board. In a letter dated February 1, 2006, the SMU determined that known site contamination had been satisfactorily mitigated for the proposed land use and that the SMU had no further requirement or restriction relating to the site.

In a letter dated February 7, 2007, the Regional Board Executive Officer determined that remediation at the site had reached the target cleanup levels and that the planned construction at the site may proceed with two conditions: 1) All soil excavated from ground surface to 18 feet deep in the contaminated area must be disposed of at a Class III landfill; and 2) Quarterly groundwater monitoring at the site must be continued until coverage of the General WDRs is rescinded.

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From May 2006 to January 2007, we received three additional quarterly groundwater monitoring reports from you, indicating that groundwater at the site was not contaminated. On May 19, 2006, we issued General Wasted Discharge Requirements [Order No. 91-93, File No. 88-57-010(06)] to you for the discharge of non-hazardous contaminated soil to a Class III Landfill. On March 1, 2007, you submitted a letter to the Regional Board and reported, among other information, that a total of 3,363 tons of contaminated soil had been hauled from the property to the Bradley Landfill and two soil treatment facilities. Your letter further requested that coverage of the General WDRs for the site be terminated.

Based on information you submitted, and Board staff's observation during site inspections, we have determined that the site is no longer required to be regulated under the General WDRs. Coverage of the General WDRs for the site, as well as the associated Monitoring and Reporting Program (CI 8970) are hereby rescinded. Please note that all groundwater monitoring wells at the site must be properly decommissioned and such decommissioning must be permitted by the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health, Environmental Health Division.

If you have any additional questions, please contact Dr. Wen Yang at (213) 620-2253.

Sincerely,

Jonathan S. Bishop Executive Officer

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