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**Subject: City of Gardena (WDID 4B190118002) Semi-annual MS4 Permit Electronic Data Submission**

Dear Mr. Ridgeway:

The City of Gardena (City) appreciates this opportunity to transition from responding to Investigative Order R4-2018-0121, signed by Mr. Hugh Marley of the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (LARWQCB) on September 6, 2018, and return to normal Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit reporting and certification procedures. As you may recall from our October 16, 2018, Investigative Response Order Letter and Technical Memorandum, the City is in dispute with its prior environmental services consultant, the analytical laboratory legally precluded from providing reports, and CWE contracted to transcribe and reconstruct as possible MS4 Permit water quality monitoring data.

Acknowledging the limitations outlined in the referenced prior Technical Memorandum and following the recommendations in your November 7, 2018, submittal notice, this transmittal letter and the accompanying California Environmental Data Exchange Network (CEDEN) format Excel<sup>®</sup> data file also responds to requirements 4 through 7 of Investigative Order R4-2018-0121, by conveying to you the available water quality monitoring data collected by the prior consultant from January 1 to June 30, 2018.

I, Edward Medrano, the Legally Responsible Person for the City of Gardena certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision, in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gathered and evaluated the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.

Respectfully submitted,

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