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November 5, 2008

In reply refer to: GWB.chenning

To Interested / Affected Parties:

SUBJECT: TENTATIVE ORDER NO. R9-2008-0130 AND TENTATIVE

RESOLUTION NO. R9-2008-0129 REGARDING EXISTING DAIRY ANIMAL FEEDING OPERATIONS IN THE SAN DIEGO REGION

Enclosed are copies of Tentative Order No. R9-2008-0130, *Waste Discharge Requirements for Existing Dairy Animal Feeding Operations in the San Diego Region* and Tentative Resolution No. R9-2008-0129, *Adoption of a Negative Declaration Regarding Potential Environmental Impacts for Existing Dairy Animal Feeding Operations.* Tentative Order No. R9-2008-0130 prescribes waste discharge requirements for those existing dairies in the Region with NPDES permits being rescinded by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (Regional Board) and for those other existing dairies in the Region, who request to be enrolled under this General Order. By enrolling under the General Order, a dairy could expand its herd size to up to 1999 milking cows without being subject to individual waste discharge requirements.

The existing dairies that will be enrolled under the General Order are: T.D. Dairy in Ramona; Frank J. Konyn Dairy in San Pasqual Valley; and Van Ommering Dairy in Lakeside.

The existing dairies that may be enrolled in the future are: Dowle Dairy in Ramona; Stiefel Dairy and Wesselink Dairy in Winchester; John Konyn Dairy in Valley Center; and Bert Verger Dairy in Escondido.

Tentative Resolution No. R9-2008-0129 pertains to a Mitigated Negative Declaration of potential environmental impacts from existing dairies and animal feeding operations that could be regulated under the General Order. The Mitigated Negative Declaration/Initial Study is available for review on-line, at the following URL: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego.

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Existing Dairy Animal Feeding Operations
Tentative Order No. R9-2008-0130
Tentative Resolution No. R9-2008-0129

Both the Resolution and Tentative Order will be presented to the Regional Board at their scheduled meeting on Wednesday, December 10, 2008. The meeting will begin promptly at 9:00 AM and will be held at the following location:

Water Quality Control Board Regional Board Meeting Room 9174 Sky Park Court, Suite 100 San Diego, California 92123

Interested persons will be given until December 4, 2008, to submit written comments on the tentative Waste Discharge Requirements and Mitigated Negative Declaration. Written comments on this matter received after <u>5:00 P.M. on December 4, 2008</u> will not be considered by the Regional Board.

The heading portion of this letter includes a Regional Board code noted after "In reply refer to." In order to assist us in the processing of your correspondence please include this code number in the heading or subject line portion of all correspondence and reports to the Regional Board pertaining to this matter.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please contact Ms. Cathryn Henning by e-mail at chenning@waterboards.ca.gov or by phone at (858) 636-3161.

Sincerely,

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cc: Interested / Affected Parties List

