## CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD SAN DIEGO REGION

## TENTATIVE ADDENDUM NO. 2 TO ORDER NO. R9-2007-0001 NPDES PERMIT NO. CAS0108758

## AN ADDENDUM EXTENDING THE DUE DATE FOR THE ILLICIT DISCHARGE DETECTION AND ELIMINATION REPORTING REQUIREMENT AND CHANGING THE BIOASSESSMENT MONITORING PROGRAM FOR ORDER NO. R9-2007-0001

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (hereinafter Regional Board) finds that:

- On January 24, 2007, the Regional Board adopted Order No. R9-2007-0001 (NPDES Permit No. CAS0108758), Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges of Urban Runoff from the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4s) Draining the Watersheds of the County of San Diego, the Incorporated Cities of San Diego County, the San Diego Unified Port District, and the San Diego County Regional Airport Authority (Copermittees), which prescribes requirements for the control of pollutant discharges from MS4s within San Diego County.
- Order No. R9-2007-0001 requires the Copermittees to submit reports and plans on prescribed dates to ensure compliance with the directives of Order No. R9-2007-001. As part of the reporting requirements, the Copermittees must submit Jurisdictional Urban Runoff Management Plan (JURMP) annual reports by September 30<sup>th</sup> each year. This includes reporting on the Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination program component.
- 3. The Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination program component involves extensive water quality sampling during the dry weather season. The dry weather season is defined as May 1 through September 30<sup>th</sup>.
- 4. More time is needed for reporting of the Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination program component, since the current reporting requirement due date is on the same calendar day as the end of the dry weather season. A delayed reporting requirement for this specific program component is necessary to submit all dry season monitoring and program information together.
- Order No. R9-2007-0001 requires the Copermittees to conduct bioassessment in May or June and September or October in accordance with the Receiving Waters and Urban Runoff Monitoring and Reporting Program No. R9-2007-0001.

- Bioassessment in May or June is more effective in San Diego streams since some streams are ephemeral and only have flow during spring after winter storms.
- 7. The Stormwater Monitoring Coalition of Southern California designed a Storm Water Monitoring Coalition Regional Watershed Monitoring Program (SMC study). The goal of this project is to implement a large-scale, regional bioassessment monitoring program for southern California's coastal streams and rivers. The SMC study will use a probabilistic design (randomly selected sites) that provides an accurate assessment of stream health in southern California. The study is designed for continuous monitoring with samples taken over a five-year cycle.
- 8. Participation of the Copermitees in the SMC study would enhance their bioassessment monitoring efforts. The Regional Board and the Copermittees have agreed to share the costs of the implementation of the SMC study.
- The Regional Board has notified all known interested parties of its intent to modify Order No. R9-2007-0001 to reflect the extension of the due date for the Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination reporting requirement and the change of the bioassessment monitoring program.
- 10. The Regional Board in a public hearing heard and considered all comments pertaining to the modification of Order No. R9-2007-0001.
- 11. The modification of Order No. R9-2007-0001, an NPDES permit, is exempt from the requirement for preparation of environmental documents under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Public Resources Code, Division 13, Chapter 3, section 21000 et seq.) in accordance with the CWC section 13389.

#### IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT

- 1. Order No. R9-2007-0001 is modified as follows:
  - a. Section J.3.a. JURISDICTIONAL URBAN RUNOFF MANAGEMENT PROGRAM ANNUAL REPORTS. Each Jurisdictional Urban Runoff Management Program Annual Report shall contain a comprehensive description of all activities conducted by the Copermittee to meet all requirements of section D, with the exception of section D.3.4. The reporting period for these annual reports shall be the previous fiscal year. For example, the- The report submitted September 30, 2008 shall cover the reporting period July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008. For section D.3.4. the report shall be submitted December 15, 2008, and shall cover the dry weather season May 1, 2008 through September 30, 2008.

(1) Copermittees—Each Copermittee shall generate individual Jurisdictional Urban Runoff Management Program Annual Reports which cover implementation of its jurisdictional activities during the past annual reporting period. Each Copermittee shall submit to the Principal Permittee its individual Jurisdictional Urban Runoff Management Program Annual Report by the date specified by the Principal Permittee. Each individual Jurisdictional Urban Runoff Management Program Annual Report by the date specified by the Principal Permittee. Each individual Jurisdictional Urban Runoff Management Program Annual Report shall be a comprehensive description of all activities conducted by the Copermittees to meet all requirements of each component of section D<sub>1</sub> with the exception of section D.3.4, of this order.

(2) Principal Permittee—The Principal Permittee shall submit Unified Jurisdictional Urban Runoff Management Program Annual Reports to the Regional Board by September 30 of each year, beginning on September 30, 2008. <u>The exception is section D.3.4, which shall be submitted by</u> <u>December 15 of each year, beginning on December 15, 2008.</u> The Unified Jurisdictional Urban Runoff Management Program Annual Report shall contain the twenty-one individual Jurisdictional Urban Runoff Management Program Annual Reports.

b. Attachment D, fourth row from bottom:

Principal Permittee submits unified Jurisdictional Urban Runoff Management Program Annual Report to Regional Board, with the exception of section D.3.4.

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## Principal Permittee submits section D.3.4 of unified Jurisdictional Urban Runoff Management Program Annual Report. Permit Section: J.3.a.

#### Completion Date: December 15, 2008, and annually thereafter Frequency: Annually

 Receiving Waters and Urban Runoff Monitoring and Reporting Program No. R9-2007-0001, Section II.A.3.c:

Bioassessment stations to be monitored in a given monitoring year shall be monitored in May or June (to represent the influence of wet weather on the communities) and September or October (to represent the influence of dry weather flows on the communities). If the Copermittees participate in the Storm Water Monitoring Coalition Regional Watershed Monitoring Program, bioassessment stations only need to be monitored once per year in May or June. The timing of monitoring of bioassessment stations shall coincide with dry weather monitoring of mass loading and temporary watershed assessment stations.

d. Receiving Waters and Urban Runoff Monitoring and Reporting Program No. R9-2007-0001, Section II.C.3:

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3. Storm Water Monitoring Coalition Regional Watershed Monitoring Program (SMC study) Starting in the monitoring year 2008-2009 (Permit Year 2), the Copermittees may participate in the SMC study. Any participation shall include the contribution of all funds not otherwise spent for the full implementation of the bioassessment monitoring. If the Copermittees do not participate in the SMC study, then the bioassessment monitoring in spring and fall shall be implemented. During Bight years, monitoring for the SMC study shall be implemented and shall not be exchanged for Bight monitoring. Data shall be submitted through the SMC's standardized data transfer formats.

*I, John H. Robertus, Executive Officer, do hereby certify the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an Addendum adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region, on September 10, 2008.* 

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