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July 8, 2009

Mr. Bert Caster Oak Tree Ranch, Inc. 2239 Black Canyon Rd., #80 Ramona, CA 92065 CERTIFIED MAIL 7009 0820 0001 7183 6527

In reply refer to: 245585:chenning

Dear Mr. Caster:

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF VIOLATION NO. R9-2009-0115

OAK TREE RANCH PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITY WASTEWATER

TREATMENT AND DISPOSAL FACILITY

Enclosed is Notice of Violation (NOV) No. R9-2009-01115 for Oak Tree Ranch Private Residential Community Wastewater Treatment And Disposal Facility. The basis for this NOV was the monitoring data contained in the self monitoring reports for the period from the first quarter of 2007 through the first quarter of 2009. These reports were submitted by letters dated April 14, 28, and 30, May 1, and May 4, 2009.

Please take steps to implement the follow-up actions necessary to ensure that the violations do not occur in the future. As specified by Discharge Monitoring Directive B.4, Oak Tree Ranch, Inc. is required to either establish and implement a plan to achieve compliance with the Discharge Specifications of Order No. R9-2007-0046 by January 9, 2010 or submit a technical report by August 9, 2009 identifying the steps that have been and will be taken to achieve compliance as well as a time schedule identifying when compliance will be achieved.

The next monitoring report due by July 30, 2009 is the April-June 2009 quarterly monitoring report. In the subject line of any response, please include the requested "in reply refer to:" information located in the heading of this letter. For questions pertaining to the subject matter, please contact Ms. Cathryn Henning at (858)-636-3161 or at chenning@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

IJulie Chan P.G.

Supervising Engineering Geologist

Groundwater Basins Branch

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| |) NO. R9-2009-0115 | |
| Oak Tree Ranch, Inc. | j | |
| 2239 Black Canyon Road |) In reply refer to: | |
| Ramona, CA 92064 |) 245585: chenning | |

Waste Discharge Requirements: Order No. R9-2007-0046

Facility: Oak Tree Ranch Private Residential Community Wastewater Treatment

And Disposal Facility

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT:

The Oak Tree Ranch, Inc. violated-Order No. R9-2007-0046, Waste Discharge Requirements for Oak Tree Ranch, Inc., Oak Tree Ranch Private Residential Community Wastewater Treatment And Disposal Facility, Near Ramona, San Diego County. These violations subject Oak Tree Ranch, Inc. to possible further enforcement action by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (Regional Board), including administrative enforcement orders requiring Oak Tree Ranch, Inc. to cease and desist from violations, or to clean up waste and abate existing or threatened conditions of pollution or nuisance; administrative assessment of civil liability in amounts of up to \$5,000 per day per violation; referral to the State Attorney General for injunctive relief; and referral to the District Attorney for criminal prosecution.

The Regional Board reviewed the following monthly, quarterly and annual monitoring reports required by Order No. R9-2007-0046:

| PERIOD | REPORT DUE DATE | |
|-------------------------|------------------|--|
| January - March 2007 | April 30, 2007 | |
| April - June 2007 | July 30, 2007 | |
| July - September 2007 | October 30, 2008 | |
| October – December 2007 | January 30, 2008 | |
| January – December 2007 | January 30, 2008 | |
| January - March 2008 | April 30, 2008 | |
| April - June 2008 | July 30, 2008 | |
| July - September 2008 | October 30, 2008 | |
| October – December 2008 | January 30, 2009 | |
| January – March 2009 | January 30, 2009 | |

¹ Under authority of California Water Code section 13350.

July 8, 2009

Summary of Violations

1. There were 3 violations of Discharge Specification B.2, which states that after October 1, 2007 the discharge of effluent shall comply with a daily maximum limitation for total nitrogen (as N) of 9.64 milligrams per liter (mg/L). The daily maximum limitation for total nitrogen was exceeded in the effluent on the following dates:

| Sample Date | Nitrogen, Kjeldahl (mg/L) | Nitrogen, Nitrate (as N) | Nitrogen, Nitrite (as N) | Nitrogen, Total |
|-------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| 02/29/2008 | 28.0 | | | 28.0 |
| 09/3/2008 | 12.1 | ND | ND | 12.1 |
| 12/09/2009 | 10.0 | ND | ND | 10.0 |

2. There were 2 violations of Discharge Specification B.2, which states that after October 1, 2007 the discharge of effluent shall comply with a 12-month average limitation for total nitrogen (as N) of 3.36 milligrams per liter (mg/L). The 12-month average limitation for total nitrogen was exceeded at the end of 12 consecutive month period on December 30, 2008 and March 30, 2009.

| Sample Date | Nitrogen, Kjeldahl (mg/L) | Nitrogen, Nitrate (as N) | Nitrogen, Nitrite (as N) (mg/L) | Nitrogen, Total (mg/L) | 12-Month Average (mg/L) |
|-------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 02/29/2008 | 28.0 | | · · | 28.0 | |
| 06/20/2008 | 6.2 | ND | 0.11 | 6.32 | |
| 09/3/2008 | 12.1 | ND · | ND | 12.1 | |
| 12/09/2009 | 10.0 | ND | ND_ | 10.0 | 14.1 |
| 03/02/2009 | 4.51 | ND | ND | 4.51 | 8.2 |

Questions pertaining to the issuance of this Notice of Violation are to be directed to Cathryn Henning at (858)-636-3161 via e-mail at chenning@waterboards.ca.gov. Written correspondence should be directed to the following address:

Ms. Julie Chan Supervising Engineering Geologist California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region 9174 Sky Park Court, Suite 100 San Diego, CA 92123-4340

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