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November 9, 2010

Mr. Tom Rosales General Manager South Orange County Wastewater Authority 34156 Del Obispo St. Dana Point, CA 92629

In reply refer to: 257850:adai

Dear Mr. Rosales:

## SUBJECT: REVIEW OF MONITORING REPORTS SUBMITTED BY THE SOUTH ORANGE COUNTY WASTEWATER AUTHORITY (MULTIPLE FACILITIES)

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board San Diego Region (San Diego Water Board) has reviewed the August and September 2010 monthly and the July-September 2010 quarterly monitoring reports. These reports were submitted by the South Orange County Water Authority (SOCWA) in accordance with the Monitoring and Reporting Program of Order No. 97-52.

The following violations of Order No. 97-52 were identified in the submitted reports:

Moulton Niguel Water District, Regional Plant

1. The 12-month average discharge specification for manganese, established at 0.05 milligrams per liter (mg/L), was exceeded for August and September 2010 with reported values of 0.06 mg/L.

South Coast Water District, Coastal Treatment Plant

- 2. The daily maximum discharge specification for manganese, established at 0.06 mg/L, was exceeded on August 10 and September 7, 2010 with reported values of 0.09 mg/L.
- 3. The 12-month average discharge specification for manganese, established at 0.05 mg/L, was exceeded for August and September 2010 with reported values of 0.07 mg/L.

Please take steps to implement follow-up actions necessary to ensure that the violations noted do not occur in the future. These violations subject SOCWA to possible further enforcement action by the San Diego Water Board including administrative enforcement orders requiring SOCWA 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;<sup>1</sup> referral to the State Attorney General for injunctive relief; and referral to the District Attorney for criminal prosecution.

The next monitoring report required to be submitted is the October 2010 monthly monitoring report, which is due by November 30, 2010.

For questions pertaining to the subject matter, please contact Amanda Dai at (858) 627-3977 or via email at <u>adai@waterboards.ca.gov</u>.

## PLEASE INCLUDE "257850:ADAI" IN THE SUBJECT LINE OF FUTURE CORRESPONDANCE.

Sincerely,

Robert Marris

Robert W. Morris, P.E Senior Water Resource Control Engineer Cleanup and Land Discharge Branch

Regulatory Measure ID	142903					
Place ID	257850 241053	7				
Enforcement ID	376519	-				
Violation ID	884351	884352	884354	884355	884356	884357

<sup>1</sup> Under authority of California Water Code section 13350.