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April 8, 2011

In reply refer to: rsunjed:263145

Mr. Anthony Pack General Manger Eastern Municipal Water District P.O. Box 8300 Perris, CA 92572-8300

Dear Mr. Pack:

SUBJECT: REVIEW OF MONITORING REPORTS FOR TEMECULA VALLEY REGIONAL WATER RECLAMATION FACILITY

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (San Diego Water Board) has reviewed the February 2011 monthly monitoring report submitted by the Eastern Municipal Water District (EMWD) in accordance with the Monitoring and Reporting Program No. 2000-165.

The San Diego Water Board has identified the following violations of the Section B.3 (Discharge Specifications) of Order No. 2000-165:

- 1. The daily maximum discharge specification for manganese, established at 0.06 milligrams per liter (mg/L), was exceeded on February 9, 2011, with a reported value of 0.075 mg/L.
- 2. The 7-day effluent median discharge specification for coliform bacteria established at 2.2 Most Probable Number per 100 millimeters (MPN per 100 mL), was exceeded on February 17, 2011 with a reported value of 8 MPN per 100 mL.
- 3. The effluent coliform bacteria concentrations were reported as 900 and 80 MPN per 100 mL on February 16 and 17, 2011 respectively. Section B.3 of Order No. R9-2000-165 specifies that the effluent coliform bacteria concentration shall not exceed 23 MPN per 100 mL in more than one sample in a 30-day period. In addition, Title 22, section 60301.23 of the California Code of Regulations specifies that the coliform bacteria concentration of disinfected tertiary recycled water used for landscape irrigation shall not exceed 240 MPN per 100 mL

Please take steps to implement follow-up actions necessary to ensure that the violations noted do not occur in the future. These violations subject the EMWD to possible further enforcement action by the San Diego Water Board, including administrative enforcement

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orders requiring EMWD 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 next monitoring reports to be submitted is the March 2011 monthly monitoring report and the January-March quarterly monitoring report, which are due by April 30, 2011.

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 Ray Sunjed at (858) 627-3977 or via email at rsunjed@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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Regulatory Measure ID: 378514

Violation ID: 1) 895729, 2) 895730, 3) 895731, and 895732

¹ Under authority of California Water Code section 13350.