

California Regional Water Quality Control Board
Santa Ana Region

RESOLUTION NO. R8-2004-0068

Authorizing the Executive Officer
to Execute a Consent Decree
with the U.S. EPA and
Orange County Sanitation District

Whereas, the Orange County Sanitation District (hereinafter, OCSD) operates a wastewater collection conveyance, treatment and disposal system which discharges under an NPDES Permit issued jointly by the U.S. EPA and this Regional Board;

Whereas, the OCSD's NPDES permit provided a waiver from the requirement to achieve secondary treatment requirements with respect to its discharge pursuant to Section 301(h) of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. Section 1311(h);

Whereas, the OCSD's Report of Waste Discharge for renewal of its NPDES permit does not include a request for waiver of requirements to achieve secondary treatment requirements;

Whereas, The Board of Directors of OCSD, by resolution No. OCSD 02-14, dated July 17, 2002, adopted a policy to treat its wastewater discharges to meet secondary treatment requirements;

Whereas, OCSD has committed to a plan and schedule to undertake design, construction and implementation activities to achieve secondary treatment capability;


Whereas, the Regional Board and the U.S. EPA have jointly issued a renewed NPDES permit and the Regional Board has adopted a Time Schedule Order requiring that OCSD meet secondary treatment levels;

Whereas, representatives of OCSD, the Regional Board and the U.S. EPA have negotiated a draft Consent Decree to be lodged in the federal court, reciting OCSD's commitment to a plan and schedule to undertake design, construction and implementation activities to achieve secondary treatment;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

The Executive Officer is hereby authorized to execute the Consent Decree on behalf of the Regional Board and to accept any necessary nonsubstantive changes thereto.

I, Gerard J. Thibeault, Executive Officer, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region, on September 17, 2004.



Gerard J. Thibeault
Executive Officer