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Ripon Unified School District
Attn: Ziggy Robeson
304 North Acacia Avenue
Ripon, CA 95366

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Former Nestle USA, Inc.
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NOTICE OF APPLICABILITY

WAIVER OF REPORT OF WASTE DISCHARGE AND WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR SPECIFIC TYPES OF DISCHARGE WITHIN THE CENTRAL VALLEY REGION, FORMER NESTLE USA, INC., RIPON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, WELL DEVELOPMENT DISCHARGE SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY

On 9 August 2022, the Former Nestle USA, Inc. company submitted a Notice of Intent to obtain coverage under the Waiver of Report of Waste Discharge and Waste Discharge Requirements for Specific Types of Discharge within the Central Valley Region, Order R5-2018-0085 (the Waiver). The submittal contains all the information required to evaluate the applicability of the Waiver; therefore, the NOI is considered complete and the discharge meets the conditions of the Waiver. The discharge is hereby covered under the Waiver, Order R5-2018-0085-0075. Please include this number on all correspondence related to this discharge.

Project Location and Description

The Former Nestle USA, Inc. company installed two groundwater wells as part of a remediation project located at a downgradient property (Ripon Unified Public School District), located at 304 North Acacia Avenue, Ripon in San Joaquin County. Approximately 8,500 gallons of well development water were captured and stored in two temporary tanks located on-site. The Discharger is requesting to use this water for dust control and various other construction activities.

The Discharger collected water samples from the tanks and analyzed the samples for volatile organic compounds (VOCs). With the exception of low concentrations of acetone, no other VOCs were detected greater than reporting limits. Acetone is a common laboratory contaminant and is likely not the result of groundwater contamination. The two detections of acetone were less than 70 micrograms per liter

(µg/L). There is no maximum contaminant level (MCL) established for acetone. Both acetone concentrations are significantly lower than the USEPA IRIS Reference Dose as a drinking water level of 6,300 µg/L and the taste and odor threshold of 20,000 µg/L. Therefore, the presence of acetone is not expected to cause any negative impacts on groundwater and poses no threat to on-site personnel.

The Water Quality Control Plan for the Sacramento River and San Joaquin River Basins, Fifth Edition, revised May 2018, establishes water quality objectives, contains implementation plans and policies for protecting waters of the basin, and incorporates by reference plans and policies adopted by the State Water Resources Control Board. Pursuant to §13263(a) of the California Water Code (CWC), waste discharge requirements must implement the Basin Plan.

Facility Specific Requirements

Please review the attached waiver documents and ensure that the discharge complies with the Conditions of Discharge contained in Attachment A of the waiver. Former Nestle USA, Inc. is responsible for compliance with the waiver and must provide sufficient oversight to ensure compliance and prompt reporting of any noncompliance.

Document Submittals

All monitoring reports and other correspondence should be converted to searchable Portable Document Format (PDF) and submitted electronically. Documents that are less than 50 MB should be emailed to:

centralvalleysacramento@waterboards.ca.gov.

To ensure that your submittal is routed to the appropriate staff person, the following information must be included in the body of the email or any documentation submitted to the mailing address for this office:

Facility Name:	Ripon Unified School District
Program:	Non-15 Compliance
Order:	R5-2018-0085-0075
CIWQS Place ID:	882714

Documents that are 50 MB or larger must be transferred to a CD, DVD, or flash drive and mailed to:

Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board
ECM Mailroom
110020 Sun Center Drive, Suite 200
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

Now that the NOA has been issued, the Board's Compliance and Enforcement section will take over management of your case. Brendan Kenny is your point of contact for any questions about the Waiver. If you find it necessary to make a change to your permitted operations, Brendan will direct you to the appropriate Permitting staff. You may contact Brendan at bkenny@waterboards.ca.gov.

for Patrick Pulupa
Executive Officer

Enclosures: Waiver Order R5-2018-0085

cc w/o encl: San Joaquin County Environmental Health Department, Stockton