### CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD COLORADO RIVER BASIN REGION

#### **ORDER NO. 88-20**

# WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR MIKE YUROSEK AND SON, INC. - VEGETABLE WASHING PLANT

Holtville - Imperial County

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region, finds that:

- 1. Mike Yurosek and Son, Inc., a California Corporation (hereinafter also referred to as the discharger), P.O. Box 356, Holtville, California 92250, submitted current information dated September 16, 1987, to update existing waste discharge requirements.
- 2. The discharger is discharging wastewater from a carrot processing plant into a wastewater containment system located in the NE 1/4, NW 1/4, Section 36, T15S, R15E, SBB&M, and consists of two compacted, unlined settling basins having a combined storage capacity of 300,000 gallons. Process water carrying sediment flows into the primary settling basin which allows gravity settling of the sediments. Water overflows through a pipe into the secondary basin and is then pumped to the plant for reuse. An average of 24,000 gallons of water per operating day is recirculated from the plant to the two settling basins.
- 3. An average of 120,000 gallons per operating season of excess water will be discharged from the basins and used for on-site spray irrigation of property located adjacent to the settling basins or hauled by tanker truck to the fields and used for dust control. The plant will operate seasonally from January through June. This waste water is from the washing of vegetables packaged at the packing plant and has been used for no other purpose. There are no chemicals added to the water other than chlorine to assist in controlling the spread of bacteria on the vegetables. The only discharge required will be the displacement of water capacity in the reservoir due to mud and dirt accumulation in the settling basins. Most of that water will evaporate but occasionally must be discharged.
- 4. The Water Quality Control Plan for the Colorado River Basin Region of California was adopted by the Regional Board on November 14, 1984. The Basin Plan contains water quality objectives for the Imperial Hydrologic Subunit, and this Order implements those objectives.

5. Ground waters in the vicinity of the discharge are saline and are not beneficially used.

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- 7. The purpose of this Order is to update the waste discharge requirements of Board Order No. 84-43 owing to the updated information in Findings No. 2 and 3 of this Order.
- 8. The Board has notified the discharger and interested persons and agencies of its intent to update waste discharge requirements for this facility.
- 9. The Board in a public meeting heard and considered all comments pertaining to the existing discharge.
- 10. These waste discharge requirements govern an existing facility which the discharger is currently operating and therefore are exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act in accordance with Section 15301, Chapter 3, Title 14 of the California Administrative Code.
- IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, the discharger shall comply with the following:
- A. Discharge Specifications
  - 1. The treatment or disposal of waste shall not cause pollution or a nuisance as defined in Sections 13050(1) and 13050(m) of the California Water Code.
  - 2. A minimum depth of freeboard of at least two feet shall be maintained in the settling basins.
  - 3. Adequate protective works shall be provided to assure that flood or surface drainage waters do not erode or otherwise render portions of the treatment and discharge facilities inoperable.
  - 4. There shall be no surface flow of wastewater away from the settling basins and no discharge to Alamo River or to agricultural drains.
  - 5. Treatment and discharge of wastewater shall be conducted by technical procedures which will maintain an aerobic environment.
  - 6. All waste disposal shall be confined to the settling basins except wastewater removed from the basins by tank truck for dust control and wastewater used for on-site irrigation.
  - 7. Settled material removed from the settling basins shall be disposed of in a manner which will not result in pollution or a nuisance as defined by the California Water Code.
  - 8. Wastewater shall not be allowed to pond in spray areas.
  - 9. Decomposing organic matter shall not be allowed to accumulate in the settling basins.
  - 10. All wastewater shall be removed from the settling basins upon the annual cessation of vegetable processing operations.

- B. Provisions
  - 1. Prior to any modifications in this facility which would result in material change in the quality or quantity of wastewater discharged, the discharger shall report in writing to the Regional Board.
  - 2. This Order includes the attached "Monitoring and Reporting Program No. 88-20", and future revisions thereto, as required by the Executive Officer.
  - 3. In the event of any change in operation, or in control or ownership of land and/or waste disposal facilities owned or controlled by the discharger, the discharger shall:
    - a. Notify this Board of such change; and
    - b. Notify the succeeding owner or operator by letter of the existence of this Order, a copy of which shall be filed with this Board.
  - 4. This Order supersedes Board Order No. 84-43.

I, Arthur Swajian, Executive Officer, do hereby certify the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an Order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region on <u>January 27, 1988</u>.

Executive

#### CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD COLORADO RIVER BASIN REGION

## MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM NO. 88-20 FOR MIKE YUROSEK AND SON, INC., - VEGETABLE WASHING PLANT Holtville - Imperial County

Location of Discharge: NE 1/4 of NW 1/4 of Section 36, T15S, R15E, SBB&M

#### MONITORING

The discharger shall submit a status report at the end of each operating season on the following:

- 1. Whether or not the plant was in operation for the current season.
- 2. Estimate of total volume of excess water discharged from the two (2) wastewater basins; and whether this excess water was used for spray irrigation and/or dust control of discharger's property.
- 3. List of proposed changes (if any) for the upcoming operating season, concerning the disposal of wastewater to/and from the said basins.
- 4. Quantity (cu.yd.) and location(s) of discharge of solids from the basins.

#### REPORTING

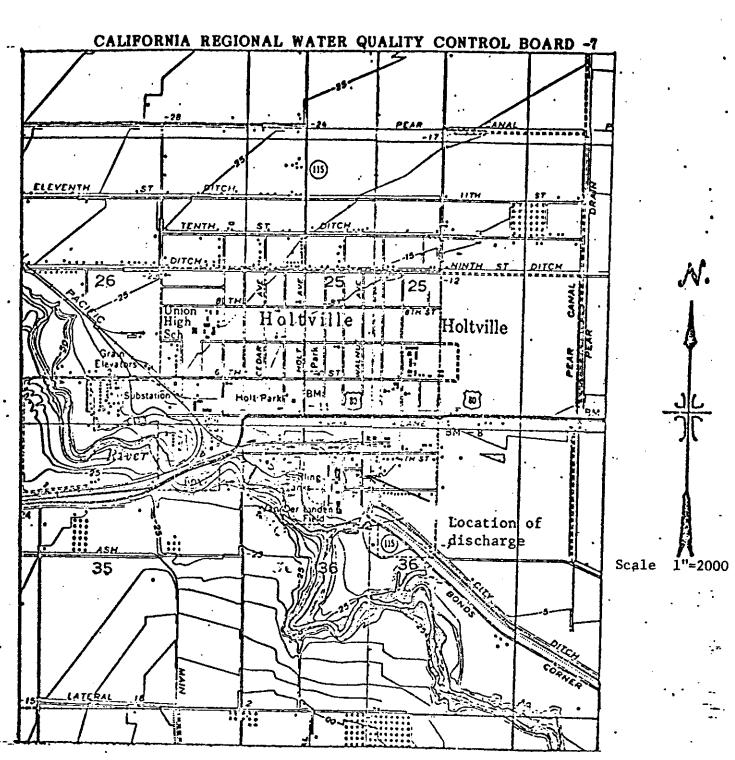
The status report for each operating season shall be signed by a duly authorized person and submitted to the Regional Board by not later than July 15 of each year.

Forward monitoring reports to:

California Regional Water Quality Control Board Colorado River Basin Region 73-271 Highway 111, Suite 21 Palm Desert, CA 92260

> ORDERED BY: <u>Allun Levajen</u> Executive Officer

January 27, 1988 Date



SITE MAP MIKE YUROSEK AND SONS, INC. - VEGETABLE WASHING PLANT Holtville, Imperial County NE<sup>1</sup>, NW<sup>1</sup>, Section 36, T15S, R15E, SBB&M USGS 7.5 Min. Topgraphic Map, Holtville Area

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