



Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

October 26, 2015

Mr. Shivaji Deshmukh
Assistant General Manager
West Basin Municipal Water District
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Dear Mr. Deshmukh:

TENTATIVE TERMINATION OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS (WDRs) AND NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) PERMIT FOR THE WEST BASIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT – TEMPORARY OCEAN WATER DESALINATION DEMONSTRATION PROJECT, REDONDO BEACH, CA. (NPDES NO. CA0064581, CI NO. 9525)

On October 7, 2010, California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region (Regional Water Board) adopted the WDRs and NPDES permit (Order No. R4-2010-0184) for West Basin Municipal Water District's Temporary Ocean Water Desalination Demonstration Project (Project). The permit authorized the discharge of seawater and reconstituted seawater using an ocean outfall located at Science, Education, & Adventure Lab (SEALab), 1201 North Harbor Drive, Redondo Beach, California.

Regional Water Board, received a letter dated August 21, 2015, from West Basin Municipal Water District which indicated that all operations at the Project ceased as of December 31, 2014 and decommissioning was underway. A site inspection by Regional Water Board staff on October 13, 2015, confirmed that all operations had ceased and decommissioning of equipment is underway, and there was no discharge of wastewater to surface water.

In accordance with administrative procedures, this Regional Water Board at a public hearing to be held on December 10, 2015, at 9:00 A.M., at Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, 700 North Alameda Street, Los Angeles, California, will consider the enclosed tentative Order, which will terminate the requirements in Order No. R4-2010-0184. The Board members will hear any testimony pertinent to this matter. It is expected that the Board will take action at the hearing; however, as testimony indicates, the Board, at its discretion, may order further investigation.

Written submissions pertaining to this tentative Order must be submitted to the Regional Water Board staff at losangeles@waterboards.ca.gov with a copy submitted to Mazhar Ali at mazhar.ali@waterboards.ca.gov no later than 5:00 p.m. on November 25, 2015, in order to be evaluated by Staff and included in the Board's agenda folder. Timely submittal of written comments is encouraged to ensure that Regional Water Board staff is able to provide timely

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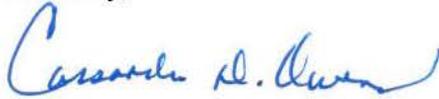
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review, and that Regional Water Board members have sufficient time to give full consideration to the comments and issues raised. The Regional Water Board chair may exclude from the record written materials received after this date. (See Cal. Code Regs., tit. 23, § 648.4.)

Should any future activities at the subject Facility result in discharges of any wastewater to surface waters, you are required to file a Report of Waste Discharge with this Regional Water Board prior to discharge.

If you have any questions, please contact Mazhar Ali at (213) 576-6652.

Sincerely,



Cassandra D. Owens, Chief
Industrial Permitting Unit (NPDES)

Enclosures

cc: **Via Email Only**

Ms. Robyn Stuber, Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9, Permits Branch (WTR-5)
Mr. Kenneth Wong, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Mr. Bryant Chesney, NOAA, National Marine Fisheries Service
Mr. Jeff Phillips, Department of Interior, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Mr. William Paznokas, Department of Fish and Game, Region 5
Ms. Sutida Bergguist, State Water Resources Control Board, Drinking Water Division
Department of Public Health, Sanitary Engineering Section
Ms. Teresa Henry, California Coastal Commission, South Coast Region
Mr. Theodore Johnson, Water Replenishment District of Southern California
Mr. Tim Smith, Los Angeles County, Department of Public Works, Waste Management
Division
Mr. Angelo Bellomo, Los Angeles County, Department of Public Health
Ms. Julie Carver, Environmental Programs Coordinator, City of Pomona
Ms. Rita Kampalath, Heal the Bay
Ms. Liz Crosson, Los Angeles WaterKeeper
Ms. Johanna Dryer, Natural Resources Defense Council
Mr. Daniel Cooper, Lawyers for Clean Water
Ms. Kristy Allen, Tetra Tech
Ms. Uzi Daniel, West Basin Municipal Water District