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July 15, 2008

Wally Grabbe, P.E. District Engineer Valley Center Municipal Water District 29300 Valley Center Road Valley Center, CA 92082

Dear Mr. Grabbe:

SUBJECT: VALLEY CENTER MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
LOWER MOOSA CANYON RECLAMATION FACILITY

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (Regional Board) has reviewed the following monitoring reports submitted by the Valley Center Municipal Water District in accordance with Monitoring and Reporting Program No. R9-1995-0032.

| Report | PERIOD | REPORT DATE | DATE RECEIVED |
|-------------------|-------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Quarterly Report | October - December 2007 | January 18, 2007 | January 30, 2008 |
| Quarterly Report | January – March 2008 | April 23, 2008 | April 30; 2008 |
| Semiannual Report | July - December 2007 | January 18, 2008 | January 30, 2008 |

The following six violations of the effluent limitations prescribed in Order No. R9-1995-0032 Discharge Specification B.1 were identified in these monitoring reports.

- 1. The 30-day average Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) limit of 20 mg/l was exceeded during the month of November 2007 with a reported value of 23.3 mg/l for the effluent.
- 2. The daily maximum BOD limit of 30 mg/l was exceeded on November 28, 2007 with a reported valve of 43.5 mg/l for the effluent.
- 3. The 30-day average total suspended solids (TSS) limit of 20 mg/L was exceeded twice: once on November 28, 2007 with a reported value oft 25.5 mg/L, and a second time on December 27, 2007 with a reported value of 32.5 mg/L.

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4. The daily maximum TSS limit of 30 mg/l was exceeded twice: on November 28, 2007 with a reported value of 67 mg/L, and on December 3, 2007 with a reported value of 92 mg/L.

The Regional Board urges the District to take adequate measures to prevent further violations of Discharge Specification B.1. Pursuant to the California Water Code, any violation of waste discharge requirements is subject to potential enforcement action(s) by the Regional Board including a time schedule order, cease and desist order, cleanup and abatement order, imposition of an administrative civil liability, referral to the district attorney for criminal prosecution, or referral to the attorney general. Administrative civil liability amounts that may be imposed by the Regional Board under authority of Water Code section 13350(c) include the sum of \$5,000 per day, and up to \$10 per gallon for each gallon of waste discharged.

Although the cited violations are not a priority for further enforcement action at this time, chronic problems in complying with Order No. R9-1995-0032 would make them so.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please contact Mr. Eric Becker at (858) 492-1785, or at Ebecker@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

/Julie Chan, R.G.

Supervising Engineering Geologist

Ground Water Branch

Violations: 773884, 774125, 774127, 774130, 774132, 774134

Enforcement: (SEL): 348733

cc : Richard D. Beath Chief Plant Operator

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