

Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

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APPROVAL OF REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN AND AMENDMENT OF CLEANUP AND ABATEMENT ORDER NO R4-2011-0046 (REVISED APRIL 30, 2015) PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA WATER CODE SECTION 13304 ORDER - FORMER KAST PROPERTY TANK FARM LOCATED SOUTHEAST OF THE INTERSECTION OF MARBELLA AVENUE AND EAST 244TH STREET, CARSON, CALIFORNIA (SCP NO. 1230, SITE ID 2040330, CAO NO. R4-2011-0046)

Dear Mr. Weimer:

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region (Regional Board) is the lead agency overseeing the environmental investigation and cleanup of the Former Kast Property Tank Farm Site (Site) under the authority of the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act (Cal. Water Code §§13000 et seq.) and other applicable laws and regulations. Pursuant to Water Code sections 13304 and 13267, the Regional Board issued Cleanup and Abatement Order No. R4-2011-0046 (CAO) on March 11, 2011, requiring Shell Oil Products US (SOPUS) on behalf of Shell Oil Company (collectively, Shell) to investigate and clean up discharges of waste in soil and groundwater at the Site. The CAO has been amended occasionally, and most recently, on April 30, 2015, the Regional Board issued a Revised CAO that identified Barclay Hollander Corporation as a responsible party. Shell and Barclay Hollander Corporation are hereafter referred to as “Discharger”. The CAO, as revised, requires the Discharger to prepare and implement a remedial action plan (RAP), that at a minimum, will achieve site-specific cleanup goals that are based on residential (i.e., unrestricted) land use and applicable water quality objectives in the Regional Board’s Water Quality Control Plan and that will comply with State Water Resources Control Board Resolutions 68-16 (“Statement of Policy with Respect to Maintaining High Quality Waters in California”, also called the “Anti-degradation Policy”) and Resolution 92-49 (“Policies and Procedures for Investigation and Cleanup and Abatement of Discharges Under Water Code Section 13304”).

In response to the CAO, Shell submitted the RAP and the companion Feasibility Study (FS) and Human Health Risk Assessment (HHRA), dated March 14, 2014. On April 28, 2014, the Regional Board directed Shell to revise the documents. Subsequently, Shell submitted a Revised RAP, Revised FS and Revised HHRA, dated June 30, 2014, and the Addendum to the Revised RAP (Addendum) dated October 15, 2014.

In compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Public Resources Code, Section 21000 et seq.), and the State CEQA Guidelines, the Regional Board prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) evaluating the potentially significant environmental impacts associated with the implementation of the RAP as modified by the Addendum, provided a 64-day public comment period (exceeding the required 45 days), and prepared a response to comments on the Draft EIR. On July 10,

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2015, the Regional Board certified the Final EIR and associated documents, and adopted a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program and a Statement of Overriding Considerations.

Concurrently with the public comment period for the Draft EIR, the Regional Board provided a 64-day public comment period (exceeding the required 30 days) on the proposed revised RAP, FS, and HHRA and Addendum consistent with California Water Code section 13307.5. The Regional Board prepared responses to comments on the revised RAP, FS, and HHRA, and Addendum, which are contained in the Response to Documents that is part of the Final EIR.

After certification of the Final EIR, the Regional Board approved the Revised RAP as modified by the Addendum with conditions and directives set forth in the enclosed amendment to Cleanup and Abatement Order R4-2011-0046, as revised,. The amended CAO includes additional directives and requires compliance with a time schedule for implementation of the RAP.

If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Teklewold Ayalew, Project Manager, at (213) 576-6739 (teklewold.ayalew@waterboards.ca.gov), or Ms. Thizar Tintut-Williams, Site Cleanup Unit III Chief, at (213) 576-6723 (thizar.williams@waterboards.ca.gov).

Sincerely,



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Executive Officer

Enclosure

Amended Cleanup and Abatement Order R4-2011-0046, as revised, dated July 10, 2015.

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