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PROPOSAL TO DISCHARGE TREATED GROUNDWATER FROM FORMER MARINE CORPS AIR STATION, EL TORO, IRP SITE 16, TO BEE CANYON WASH

Dear Mr. Gould:

This is in response to your letter of January 3, 2001, notifying us of your intention to discharge treated water from the pilot study at Site 16. Subsequent to your notification and our discussions on this issue, our attorney, Mr. Ted Cobb, and your attorney, Mr. Rex Callaway, have communicated regarding the Board's requirements for regulation of discharges to surface waters, under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES). The two attorneys have "agreed to disagree" on this matter.

As a result of this agreement to disagree, we will be sending you an authorization to discharge treated groundwater under the Regional Board's General Groundwater Cleanup Permit, Order No. 96-18. We recognize that you did not request this authorization.

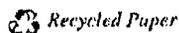
For any questions on this matter, please call me at (909) 782-4498.

Sincerely,


John Broderick
SLIC/DoD/AGT Section

cc: Mr. Ted Cobb, SWRCB, OCC
Mr. Rex Callaway, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, SWDIV
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