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April 8, 2010

In reply refer to:  
**229727:chenning**

Ms. Lori Vereker, Director of Utilities  
City of Escondido  
201 North Broadway  
Escondido, CA 92025

Dear Ms. Vereker:

**SUBJECT: STAFF ENFORCEMENT LETTER REGARDING  
REVIEW OF MONITORING REPORTS FOR THE  
HALE AVENUE RESOURCE RECOVERY FACILITY**

Six violations of Order No. 93-70 were identified during our review of the September 2009–February 2010 monthly, third and fourth quarter 2009, July–December 2009 semi-annual, and 2009 annual monitoring reports. The following summarizes the six violations:

The City of Escondido exceeded the 12-month average effluent limitation for manganese, established at 0.05 milligrams per liter (mg/L), during September 2009, October 2009, November 2009, December 2009, January 2010, and February 2010 with reported values of 0.06 mg/L, 0.056 mg/L, 0.062 mg/L, 0.062 mg/L, 0.06 mg/L, and 0.059 mg/L respectively.

As noted in your monitoring reports, high manganese levels in past months have increased the twelve-month averages calculated for the months cited above. To address these violations, we are currently preparing tentative waste discharge requirements that, if adopted, will revise the manganese limitations. We expect to release the tentative waste discharge requirements for your review shortly.

The next monitoring reports due are the first quarter 2010 and March 2010 monthly monitoring reports due April 30, 2010.

In the subject line of any response, please include the requested "in reply refer to" information located in the heading of this letter. Please contact Ms. Cathryn Henning at 858-636-3161 or at [chenning@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:chenning@waterboards.ca.gov) if you have any questions on this matter.

Sincerely,

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Regulatory Measure ID: 373646  
Violation IDs: 866029, 866030, 866033, 866034, 866035, 866041

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