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May 4, 2007

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
FOR PROPOSED CEASE AND DESIST ORDER NO. R7-2007-0059
FOR
APPLE CORE ENTERPRISES, INC.
APPLEBEE'S RESTAURANT, WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY
Town of Yucca Valley, San Bernardino County

Apple Core Enterprises Inc. (Discharger) owns and operates a wastewater treatment and disposal facility (WWTF) that provides service to the Applebee's Restaurant in San Bernardino County. The WWTF has a treatment capacity of 10,050 gallons per day (mgd) and discharges to on-site seepage pits. The discharge from the WWTF is governed by Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. R7-2006-0030, adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region (Regional Board), in June 2006.

The Discharger has been in chronic violation of effluent limitations, and has filed to submit technical reports as required by Order No. R7-2006-0030. Partially treated Wastewater from the WWTF is being discharged via the facilities seepage pits, and threaten pollution of areal groundwater. The Discharger is also in violation of monitoring and reporting provisions. The Regional Board will be considering adoption of a Cease and Desist Order (CDO) that would provide the Discharger tasks and schedules to bring discharges of waste from the WWTF in compliance with Regional Board requirements. A public hearing concerning the draft CDO will be held as follows:

Date of Hearing: June 26, 2007
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Location: La Quinta City Council Chambers

During the hearing, the public and any other person interested in this matter can provide the Regional Board with comments on this matter. Following the hearing, the Regional Board will consider whether to affirm, reject, or modify the proposed Cease and Desist Order, or take other action.

The Discharger and persons wishing to file written comments on, or objections to the proposed CDO must submit them by June 5, 2007, so that the Regional Board may consider the comments. Written comments, including copies of all technical reports, testimony, and other evidentiary material concerning this issue must be mailed to the following address:

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Colorado River Basin Region
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A copy of the CDO and supporting documents may be obtained from the Regional Board Office. Please contact Jon Rokke at (760) 346-7491 for any questions regarding this matter. Any person who is disabled and requires special accommodations to participate in this Regional Board meeting should contact Hilda Vasquez at (760) 776-8950 no later than 10 days before the scheduled public hearing.

Please bring foregoing to the attention of anyone you know may be interested in the issue.

ABDI HAILE, P.G., Division Chief

Date