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Subject: Fats, Oils, and Grease Control Program – Legal Authority to Inspect

Dear Facility Owner or Manager:

The State Water Resources Control Board Waste Discharge Requirements (WDR) Orders No. 2006-0003-DWQ and WQ 2008-0002-EXEC require the South San Luis Obispo County Sanitation District (District) and its Member Agencies (MAs), which include the City of Arroyo Grande, City of Grover Beach, and Oceano Community Services District, to prepare and implement a Fats, Oils, and Grease (FOG) Control Program to reduce the amount of FOG discharged to the sanitary sewer system, because FOG was an identified problem in the District's and MAs' sanitary sewer system.

The District adopted the FOG Ordinance, No. 2008-01, which establishes the District's legal authority to inspect, permit, and monitor food service establishments (FSEs) and require these facilities to install and maintain grease control devices, such as grease traps and interceptors.

The primary objectives of the FOG Ordinance are to:

- Prevent sanitary sewer overflows and blockages caused by FOG;
- Prevent the introduction of FOG into the District's sanitary sewer system; and
- Protect the District's sanitary sewer system, District personnel, the environment, and the public from sanitary sewer overflows and blockages caused by FOG.

To verify compliance with the FOG Ordinance, FSEs are inspected and permitted. The District inspects FOG producing facilities prior to issuing a permit and semiannually after issuing a permit, in order to ensure these facilities remain in compliance. District contract staff are authorized District representatives and perform FOG permitting and inspections in accordance with District FOG Ordinance Section 5.3.A:

The District personnel and/or other authorized representatives of the District shall have the right to enter the premises of any User to determine whether the User is complying with all requirements of this Ordinance or order issued hereunder. Users shall allow the District ready access to all parts of the premises for the purposes of inspection, sampling, records examination, and the performance of any additional duties.

A copy of the FOG Ordinance is available on the District's website at www.sslocsd.org. Please refer to the section on Source Control and then to the FOG Control Program page.

Please contact the District at (805) 489-6666 with any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "John L. Wallace". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

John L. Wallace
District Administrator