

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
SAN FRANCISCO BAY REGION

STAFF SUMMARY REPORT (Robert Schlipf)
MEETING DATE: February 8, 2006

ITEM: 6

SUBJECT: **The City and County of San Francisco, San Francisco International Airport, San Mateo County** – Hearing to Consider Mandatory Minimum Penalty (MMP) for Discharge of Partially Treated Wastewater to Waters of the State

CHRONOLOGY: Previous MMPs were assessed in September 2002

DISCUSSION: The City and County of San Francisco violated its NPDES permit's effluent limits three times during the period between April 1, 2002, and September 30, 2005. The copper violation from December 2004 is subject to an MMP for a total of \$3,000.

A malfunction with the treatment plant's pH system is believed to have caused this violation. To minimize the chances for another violation related to its pH system, plant operators now cross-check pH by performing additional monitoring during each shift. As this is an isolated incident not related to previous violations, an MMP is appropriate.

The City and County of San Francisco has signed a waiver to a hearing (Appendix B), and has made payment to the State Water Resources Control Board.

RECOMMENDATION: No action required

File Number: 2179.7033 (RS)

Appendices: A. Complaint No. R2-2005-0064
B. Signed Waiver