

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

STAFF SUMMARY REPORT (Robert Schlipf)  
MEETING DATE: June 14, 2006

ITEM: 5A

SUBJECT: **CHEVRON U.S.A. INC., CHEVRON CHEMICAL COMPANY LLC, and GENERAL CHEMICAL CORPORATION, RICHMOND REFINERY, RICHMOND, CONTRA COSTA COUNTY** - Reissuance of NPDES Permit

CHRONOLOGY: June 2001 - NPDES Permit Reissued

DISCUSSION: Chevron operates a petroleum refinery that processes 224,000 barrels per day of crude oil. This production results in a discharge of 7.6 million gallons per day of treated wastewater to San Pablo Bay.

The attached Revised Tentative Order (Appendix A) reissues the permit for Chevron. It specifies technology limits in accordance with federal regulations and water quality-based effluent limitations based on the California Toxics Rule, State Implementation Policy, and Basin Plan.

Chevron and the East Bay Municipal Utility District commented on the Tentative Order. Staff responded to these comments (Appendix C), revised the Tentative Order where appropriate, and believes that all issues have been resolved.

RECOMMENDATION: Adoption of the Revised Tentative Order

File Number: 2119.1044 (RS)

Appendices: A. Revised Tentative Order  
B. Correspondence  
C. Response to Comments