

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

11020 Sun Center Drive, #200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670-6114 *[or Fresno or Redding  
addresses*

PUBLIC HEARING  
concerning

**CONSIDERATION OF RENEWAL OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS  
(NPDES NO. CA0082309)**

for

**GWF POWER SYSTEMS, L.P.  
WILBUR AVENUE EAST POWER PLANT ANTIOCH (SITE IV)  
CONTRA COSTA COUNTY**

The GWF Power Systems, L.P., Wilbur Avenue East Power Plant (Site IV) generates up to 18.5 megawatts of net electrical power from the burning of petroleum coke as its primary fuel. Water is used for cooling purposes and also for the production of steam. GWF Power Systems, L.P. uses primarily municipal water from the City of Antioch for cooling water. The water in the cooling tower system is recycled approximately 6 to 8 times through the cooling tower before being discharged to the San Joaquin River, a water of the United States, within the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. The cooling tower blowdown results in a discharge of up to 125,000 gallons per day of wastewater. Prior to discharge, the effluent passes through a membrane filter to remove biosolids, and activated carbon filter(s) and/or ion exchange resin to remove metals from the discharge.

A public hearing concerning this matter will be held during the Regional Water Board meeting which is scheduled for:

DATE: 24/25 January 2008  
TIME: 8:30 am  
PLACE: Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board  
11020 Sun Center Drive #200  
Rancho Cordova, California 95670

The designated parties for this hearing are as follows:

- Staff of Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board
- GWF Power Systems, L.P.

Only designated parties will have these rights: to call and examine witnesses; to introduce exhibits; to cross-examine opposing witnesses; to impeach any witness; and to rebut the evidence against him or her. All other persons wishing to testify or provide comments are interested persons and not designated parties. Such interested persons may request status as a designated party for purposes of this hearing by submitting such request in writing to the Board no later than **18 January 2008**. The request must explain the basis for status as a designated party and in particular how the person is directly affected by the discharge.

Persons wishing to comment on this noticed hearing item shall submit testimony, evidence, if any, and/or comments in writing to the Regional Water Board no later than by noon on **5 December 2007**. Written evidence or comments submitted after noon on **5 December 2007** will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record if doing so would prejudice any party. All designated parties and interested persons may speak at the Regional Water Board meeting, and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral testimony and cross examination will be limited in time by the Board Chair

Anyone having questions on the Tentative Waste Discharge Requirements should contact Mr. James Marshall at (916) 464-4772. Interested parties may download the proposed Order and related documents from the Regional Water Board's Internet website at <http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/tentative/>. Copies of these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the Regional Water Board's office at 11020 Sun Center Drive, #200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670-6114, weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

The procedures governing Regional Water Board meetings may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 647 et seq. and are available upon request. Hearings before the Regional Water Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500 et seq. The procedures may be obtained by accessing [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water\\_laws/](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_laws/). Information on meeting and hearing procedures is also available on the Regional Water Board's website at [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\\_meetings/mtgprocd.html](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_meetings/mtgprocd.html) or by contacting any one of the Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839 at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.

**ORIGINAL SIGNED BY**  
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Kenneth D Landau, Assistant Executive Officer

2 November 2007