

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

11020 Sun Center Drive, Suite 200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670

**PUBLIC HEARING**

concerning

Notice of Application for Modification of Waste Discharge Requirements  
(National Pollution Discharge Elimination System Permit  
for

**AEROJET-GENERAL CORPORATION  
SACRAMENTO COUNTY**

Aerojet-General Corporation currently discharges treated groundwater from its Groundwater Extraction and Treatment (GET) Systems to Buffalo Creek, Morrison Creek and the American River in the City of Rancho Cordova. Business activities at the Aerojet facility include development of rocket propulsion systems, engineering, manufacturing and testing, and custom and specialty chemical and pharmaceutical manufacturing and related activities. The proposed modifications change the effluent limitation for trichloroethylene for the GET E/F facility from 0.8 µg/L to 1.5 µg/L. GET E/F discharges its effluent to Buffalo Creek, tributary to the American River. Buffalo Creek will still meet the Water Quality Objective for TCE of 1.7 µg/L, which is also the draft Public Health Goal. The Primary Drinking Water Standard for TCE is 5.0 µg/L. The revised effluent limitation is based on best available technology limits for the group of treatment systems present at GET E/F. The effluent limitation for TCE at the other Aerojet GET facilities is not changed.

An **informal** public hearing concerning this matter will be held during the Regional Board meeting which is scheduled for:

DATE: 5/6 February 2009  
TIME: 8:30 a.m.  
PLACE: Regional Water Quality Control Board  
11020 Sun Center Drive, Suite 200  
Rancho Cordova, California

Persons wishing to comment on this noticed informal hearing item must submit evidence, if any, or comments in writing to the Regional Board no later than **19 January 2009**. Written evidence or comments submitted after **19 January 2009** will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record if doing so would prejudice any party.

All interested persons may speak at the Board meeting, and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral testimony will be limited in time by the Board Chair.

An objection by a party, either in writing or at the time of the hearing, to the decision to hold an **informal** hearing shall be resolved by the Board Chair before going ahead under the informal procedure. Failure to make a timely objection to the use of informal hearing procedures before those procedures are used will constitute consent to an informal hearing.

Anyone having questions on proposed waste discharge requirements should contact Alexander MacDonald at (916) 464-4625. Interested parties may download the proposed Order and related documents from the Regional Board's Internet website at <http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/rwqcb5/tenative/>. If you do not have Internet access, these documents may be inspected and copied at the Regional 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. by appointment.

The procedures governing Regional Water Board meetings may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 647 et seq. and is 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.swrcb.ca.gov/water\\_laws/index.html](http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/water_laws/index.html). Information on meeting and hearing procedures is also available on the Regional Board's website at [http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/rwqcb5/board\\_meetings/mtgprocd.html](http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/rwqcb5/board_meetings/mtgprocd.html) or by contacting any one of the Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to Ms. Kiran LaFranchi-Rizzardi (916) 464-4839.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Kiran LaFranchi-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:  
JACK E. DEL CONTE, Assistant Executive Officer