

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION
415 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 100, Redding, CA 96002

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
concerning

**RENEWAL OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
(NPDES PERMIT NO. CA0004821)
AND
TIME SCHEDULE ORDER
FOR
PACTIV CORPORATION
MOLDED PULP MILL
TEHAMA COUNTY**

Pactiv Corporation (Discharger) owns and operates the Molded Pulp Mill, located at 1000 Diamond Avenue, Red Bluff, Tehama County. The Discharger may be contacted by mail at P.O. Box 1500, Red Bluff, CA 96080. The treatment system at the facility utilizes primary clarification, aeration, coagulation, and final clarification. Three settling ponds (i.e., Ponds 1 through 3) provide primary clarification, only one of which is utilized at any given time on a rotating basis. Process wastewater is fed to a settling pond until it reaches its solids holding capacity, at which time it is then rotated out of service. A fourth pond (Pond 4) is held in reserve for emergency backup. Wastewater from the settling ponds flows by gravity to an aeration stabilization pond. Coagulant is added to effluent from the aeration pond prior to being pumped to the final clarifier. Effluent from the final clarifier is combined with untreated non-contact cooling and sealing water and then discharged to the Sacramento River.

The Discharger plans to discontinue use of Ponds 1 through 3 and modify Pond 4 for wastewater treatment during this permit term. Modification of Pond 4 will entail dividing it into three ponds—two of which will be used as settling ponds and one which will be repurposed as an aeration pond.

The Discharger will not be able to immediately comply with the revised tentative NPDES permit; therefore a Time Schedule Order has been proposed for copper and zinc. The Discharger is expected to be able to immediately comply with the revised tentative NPDES permit for all other constituents, except for those included in the Time Schedule Order, if adopted.

A public hearing concerning this matter will be held during the Central Valley Water Board meeting that is scheduled for:

DATE: 8,9,10 June 2011
TIME: 8:30 a.m.
PLACE: Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board
11020 Sun Center Drive #200
Rancho Cordova, CA

The designated parties for this hearing are as follows:

- Staff of the Central Valley Water Board
- Staff of the Pactiv Corporation

Designated parties but not interested persons will have these rights: to call and examine witnesses; to cross-examine opposing witnesses; to impeach any witness; and to rebut the evidence against him or her. Central Valley Water Board staff will prepare the administrative record, and may present evidence, make an oral presentation and cross-examine opposing witnesses.

Interested persons may not cross examine witnesses, and will not be subject to cross examination. Interested persons may submit evidence (e.g., photographs, eye-witness testimony, monitoring data) if the evidence is submitted in accordance with the deadlines for submitting evidence described below. Interested persons who present evidence may be subject to cross-examination. Interested persons may request status as a designated party for purposes of this hearing by submitting such request in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than **5:00 pm on 5 May 2011**. The request must explain the basis for status as a designated party and in particular how the person is affected by the discharge.

The tentative Order was issued on 5 April 2011. Persons wishing to comment on this item must submit testimony, evidence, if any, and/or comments in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than **5:00 p.m. on 5 May 2011**. Only testimony, evidence, and/or comments regarding the tentative Order will be accepted absent a ruling by the Chair. Written materials submitted after this date and time will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record absent a ruling by the Chair. A party requesting to submit late materials must demonstrate good cause for the late submission, and the Chair must find that the late submission would not prejudice the Central Valley Water Board or any designated party.

All designated parties and interested persons may speak at the Central Valley 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. Both designated parties and interested persons may be asked to respond to clarifying questions from Central Valley Water Board members, counsel staff or others, at the discretion of the Central Valley Water Board.

Anyone having questions on the proposed Orders should contact **Greg Cash at (530) 224-3208**. Interested parties may download the proposed Orders and related documents from the Central Valley Water Board's Internet website at

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/tentative_orders/.

Copies of these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the Central Valley Water Board's office at 415 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 100, Redding, CA 96002 weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

The final meeting agenda will be available at

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_info/agendas/

at least ten days before the meeting. The agenda will provide the dates the Central Valley Water Board meeting will be held, indicate the anticipated order of agenda items, and may include staff revisions to the proposed order(s).

The procedures governing Central Valley 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 Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500 et seq. The procedures may be obtained by accessing http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws_regulations/. Information on meeting and hearing procedures is also available on the Board's website at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml 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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