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SELF-MONITORING REPORT REVIEW AND NOTICE OF VIOLATION, SCONZA CANDY COMPANY, STANISLAUS COUNTY

The discharge of wastewater by the Sconza Candy Company (Discharger) was regulated by Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) Order R5-2008-0082-015 through 30 May 2013 when it was replaced by Order R5-2013-0073-015 for limited threat discharges. The Monitoring and Reporting Program (MRP) of the WDRs required monitoring for constituents and other parameters and specified the location and frequency of monitoring. Central Valley Water Board staff has reviewed the self-monitoring reports (SMRs) submitted by the Discharger for the following monitoring periods: **Fourth Quarter 2011 through Third Quarter 2013.**

The review of the SMRs identified the following violations:

Effluent Limitation Violations

According to the SMRs, the discharge violated the effluent limitations for pH contained in the WDRs, as listed below. These violations potentially subject the Discharger to mandatory minimum penalties (MMPs). Should Board staff determine that these violations are subject to MMPs, an additional notification will be provided.

Table A Effluent Limitation Violations

Date	Parameter	Units	WDRs Limit	Measured	Period Type	CIWQS
8/7/2012	pH	S.U	6.5 -8.5	6.3	Instantaneous Minimum	960260
8/10/2012	pH	S.U	6.5 - 8.5	6.4	Instantaneous Minimum	960262
9/17/2012	pH	S.U	6.5 -8.5	6.4	Instantaneous Minimum	960263

Monitoring and Reporting Program Violations

According to the SMRs, the below MRP violations occurred:

Table B Monitoring and Reporting Violations

Date	Parameter	Units	Required monitoring frequency*	Missing Dates	CIWQS
Fourth Quarter 2011	Flow	MGD	1/Day	10/17 -10/20	960267
	pH	S.U	1/Day	10/17 and 10/19	
Third Quarter 2012	Flow	MGD	1/Day	8/6 and 9/4	960268
	pH	S.U	1/Day		
Fourth Quarter 2012	Flow	MGD	1/Day	12/3	960270
	pH	S.U	1/Day		
First Quarter 2013	Flow	MGD	1/Day	3/7 and 3/15	960272
	pH	S.U	1/Day		
Second Quarter 2013	Flow	MGD	1/Day	6/26 – 6/28	960273
	pH	S.U	1/Day		
	Total Residual Chlorine	mg/L	1/Day	4/23, 4/24, 5/13, and 6/7	
Third Quarter 2013	Flow	MGD	1/Day	7/31	960274
	pH	S.U	1/Day		

In addition, Central Valley Water Board staff has the following comments from review of SMRs:

Comments regarding the SMRs

1. During the 2012 and 2013 annual chronic toxicity monitoring period the effluent discharge did not exhibit chronic toxicity, however, the receiving water exhibited toxicity for the fathead minnow test species.
2. On several occasion, the Discharger reported a high total chlorine residual in the effluent. However, the Discharger also provided the effluent bisulfite readings verifying that there was no residual chlorine present in the effluent.

In your next monthly SMR submittal, please address the violations cited above and indicate in the SMR cover letter the actions that have been implemented, or will be implemented to prevent future similar violations. The cover letter may also include a discussion of any uncommon or unusual circumstances that resulted in a violation and which may suggest that reoccurrence of violations would be unlikely. If you disagree with any of the violations cited above, please provide an explanation and any supporting information necessary.

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