

**CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
LOS ANGELES REGION**

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TSO No. R4-2015-XXXX

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED ISSUANCE OF
TIME SCHEDULE ORDER (TSO) FOR
WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
(National Pollutant Discharges Elimination System (NPDES) Permit)**

DISCHARGER	DISCHARGE LOCATION	RECEIVING WATER
El Segundo Power, LLC (El Segundo Generating Station)	301 Vista Del Mar El Segundo, California	Pacific Ocean

El Segundo Power, LLC (hereinafter, Discharger) discharges up to 200.08 million gallons per day (MGD) of once-through cooling water (OTC), storm water, and low volume wastewaters from the El Segundo Generating Station (hereinafter, Facility) to the Pacific Ocean, a water of the United States. The discharge is regulated under waste discharge requirements contained in Order No. R4-2015-0029, adopted by this Regional Water Board on February 12, 2015. This Order becomes effective on April 1, 2015. Order No. R4-2015-0029 serves as a permit under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES No. CA0001147).

On February 11, 2015, the Discharger submitted a written request for additional time – up to July 1, 2015, to identify, design and install appropriate pH monitoring, controls and associated treatment to ensure the pH of the retention basin discharge meets the new pH limitation. The Discharger indicated that the pH in the retention basin discharge may exceed the pH maximum limit of 9.0 based on limited field measurements. In Order No. 00-084, which is currently in effect, the retention basin discharge has no pH limitation and there is no automated pH monitoring or controls. In order to comply with the pH limitation in the retention basin discharge, the Discharger will evaluate chemical addition options that could include a treatment skid and automated pumps and valves to manage flow as well as other non-chemical addition options. The Discharger has requested a three-month period from April 1, 2015 to July 1, 2015 to complete these evaluations.

On the basis of a preliminary staff review and the application of lawful standards and regulations, the Executive Officer, pursuant to his delegated authority from the Regional Water Board, proposes a tentative TSO that will extend the compliance date for the pH limitation in the retention basin discharge from April 1, 2015, to July 1, 2015. All other provisions of Order No. R4-2015-0029 not in conflict with the tentative TSO become effective on April 1, 2015.

Please be advised that the Executive Officer intends to issue the TSO without a public hearing. Because interested persons may not have an opportunity to make oral comments, interested persons must submit all comments in writing as described below. The Executive Officer will consider all timely written comments prior to administratively issuing the TSO.

WRITTEN COMMENTS AND SUBMITTAL OF EVIDENCE

Persons wishing to comment on and/or submit evidence regarding the tentative TSO for the Executive Officer to consider must submit written comments. Written comments must be **received** by the Regional Water Board by 5:00 pm. on March 30, 2015. Interested persons are encouraged, but not required, to submit their comments electronically in either a Word or Portable Document File (PDF) to Jau Ren Chen at JauRen.Chen@waterboards.ca.gov and to losangeles@waterboards.ca.gov. Written comments may also be sent to:

Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board
Attention: Jau Ren Chen
320 West 4th Street, Suite 200
Los Angeles, CA 90013

Untimely written comments will not be considered nor responded to. Failure to submit timely written comments is also grounds for the Regional Water Board to refuse to admit the proposed written comment or exhibit into evidence pursuant to section 648.4, title 23 of the California Code of Regulations.

AVAILABILITY OF DOCUMENTS

The Tentative TSO, documents relied upon, comments received, and other information on file are available for inspection and copying between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. by appointment at the following address:

Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board
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Arrangements for file review and/or obtaining copies of the documents may be made by calling the Regional Water Board at (213) 576-6600.

STAFF CONTACTS

If you have any question regarding this proposed action, please contact Jau Ren Chen at (213) 576-6656 or via email at JauRen.Chen@waterboards.ca.gov.

Date: February 27, 2015