

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
SAN FRANCISCO BAY REGION

ORDER NO. 85-114

NPDES PERMIT NO. CA0028894

WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR:

MICRO AUTOMATION
FREMONT FACILITY
FREMONT, ALAMEDA COUNTY

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region, (hereinafter called the Board) finds that:

1. Micro Automation, hereinafter called the discharger, by application dated May 7, 1985, has applied for issuance of waste discharge requirements and a permit to discharge waste under the National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES).
2. The discharger proposes to discharge approximately 1200 gallons per day of industrial wastewater containing pollutants into a storm sewer that discharges into Coyote Creek, a water of the United States. The wastewater is generated at a quality control process used for the testing of microchip saws at which the water is used as a lubricant for the cutting process. No organic solvents are used in, or near, the process area where the waste stream is generated. All sanitary waste and process waste from the discharger's pre-treatment system are discharged to the sanitary sewer.
3. The Regional Board adopted a revised Water Quality Control Plan for the San Francisco Bay Region (Basin Plan) on July 21, 1982. The Basin Plan contains water quality objectives for Coyote Creek and contiguous waters.
4. The beneficial uses of Coyote Creek and contiguous water bodies are:
 - Water contact recreation
 - Non-contact water recreation
 - Wildlife Habitat
 - Marine, estuarine, warm fresh, and cold fresh, water habitat
 - Fish migration and spawning
 - Industrial service and process supply
 - Municipal and Domestic supply
 - Agriculture supply
 - Groundwater supply
 - Fresh water replenishment

5. The Basin Plan prohibits the discharge of any wastewater which has particular characteristics of concern to beneficial uses at any point at which the wastewater does not receive a minimum initial dilution of 10:1. The Board finds that the discharge does not have particular characteristics of concern, provided the discharge limitations contained in this Order are met.
6. Effluent limitation, toxic effluent standards, established pursuant to Section 301, 304, and 307 of the Clean Water Act and amendments thereto are applicable to the discharge.
7. Effluent limitation guidelines requiring the application of best available technology economically achievable (BAT) for this point source category have not been promulgated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Effluent limitations of this Order are based on the Basin Plan, State Plans and policies, current plant performance, and best engineering judgment. The limitations are considered to be those attainable by BAT, in the judgment of the Board.
8. The issuance of waste discharge requirements for this discharge is exempt from the provisions of Chapter 3 (commencing with Section 21000 of Division 13) of the Public Resources Code (CEQA) pursuant to Section 13389 of the California Water Code.
9. The Board has notified the discharger and interested agencies and persons of its intent to prescribe waste discharge requirements for the discharge and has provided them with an opportunity for a public hearing and an opportunity to submit their written views and recommendations.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT MICRO AUTOMATION in order to meet the provisions contained in Division 7 of the California Water Code and regulations adopted thereunder, and the provisions of the Clean Water Act and regulations and guidelines adopted thereunder, shall comply with the following:

A. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS

1. The discharge of an effluent into the storm sewer in excess of the following limits is prohibited:

CONSTITUENT	UNITS	MONTHLY AVERAGE	DAILY MAXIMUM
Suspended solids	mg/l	20	30
Oil and grease	mg/l	5	10
Zinc	mg/l	0.4	0.9
Lead	mg/l	0.05	0.10
Total Identifiable Chlorinated Hydrocarbons	mg/l	0.002	0.004

2. The pH of the discharge shall not exceed 8.5 nor be less than 6.5.
3. In any representative set of samples, the waste as discharged shall meet the following limit of quality:

TOXICITY: The survival of test fishes in 96 hour bioassays of the effluent as discharged shall be a median of 90% survival and a 90 percentile value of not less than 70% survival.

B. RECEIVING WATER LIMITATIONS

1. The discharge of waste shall not cause the following conditions to exist in waters of the State at any place:
 - a. Floating, suspended, or deposited macroscopic particulate matter or foam;
 - b. Bottom deposits or aquatic growths;
 - c. Alteration of temperature, turbidity, or apparent color beyond present background levels;
 - d. Visible, floating, suspended, or deposited oil or other products of petroleum origin;
 - e. Toxic or other deleterious substances to be present in concentrations or quantities which will cause deleterious effects on aquatic biota, wildlife, or waterfowl, or which render any of these unfit for human consumption either at levels created in the receiving waters or as a result of biological concentration.

2. The discharge of waste shall not cause the following limits to be exceeded in waters of the State in any place within one foot of the water surface:
 - a. Dissolved oxygen 5.0 mg/l minimum. Median of any three consecutive months shall not be less than 80% saturation. When natural factors cause lesser concentrations than those specified above, then this discharge shall not cause further reduction in the concentration of dissolved oxygen.

 - b. pH Variation from natural ambient pH by more than 0.5 pH units.

3. The discharge shall not cause a violation of any applicable water quality standard for receiving waters adopted by the Board or the State Water Resources Control Board as required by the Clean Water Act and regulations adopted thereunder. If more stringent applicable water quality standards are promulgated or approved pursuant to Section 303 of the Clean Water Act, or amendments thereto, the Board will revise and modify this Order in accordance with such more stringent standards.

C. PROVISIONS

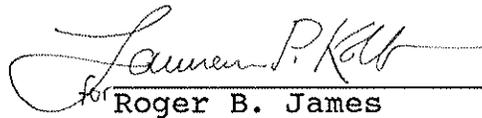
1. Where concentration limitations in mg/l are contained in this permit, the following mass emission limitations shall also apply as follows:

Mass Emission Limit in (lbs./day, kg/day) =
Concentration Limit in mg/l x (8.34, 3.79) x Actual Flow
in mgd averaged over the time interval to which the
limit applies.

2. The discharger shall comply with all sections of this Order immediately upon commencement of discharge operations.
3. The discharger shall submit a Spill Control and Contingency Plan pursuant to this Board's Resolution No. 74-10 by January 1, 1986.
4. The discharger shall review and update annually its contingency plan as required by Board Resolution No. 74-10. The discharge of pollutants in violation of this Order where the discharger failed to develop and/or implement a contingency plan will be basis for considering such discharge a willful and negligent violation of this Order pursuant to Section 13387 of the California Water Code.
5. The discharger shall comply with the self-monitoring program as adopted by the Board and as may be amended by the Executive Officer.
6. The discharger shall comply with all items of the attached "Standard Provisions, Reporting Requirements and Definitions" dated April 1977, except items A.5, A.12, B.2, B.3, and B.5.
7. All applications, reports, or information submitted to the Regional Board shall be signed and certified pursuant to Environmental Protection Agency regulations (40 CFR 122.41K).
8. Pursuant to Environmental Protection Agency regulations (40 CFR 122.42[a]) the Discharger must notify the Regional Board as soon as it knows or has reason to believe (1) that they have begun or expect to begin, use or manufacture of a pollutant not reported in the permit application, or (2) a discharge of toxic pollutants not limited by this permit has occurred, or will occur, in concentrations that exceed the specified limits.

9. This Order expires October 16, 1990. The discharger must file a report of waste discharge in accordance with Title 23, Chapter 3, Subchapter 9 of the California Water Code not later than 180 days in advance of such expiration date as application for issuance of new waste discharge requirements.
10. This Order shall serve as a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit pursuant to Section 402 of the Clean Water Act or amendments thereto, and shall become effective 10 days after date of its adoption provided the Regional Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, has no objection. If the Regional Administrator objects to its issuance, the permit shall not become effective until such objection is withdrawn.

I, Roger B. James, Executive Officer do hereby certify the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of an Order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region on October 16, 1985.


for Roger B. James
Executive Officer

Attachments:

Standard provisions & Reporting Requirements, April 1977
Self Monitoring Program, Part A dated January 1978 and Part B
Resolution 74-10

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD

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SELF-MONITORING PROGRAM
FOR

MICRO AUTOMATION
FREMONT FACILITY
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CONSISTS OF

PART A, Dated January 1978

AND

PART B

PART B

I. DESCRIPTION OF SAMPLING STATIONS

A. EFFLUENT

Station	Description
E-001	At any point in the outfall from the from the plant between the point of discharge into the storm sewer and the point at which all waste tributary to that outfall is present.

II. SCHEDULE OF SAMPLING, MEASUREMENT, AND ANALYSES

The schedule of sampling, measurements, and analyses shall be given as Table I.

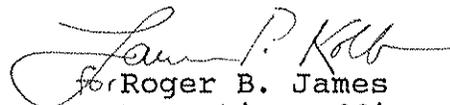
III. MODIFICATIONS OF PART A, DATED JANUARY 1978

A. Exclusions: Sections C.5.d, C.5.e, and E.4.

B. Modifications: Section F.3 shall be modified as follows: " Written reports shall be submitted quarterly on January 15, April 15, July 15, and October 15."

I, Roger B. James, Executive Officer, do hereby certify that the foregoing Self-Monitoring Program:

1. Has been developed in accordance with the procedure set forth in this Regional Bopard's Resolution 73-16 in order to obtain data and document compliance with waste discharge requirements established in Regional Board Order No. 85-114.
2. Is effective on the date shown below.
3. May be reviewed at any time subsequent to the effective date upon written notice from the Executive Officer or request from the discharger, and revisions will be ordered by the Executive Officer.


for Roger B. James
Executive Officer

Effective Date: 10/24/85

Attachment: Table I

TABLE I (continued)
SCHEDULE FOR SAMPLING, MEASUREMENTS, AND ANALYSIS

Sampling Station	E-001												
TYPE OF SAMPLE	G	C-24											
Mercury (mg/l & kg/day)													
Nickel (mg/l & kg/day)													
Zinc (mg/l & kg/day)	Q												
PHENOLIC COMPOUNDS (mg/l & kg/day)													
All Applicable Standard Observations	M												
Bottom Sediment Analyses and Observations													
Total Identifiable Chlorinated Hydrocarbons (mg/l & kg/day)	Q												
Aluminum	Q												

LEGEND FOR TABLE

TYPES OF SAMPLES

- G = grab sample
- C-24 = composite sample - 24-hour
- C-X = composite sample - X hours
(used when discharge does not
continue for 24-hour period)
- Cont = continuous sampling
- DI = depth-integrated sample
- BS = bottom sediment sample
- O = observation

TYPES OF STATIONS

- I = intake and/or water supply stations
- A = treatment facility influent stations
- E = waste effluent stations
- C = receiving water stations
- P = treatment facilities perimeter stations
- L = basin and/or pond levee stations
- B = bottom sediment stations
- G = groundwater stations

FREQUENCY OF SAMPLING

- E = each occurrence
- H = once each hour
- D = once each day
- W = once each week
- M = once each month
- Y = once each year

- 2/H = twice per hour
- 2/W = 2 days per week
- 5/W = 5 days per week
- 2/M = 2 days per month
- 2/Y = once in March and
once in September
- Q = quarterly, once in
March, June, Sept.
and December

- 2H = every 2 hours
- 2D = every 2 days
- 2W = every 2 weeks
- 3M = every 3 months
- Cont = continuous