CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
SAN FRANCISCO BAY REGION

ORDER No. R2-2014-0032

RESCISSION OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS for:

DISCHARGE OR REUSE OF EXTRACTED AND TREATED GROUNDWATER RESULTING FROM THE CLEANUP OF GROUNDWATER POLLUTED BY VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS

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

1. On August 12, 2009, the Water Board adopted Order No. R2-2009-0059 reissuing National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit No. CAG912003 for the discharge or reuse of extracted and treated groundwater resulting from the cleanup of groundwater polluted by volatile organic compounds or VOCs (hereinafter "VOC General Permit").

2. On February 12, 2012, the Water Board adopted Order No. R2-2012-0012 reissuing NPDES Permit No. CAG912002 for the discharge or reuse of extracted or treated groundwater from the cleanup of groundwater polluted by fuel leaks and other related wastes and expanded it to include groundwater polluted by VOCs (hereinafter "VOC/Fuel General Permit"). The Water Board stated in the VOC/Fuel General Permit its intent to not reissue the VOC General Permit expiring on September 30, 2014, and directed VOC General Permit dischargers who needed continued coverage to seek coverage under the VOC/Fuel General Permit.

3. Since 2012, all VOC General Permit dischargers have terminated their discharges or have been approved for coverage under the VOC/Fuels General Permit. Therefore, the VOC General Permit is no longer necessary and can be rescinded.

4. Pursuant to section 15061 (b)(3) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines (section 15000 et seq of title 14 of the California Code of Regulations), this rescission is exempt from the provisions of CEQA because it will not have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment, because it will result in a cessation of discharges authorized by the VOC General Permit.

5. The Water Board notified interested persons of its intent to rescind the waste discharge requirements and provided an opportunity to submit written comments and participate in a public hearing.

6. The Water Board, in a public meeting, heard and considered comments pertaining to the rescission of the waste discharge requirements.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, pursuant to the Clean Water Act and division 7 of the Water Code and the regulations, plans, and policies adopted thereunder, that effective on the date of adoption of this order, Order No. R2-2009-0059 (NPDES Permit No. CAG912003) is hereby rescinded, except for enforcement purposes.

I, Bruce H. Wolfe, 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 Region, on September 10, 2014.

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