The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, (hereafter referred to as “Central Valley Water Board”) finds that:

1. The City of Colusa (Discharger) owns and operates a wastewater treatment plant. The Discharger was previously regulated under Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) Order R5-2002-0020 and, as of 5 December 2008, effective 24 January 2009, is regulated under WDRs Order R5-2008-0184 (NPDES No. CA0078999).

2. On 1 March 2002, the Central Valley Water Board adopted Cease and Desist Order (CDO) R5-2002-0021 for the City of Colusa Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP). The CDO provided a timeline and required full compliance with the aluminum and ammonia effluent limitations in the WDRs.

3. On 22 June 2007, the Central Valley Water Board issued Time Schedule Order (TSO) R5-2007-0074. The TSO provided a timeline requiring full compliance with effluent limitations for aluminum, ammonia, biochemical oxygen demand, copper, total coliform organisms, and total suspended solids. It further required that wastewater be oxidized, coagulated, and filtered or equivalent treatment after 31 January 2007.

4. On 20 October 2008, the Discharger submitted documentation that it had spent an estimated $15,500,000 to construct a new wastewater treatment plant to comply with the effluent limitations in the WDRs as required by the CDO and TSO. As of June 2010, the Discharger has achieved compliance by completing the tasks in Orders R5-2002-0021 and R5-2007-0074 and fully complying with the effluent limitations in the WDRs.

5. The Central Valley Water Board has notified the Discharger and interested agencies and persons of its intent to rescind Orders R5-2002-0021 and R5-2007-0074, and has provided them with an opportunity for a public hearing and an opportunity for them to submit their written views and recommendations.

6. Issuance of this Order is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code section 21000 et seq.), in accordance with California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15321(a) (2).
7. The Central Valley Water Board, in a public meeting, heard and considered all comments and evidence pertaining to this matter.

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that Cease and Desist Order R5-2002-0021 and Time Schedule Order R5-2007-0074 are rescinded.

I, PAMELA C. CREEDON, 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, Central Valley Region, on 7 December 2012.

*Original signed by*

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PAMELA C. CREEDON, Executive Officer