

Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

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NOTICE OF TERMINATION OF COVERAGE UNDER STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD WATER QUALITY ORDER NO. 2014-0153-DWQ, GENERAL WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR SMALL DOMESTIC WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEMS; AERA ENERGY, LLC, AERA WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY (2014-0153-DWQ-R5230); KERN COUNTY

On 2 June 2017, the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) issued Aera Energy, LLC (Discharger) Notice of Applicability (NOA) 2014-0153-DWQ-R5230 for coverage under Water Quality Order 2014-0153-DWQ, *General Waste Discharge Requirements for Small Domestic Wastewater Treatment Systems* (General Order) for discharges of domestic wastewater from the Aera Wastewater Treatment Facility (WWTF) in Kern County. The NOA also included Monitoring and Reporting Program (MRP) 2014-0153-DWQ-R5230.

On 4 June 2025, the Discharger submitted a letter requesting termination of the NOA. According to the Discharger's letter, there is no longer a wastewater source since the housing community and school, which the WWTF served, are no longer in use. On 9 June 2025, Central Valley Water Board staff conducted an inspection to confirm whether termination of the NOA is appropriate and evaluate the need for further Facility closure requirements. During the inspection, representatives of the Discharger stated effluent had not been discharged to the treatment pond since 2021; however, the headworks had not been capped to allow fresh water to periodically be circulated through the system. Central Valley Water Board staff determined that the WWTF was eligible for NOA termination once the headworks were capped. On 17 June 2025, the Discharger provided photographs documenting that the headworks had been capped.

As the date of this letter, the WWTF's coverage under the General Order (i.e., NOA 2014-0153-DWQ-R5230) and the associated MRP are terminated.

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WWTF Notice of Termination
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If you have any questions, please contact Virat Kang by phone at (559) 488-4345 or by email at Virat.Kang@waterboards.ca.gov.

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Enclosure:

- 9 June 2025 Inspection Report

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- Christopher Moskal, State Water Resources Control Board, OCC (via email)
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