The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region (hereafter Central Valley Water Board) finds that:

1. Sutter Home Winery (hereafter Discharger) submitted a Report of Waste Discharge (RWD) dated 31 October 2008 for treatment and land application of wastewater generated at its wine processing and storage facility. The RWD includes information on plans to begin crushing and fermenting wine at the facility. The Discharger submitted additional information on 27 February 2009 and 27 May 2009.

2. Order No. R5-2002-0034, adopted by the Central Valley Water Board on 1 March 2002, prescribes requirements for the Discharger’s facility. This Order is neither adequate nor consistent with the current plans and policies of the Central Valley Water Board, nor with the Discharger’s current operational plans.

3. The facility is located at 18667 Jacob Brack Road, Lodi in San Joaquin County. The winery and associated Land Application Areas (LAAs) comprise approximately 297 acres (Assessor’s Parcel Nos. 011-15-12, 011-15-23, 011-09-03, and 011-09-14) in Section 34 and 35, T4N, R5E, MDB&M. The location of the facility is shown on Attachment A, which is attached hereto and is made part of this Order by reference.

4. The Discharger owns the property where the facility is located. The facility was constructed in 1998. Current activities at the winery include receiving and shipping grape juice or wine and distribution in bulk containers. Neither crushing nor bottling currently occurs at the facility. Wastewater is generated during tank, piping, equipment, and floor cleaning activities. Wastewater is also generated when stormwater falls on tank farms and mixes with wastewater.

5. Sutter Home currently operates the facility as a non-distilling, non-crushing, non-fermenting wine storage facility; activities include receiving and shipping wine and distribution in bulk containers. Fermented wine is transported to the facility for fining, stabilization, and storage. Currently, slightly more than 20 million gallons of stainless steel storage capacity exists.

6. Past land use at the facility, and historic and current use of the surrounding area appear to have impacted shallow groundwater quality. In addition, surface water features exist at the north and south property lines, and an abandoned irrigation canal historically bisected the property. The surface water features have the potential to impact groundwater quality both negatively and positively. Additional information on the quality of water in the surface water features is needed and required by this Order.
FACILITY CHANGES

7. The Discharger is proposing an expansion at the winery that will change the quantity and quality of the wastewater generated. The following expansion is planned:
   a. The Phase 1 expansion will allow the Discharger to crush approximately 50,000 tons of grapes per year to make 10,000,000 gallons of wine. The expansion will include new wine processing equipment, new storage and fermentation tanks, additional wastewater system equipment, two new synthetically lined wastewater ponds, and new Land Application Areas (LAA). In Phase 1, the facility will continue to receive an additional 9,000,000 gallons of bulk wine per year. The existing wastewater ponds will be decommissioned and will no longer be used to store wastewater.
   b. The Phase 2 expansion will increase the production capacity of the facility and will provide the capacity to crush 100,000 tons of grapes per year. A third pond will be constructed as part of Phase 2. The Phase 2 expansion will occur on an as-needed basis, approximately 5 to 10 years after completion of Phase 1. The Phase 2 expansion is not authorized by this Order.

8. The Discharger plans to begin grape crushing at the facility in 2009. As part of the crushing operation, grapes will be crushed, fermented, pressed and filtered, stabilized (without the use of ion exchange columns), stored in refrigerated units, and hauled to other facilities for bottling. Finished wine from other facilities will continue to be transported to the facility for storage.

9. New presses and filters will be added to facilitate processing of must (the juice pressed from grapes before fermentation). Spent Diatomaceous Earth (DE), (from the filtration of wine), and pomace (the crushed pulp of grapes) will be stored on a concrete pad (Pomace/DE Pad) equipped with a drain to return liquids to the wastewater system. The location of the Pomace/DE Pad is presented on Attachment B, which is attached hereto and is made part of this Order by reference.

10. A summary of the existing tanks is presented below:

<table>
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<th>Size (gal)</th>
<th>Use</th>
<th>Number</th>
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<tr>
<td>2,500</td>
<td>Ferment/Storage</td>
<td>10</td>
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<tr>
<td>5,000</td>
<td>Ferment/Storage</td>
<td>10</td>
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<tr>
<td>10,000</td>
<td>Ferment/Storage</td>
<td>10</td>
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<td>15,000</td>
<td>Ferment/Storage</td>
<td>6</td>
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<td>26,091</td>
<td>Ferment/Storage</td>
<td>24</td>
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<td>51,242</td>
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<td>52</td>
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<td>100,350</td>
<td>Ferment/Storage</td>
<td>60</td>
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<td>202,368</td>
<td>Ferment/Storage</td>
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<tr>
<td>363,879</td>
<td>Ferment/Storage</td>
<td>23</td>
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<tr>
<td>51,869</td>
<td>Ferment</td>
<td>18</td>
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<tr>
<td>21,308,043</td>
<td>Totals</td>
<td>225</td>
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11. The Discharger is expanding the LAAs. Two new synthetically lined wastewater ponds have been constructed to treat wastewater prior to land application. The total active
cropped LAA acreage will be 107.5 acres. An additional 79 acres of land can be developed in the future as LAA and will be available to use once it has been configured to comply with the requirements of this Order.

WASTEWATER SYSTEM

12. Currently, wastewater is collected in a gravity drain system, collected in concrete lined sumps, and pumped to the wastewater treatment ponds (Ponds A and B, previously identified as Ponds No. 1 and 2 in Order No. R5-2002-0034) which are equipped with mechanical aerators. The location of Ponds A and B is presented on Attachment B. Treated wastewater is applied to the 15.5 acre LAA.

13. Stormwater that mixes with wastewater is discharged to the wastewater system. Uncontaminated stormwater is discharged to the stormwater pond.

14. In the expanded wastewater treatment system, wastewater will continue to be collected in a gravity drain system and stormwater can be diverted if uncontaminated. The expanded wastewater system will include the following components:
   a. Screening will be improved. Existing screens will continue to be used and some floor drain screens will be equipped with finer screens.
   b. The gravity collection system will be expanded into newly developed areas. New collection sumps will be constructed.
   c. Additional solids removal will be performed using rotary drum screens to remove large solids from entering the wastewater ponds. Solids from the screens will be managed as pomace.
   d. Two new double lined facultative wastewater ponds (Ponds No. 1 and 2) have been constructed. The location of Ponds No. 1 and 2 is presented on Attachment B. The ponds will provide approximately 8.7 million gallons (Mgal) of treatment and storage capacity and are equipped with mechanical aerators. A meter will measure the outflow of treated wastewater to the LAAs.
   e. The available LAA acreage will be increased from 15.5 acres to 107.5 active acres with an additional 79 acres available for use. The expanded LAA is described in the Land Application Area section of this Order.

15. When grape crushing is initiated at the facility in 2009, wastewater and stormwater/wastewater mixtures will continue to be piped to the wastewater sumps. Attachment C, which is attached hereto and made part of this Order by reference, presents a flow diagram that identifies the various wastewater streams.

16. Because the winery has not begun crushing grapes, wastewater generation rates were estimated from another winery that the Discharger owns and operates in St. Helena, Napa County. The following estimates are provided:
   a. Because activities at the facility will be similar to the St. Helena winery, wastewater generation rates per ton of grape crushed at St. Helena were used to estimate wastewater generation rates for the expanded facility in Lodi. The RWD estimates a wastewater generation rate of 2.7 gallons of wastewater per gallon of wine manufactured. Wastewater generation associated with the 50,000 tons of grapes crushed is estimated to be 25.7 Mgal/year.
b. Wastewater will continue to be generated in the bulk wine storage activities. The wastewater generation rate for that activity is estimated to be 0.3 gallons of wastewater per gallon of wine processed at the facility. Wastewater generation associated with the wine storage activities is estimated to be 2.7 Mgal/year. (Note: the total wastewater estimate is 25.7+2.7= 28.4 Mgal as shown below.)

c. Stormwater that falls on a portion of the facility will be comingle with the wastewater. The RWD estimates a catchment of 80,000 ft². The RWD estimates 860,000 gallons of stormwater will be added in a normal rainfall year and 1,630,000 gallons will be added in a 100-year return annual year.

d. The RWD estimates the distribution of the wastewater and stormwater generation rates. The crush season is typically from August through November. Review of the data presented below indicates the highest flow rates occur in that time period.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Month</th>
<th>Units</th>
<th>Monthly Flow</th>
<th>Stormwater</th>
<th>100-year Stormwater</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>January</td>
<td>million gallons</td>
<td>2.6</td>
<td>0.17</td>
<td>0.33</td>
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<tr>
<td>February</td>
<td>million gallons</td>
<td>2.6</td>
<td>0.15</td>
<td>0.27</td>
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<td>March</td>
<td>million gallons</td>
<td>2.8</td>
<td>0.14</td>
<td>0.26</td>
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<td>April</td>
<td>million gallons</td>
<td>2.0</td>
<td>0.06</td>
<td>0.12</td>
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<td>May</td>
<td>million gallons</td>
<td>1.3</td>
<td>0.03</td>
<td>0.06</td>
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<tr>
<td>June</td>
<td>million gallons</td>
<td>1.3</td>
<td>0.01</td>
<td>0.01</td>
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<td>July</td>
<td>million gallons</td>
<td>1.4</td>
<td>0.00</td>
<td>0.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>August</td>
<td>million gallons</td>
<td>2.4</td>
<td>0.00</td>
<td>0.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>September</td>
<td>million gallons</td>
<td>3.5</td>
<td>0.01</td>
<td>0.03</td>
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<tr>
<td>October</td>
<td>million gallons</td>
<td>3.7</td>
<td>0.04</td>
<td>0.08</td>
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<tr>
<td>November</td>
<td>million gallons</td>
<td>2.4</td>
<td>0.10</td>
<td>0.18</td>
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<tr>
<td>December</td>
<td>million gallons</td>
<td>2.4</td>
<td>0.15</td>
<td>0.28</td>
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<tr>
<td>Total</td>
<td>million gallons</td>
<td>28.4</td>
<td>0.86</td>
<td>1.63</td>
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17. Average flow rates from the winery facility (to the wastewater ponds) were calculated for the years 2006 through 2008. The data are presented below:

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<tr>
<th>Parameter</th>
<th>Units</th>
<th>2006</th>
<th>2007</th>
<th>2008</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Flow Rate from Winery</td>
<td>gal/month</td>
<td>289,132</td>
<td>273,700</td>
<td>407,916</td>
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18. Wastewater quality has been monitored at the facility since 2002. A summary of the annual average treated wastewater data (after treatment in the ponds but prior to land application) is presented below.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Analyte/Parameter</th>
<th>Units</th>
<th>2006</th>
<th>2007</th>
<th>2008</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Total Dissolved Solids</td>
<td>mg/L</td>
<td>2,617</td>
<td>2,909</td>
<td>3,094</td>
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<tr>
<td>Total Sulfate</td>
<td>mg/L</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>3.1</td>
<td>1.9</td>
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<tr>
<td>Nitrate as N</td>
<td>mg/L</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>18.3</td>
<td>8.8</td>
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<tr>
<td>Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen</td>
<td>mg/L</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>38</td>
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<tr>
<td>Biochemical Oxygen Demand</td>
<td>mg/L</td>
<td>588</td>
<td>727</td>
<td>904</td>
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</table>
In 2008, the Discharger discovered errors in the analytical data that overstate the concentration of TDS in the samples. Because operation of the expanded facility will emphasize source control, the Discharger believes the historic data do not represent future wastewater quality.

19. The Discharger will use a number of chemicals in the wine-making, processing, cleaning, and sanitation processes at the facility. The future chemicals and quantities to be used at the facility in Phase 1 are identified below:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Chemical</th>
<th>Areas Used</th>
<th>Used For</th>
<th>Annual Usage</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Potassium Hydroxide</td>
<td>Cellar</td>
<td>Tanks, piping, and equipment cleaning</td>
<td>64,300 pounds</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ammonia</td>
<td>Cellar</td>
<td>Closed-circuit refrigeration</td>
<td>50,000 pounds</td>
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<tr>
<td>Nitrogen</td>
<td>Cellar</td>
<td>Prevent oxidation of wine in tanks.</td>
<td>3,000 pounds</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Peracetic Acid</td>
<td>Cellar</td>
<td>Tanks, piping, and equipment cleaning</td>
<td>3,860 gallons</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Potassium Metabisulfite</td>
<td>Cellar</td>
<td>Wine Making</td>
<td>14,500 pounds</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Calcium Hypochlorite (65%)</td>
<td>Cellar</td>
<td>Floor Cleaning</td>
<td>12,000 pounds</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Zinc</td>
<td>Condensing Towers</td>
<td>Corrosion Control</td>
<td>&lt; 10 pounds</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Iodine</td>
<td>Condensing Towers</td>
<td>Biocide</td>
<td>&lt; 10 pounds</td>
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</table>

**SOURCE CONTROL**

20. Future wastewater quality at the Sutter Home Lodi winery has been estimated based on wastewater quality observed at the St. Helena winery, which has similar operations. After implementing the source control measures developed at St. Helena, and employing the Lodi facility supply water FDS value in calculations, the Discharger anticipates a wastewater FDS value of 730 mg/L. That represents an increase of 500 mg/L over the supply water. The value will increase, or decrease, depending upon evapoconcentration or stormwater dilution effects in the wastewater ponds. The RWD describes the following Best Practicable Treatment and Control (BPTC) measures that have been incorporated into the design of the facility:

a. Replacement of chemicals with more environmentally acceptable substitutes:

   i. Replacement of sodium hydroxide with potassium hydroxide. Using a potassium-based cleaner rather than a sodium-based cleaner can reduce the amount of FDS that reaches groundwater because plants in the LAA can take up potassium as a plant nutrient.

   ii. Replacement of Sani-bac, trisodium phosphate, and citric acid with peracetic acid (PAA). PAA breaks down to acetic acid, water, and oxygen; it will contribute to alkalinity in the wastewater, but does not contribute sodium, phosphate, or other salts to the wastewater.
b. Portable CIP systems will be used to clean wine filters. Use of a CIP system can reduce the amount of caustic used at the winery by reusing caustic for cleaning to the extent possible. CIP systems may also conserve more water thereby reducing the FDS load from the source water. The portable cleaning units do not use hot water; therefore, a boiler and boiler feed water residuals will not be generated.

c. The facility will use a chemical-free water treatment system for the new condensing towers. The EnviroTower uses electrostatic technology to precipitate calcium carbonate without the use of chemicals; the product vendor claims the need for antiscalant chemicals is eliminated.

d. Insulated, jacketed wine tanks are used to maintain the temperature of stored wine. Jacketed tanks are wrapped with refrigeration coils that chill the wine. This process reduces the need to run the wine from the storage tanks through a remote wine chiller for temperature regulation. By routing the coolant to the wine tanks rather than routing the wine to the cooling system, the amount of line sanitation and associated water and chemical usage is reduced.

e. Wastewater is collected by floor drains and is piped to the wastewater sumps. Routine solids removal from the sumps will reduce the ultimate organic loading to the ponds, which will help prevent odor generation.

f. Crops will be planted in the LAAs. Crops will take up some of the waste constituents in the treated wastewater.

g. A concrete pad will be used for storage of pomace and spent DE prior to offsite disposal. The concrete pad will drain to the wastewater system.

h. Institutional changes such as Best Management Practices (BMPs), Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) and employee orientation and training were implemented at both Discharger facilities and will be expanded to increase employee awareness of source control activities.

**WATER BALANCE**

21. A revised water balance was submitted as an RWD addendum on 27 May 2009 for the wastewater treatment, storage, and land application system. The water balance was based on an annual wastewater discharge of 30.0 Mgal, 100-year annual return rainfall amounts, and a total of 107.5 acres of LAA (15.5 acres of existing LAA and an additional 92 acres of new LAA). As described previously, an additional 79 acres of land is available for land application use.

22. Stormwater is handled differently depending upon where it falls, and if it has mixed with wastewater. The stormwater pond has a capacity of approximately 4.9 Mgal. The following summarizes the stormwater procedures:

a. Stormwater draining from roofed areas and surrounding surface areas not mixed with wastewater is discharged to the stormwater pond

b. Stormwater that falls onto exterior tank and wine processing areas without roof cover is collected in the facility’s wastewater drainage system. During winery operations, the wastewater/stormwater mixture is pumped to the wastewater ponds for treatment, and then applied to the LAA. However, during high precipitation
events, the pipes are flushed to the wastewater ponds and then the subsequently collected stormwater is routed via an automated valve to the stormwater pond.

i. After the pumps have pumped three sump volumes of water into the wastewater ponds, the valve switches position so that water subsequently accumulated on the paved area will be diverted to the stormwater pond. Each sump is flushed three times to remove residual wastewater constituents. After that flushing process, the valves are programmed to switch position so that water entering the sumps overnight or on weekends would be diverted to the stormwater pond. The system is provided with alarms so that if a valve fails to operate properly, a display light will appear on a control panel.

ii. Stormwater quality has been monitored at the facility since 2002 whenever there is enough water in the stormwater pond to be sampled. The water depth in the stormwater pond is generally very low, which makes collection of representative samples difficult. In general, the data collected shows that the Discharger’s program to separate wastewater from stormwater has been largely successful. The years 2006 and 2008 had a total of four sample events each; there were no sample events in 2007. The table below summarizes the stormwater quality as reported by the Discharger, for the years 2006 through 2008:

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<th>Units</th>
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<th>2008</th>
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<tr>
<td>Electrical Conductivity</td>
<td>umhos/cm</td>
<td>315</td>
<td>IWTS</td>
<td>564</td>
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<tr>
<td>Total Dissolved Solids</td>
<td>mg/L</td>
<td>1000</td>
<td>IWTS</td>
<td>0</td>
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<tr>
<td>Nitrate as N</td>
<td>mg/L</td>
<td>1.0</td>
<td>IWTS</td>
<td>7.8</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen</td>
<td>mg/L</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>IWTS</td>
<td>19.3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Biochemical Oxygen Demand</td>
<td>mg/L</td>
<td>28</td>
<td>IWTS</td>
<td>87.5</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

IWTS denotes insufficient water to sample.

c. The Discharger minimizes stormwater discharge to the wastewater ponds by performing outdoor work in zones to minimize the area where mixing of stormwater and wastewater occurs. During the rainy season, active outdoor work areas are confined to zones of limited square footage (approximately 80,000 ft²). This minimizes the amount of stormwater/wastewater mixtures that are diverted to the wastewater ponds.

23. The wastewater storage and treatment ponds are not large enough to allow storage of wastewater through the winter and application only during the growing season. As a result, the Discharger will have to apply wastewater throughout the year. Because of restrictions on applying wastewater that are contained in this Order, the Discharger will have to carefully schedule winery activities to manage the available storage in the wastewater ponds. Climatic conditions or LAA conditions (saturated soil, odors, etc.) may require winery process schedule changes to comply with this Order.

**LAND APPLICATION SYSTEM**

24. Historically, 15.5 acres of the site were used for spray irrigation of treated wastewater. With the facility expansion, approximately 92 acres of additional LAA will be added.
(67 acres of field crops and 25 acres of vineyards). A total of 107.5 acres of LAA will be available immediately. An additional 79 acres of land can be used for land application once configured to comply with this Order. The locations of the LAAs are presented on Attachment B. A summary of the LAAs is presented below:

<table>
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<th>LAA</th>
<th>Acreage</th>
<th>Crop Type</th>
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<tr>
<td>LAA No. 1</td>
<td>15.5</td>
<td>Turf</td>
<td>Active</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LAA No. 2</td>
<td>67.0</td>
<td>Corn</td>
<td>Active</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LAA No. 3</td>
<td>25.0</td>
<td>Vineyard</td>
<td>Active</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LAA No. 4</td>
<td>79.0</td>
<td>Vineyard</td>
<td>Future</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total</td>
<td>186.5</td>
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</tr>
</tbody>
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25. Treated wastewater may be applied by flood irrigation, sprinkler system, or drip irrigation. The irrigation systems are acceptable as long as treated wastewater applications are performed consistent with the requirements in this Order, allow even distribution, and prevent spills outside the LAAs. Reapplying tailwater to the LAAs or returning it to the wastewater ponds is acceptable.

26. Average daily hydraulic loading and calculated annual average loading rates to the 15.5 acre LAA from 2002 to 2007 are presented below.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Application</th>
<th>Units</th>
<th>2002</th>
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<th>2004</th>
<th>2005</th>
<th>2006</th>
<th>2007</th>
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<tr>
<td>Irrigation</td>
<td>gal/ac/day</td>
<td>2,318</td>
<td>2,065</td>
<td>2,573</td>
<td>2,242</td>
<td>2,304</td>
<td>2,803</td>
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<tr>
<td>Total Nitrogen</td>
<td>lbs/ac/yr</td>
<td>26</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>103</td>
<td>66</td>
<td>36</td>
<td>199</td>
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<tr>
<td>TDS</td>
<td>lbs/ac/yr</td>
<td>6,144</td>
<td>15,482</td>
<td>13,198</td>
<td>7,728</td>
<td>11,528</td>
<td>12,512</td>
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<tr>
<td>BOD</td>
<td>lbs/ac/yr</td>
<td>2.4</td>
<td>3.1</td>
<td>3.0</td>
<td>9.1</td>
<td>12.5</td>
<td>13.3</td>
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TDS denotes Total Dissolved Solids. BOD denotes 5-day Biochemical Oxygen Demand.

27. Crops will be cut and removed from the LAAs. Removal of the crop will remove the nitrogen and dissolved solids that are taken up by the crop.

a. TDS is composed of both Volatile Dissolved Solids (VDS) and FDS. The proportion of VDS to FDS in wastewater varies with the source, but 50-percent of the TDS in winery wastewater may be in the volatile form. The VDS can be biologically treated by soil microorganisms in a well-managed wastewater treatment and land application system, when wastewater is not over-applied. The Discharger has estimated FDS concentrations in the RWD based on salinity control measures at a similar winery (Sutter Home in St. Helena, Napa County). The forecast FDS concentration is 730 mg/L. Based on the anticipated average annual wastewater flow rate of 29.3 Mgal, approximately 177,529 pounds/year of FDS will be applied (1,651 lbs/ac/year).

b. The Discharger has estimated the average total nitrogen concentration in wastewater to be 35 mg/L. Based on the anticipated average annual wastewater flow rate (29.3 Mgal), approximately 8,511 pounds/year of total nitrogen will be applied (79.2 lbs/ac/year). The LAAs planted with crops generally will take up at least 200 lbs/ac/year; LAAs with vineyards will take up approximately 125 lbs/ac/year (slightly more with cover crops planted between rows of grape
vines). The proposed nitrogen loading rate is unlikely to degrade groundwater quality. This Order requires the Discharger to develop and implement a Nutrient Management Plan.

28. Because treated wastewater will not provide adequate water to meet the crop demand, supplemental water will be applied. The Discharger anticipates supplemental irrigation water will be required for crop health in the months of June, July, August, and September. The preferred supplemental irrigation water source is the Woodbridge Irrigation District (WID) canal that exists along the southern boundary of the facility. Four water samples were collected from the canal; the average FDS concentration was 50 mg/L. An alternative to the WID water is the on-site well, which produces lower quality water (approximately 228 mg/L FDS). The FDS loading that occurs from the supplemental irrigation water is in addition to that derived from wastewater.

29. Application of treated wastewater to the LAAs will occur during the wet season. Applications will be managed to minimize over-application, which could result in more rapid leaching of wastewater constituents. Therefore, this Order prohibits irrigation with treated wastewater during, or within 24 hours after a rain event, or when soils are saturated.

**SOLID WASTE**

30. Pomace and spent DE will be generated in wine making processes and will be placed on the Pomace/DE pad. The Pomace/DE pad is constructed of concrete and equipped with a sump that collects liquid that drains from the material and any storm water that falls on the pad. Liquid from the Pomace/DE pad is discharged to the wastewater system.

   a. Pomace will be removed daily during the crush season for off-site disposal.

   b. DE will be removed as needed during crush. During the remainder of the year, spent DE will be stored in watertight bins for off-site disposal.

31. Pomace and/or DE can be applied to off-site cropland as a beneficial soil amendment. If it is composted, the composting facility must be a permitted green waste facility, or be listed for permitting when the Green Waste General Order is prepared.

32. Storage of pomace and DE on bare ground after the initial drying on the Pomace/DE pad may allow stormwater to mobilize residual waste constituents. Such storage is not protective of groundwater quality.

**GROUNDWATER CONDITIONS**

33. Groundwater conditions have been investigated by installing and sampling groundwater monitoring wells, performing direct push/grab groundwater sampling, and sampling the supply well (which was drilled to a greater depth than the monitoring wells). All of the groundwater wells and direct push sample locations are presented on Attachment D, which is attached hereto and is made part of this Order by reference.

34. The winery is served by a groundwater production well. The well is 225 feet deep and its surface seal extends to a depth of 100 feet below ground surface (bgs). The screen interval is from 195 to 225 feet bgs. Supply water is treated with an ozone
injection system and multimedia filtration to reduce iron and manganese concentrations. Filter backwash is discharged to the wastewater ponds.

a. Samples were collected from the supply well. Because the well is screened in a much lower zone than the depth of the groundwater monitoring wells, the supply well data are presented separately. The supply well groundwater quality is presented in the table below:

<table>
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All constituents reported as mg/L except EC (reported as umhos/cm) and pH (reported as standard units). Nitrate reported as Nitrate. TKN denotes Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen. TDS denotes Total Dissolved Solids. EC denotes Electrical Conductivity.

35. The remainder of the groundwater quality data for the site addresses the shallow groundwater quality and elevation. Based on the available data, the water table exists approximately between 0.41 to 9.28 feet bgs and groundwater flows from east to west. The groundwater gradient is very low (0.0007).

36. Three groundwater monitoring wells are located at the domestic wastewater disposal area (mound system) and were installed by requirement of the San Joaquin County Environmental Health Department (SJCEHD). The SJCEHD maintains oversight of the domestic wastewater system.

a. Wells DWS-1 and DWS-2 are located adjacent to the mound where domestic wastewater is disposed. Although DWS-1 is located upgradient of the mound, because the gradient is so low, it may be within the influence of the mound. Well DWS-3 is located downgradient of the mound.

b. As part of the permitting process for the septic tank/mound distribution system installation, the Discharger prepared a nitrate loading study. Four shallow groundwater samples were collected from open boreholes and analyzed for nitrate (as nitrate) concentrations. Analytical results were 53, 88, 140, and 170 mg/L. Because at the time the samples were collected domestic wastewater and/or winery wastewater discharges had not yet begun at the site, the source of the elevated nitrate concentrations may be related to previous land use.

37. In March 2002, the Discharger constructed seven groundwater monitoring wells at the facility to monitor groundwater quality related to wastewater disposal at the site. The well construction details are presented below

<table>
<thead>
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<th>Well Name</th>
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<th>Screened Interval (feet bgs)</th>
<th>Casing Elevation (feet)</th>
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Well Name | Date Constructed | Screened Interval (feet bgs) | Casing Elevation (feet) |
-----------|------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|
GW-3       | 3/21/02          | 5.4-14.3                    | 11.14                  |
GW-4       | 3/21/02          | 5.7-14.6                    | 9.85                   |
GW-5       | 3/22/02          | 5.8-14.7                    | 8.98                   |
GW-6       | 3/22/02          | 5.9-14.8                    | 7.99                   |
GW-7       | 3/22/02          | 5.8-14.7                    | 8.62                   |

bgs denotes below ground surface.
Casing elevations measured relative to a local datum.

38. Interpretation of the data from the groundwater monitoring wells is complicated by the relatively flat groundwater gradient and sources of wastewater and/or stormwater discharge. Such discharges may result in localized and temporary groundwater elevation changes that can cause flow direction changes. In general, the groundwater monitoring wells monitor the following:

a. All the wells are located in an area that has been extensively developed for agricultural use.

b. Well GW-1 is located on the upgradient side of the facility.

c. Well GW-2 is located upgradient of the processing facility but downgradient of an on-site vineyard which may impact groundwater quality.

d. Well GW-3 is located adjacent to a stormwater disposal pond. Because of the very low groundwater gradient, relatively clean stormwater discharged to the pond may affect the groundwater quality at the well’s location.

e. Well GW-4 is located adjacent to both the stormwater disposal pond and LAA No. 1. The low groundwater gradient may affect groundwater quality at Well GW-4.

f. Well GW-5 and GW-6 are located in LAA No. 1. The area is subject to groundwater quality changes as a result of wastewater application.

g. Well GW-7 is located downgradient of the existing wastewater ponds (Ponds A and B).

39. Quarterly groundwater monitoring has been performed since 2002 for the winery wastewater monitoring wells (labeled with “GW”); annual monitoring has been performed since 2002 for the domestic wastewater system monitoring wells (labeled with “DWS”). Average concentrations for selected analytes are summarized in the following table. Groundwater quality is discussed in Finding No. 41, after the grab groundwater quality data is presented.

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### Analyte Units

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EC denotes Electrical Conductivity. TDS denotes Total Dissolved Solids. NO₃-N denotes Nitrate as Nitrogen. TKN denotes Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen. WQO denotes Water Quality Objective. ND denotes Not Detected above the laboratory reporting limit. NA denotes Not Applicable.

1. Agricultural Water Quality Screening Level.
2. Primary Maximum Contaminant Level (Drinking Water).
3. Recommended Secondary Maximum Contaminant Level (Drinking Water).

### Findings

#### 40. In September 2008, 11 direct push soil borings were completed to collect grab groundwater samples beneath the northern parcel of the site where the new wastewater ponds have been constructed and the new LAAs will be developed. Samples were collected at depths varying between 10 and 15 feet bgs. The soil boring locations are presented on Attachment D. The data are presented below:

### Analyte Units

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#### 41. Review of the groundwater data presented in Findings 34, 39, and 40 indicates highly variable groundwater quality across the site. All of the reasons for the variability are not known; but the low groundwater gradient, past land use, localized discharge of both high and low quality wastewater/stormwater, and nearby irrigation canals are probable influences. This Order requires installation of additional wells and further
evaluation of groundwater quality at the site. The following can be stated about the groundwater quality as it is presently understood:

a. With respect to TDS and EC data:
   
i. Although no winery wastewater has been applied in the new land application areas, many of the highest EC values reported came from samples collected there.

ii. Upgradient groundwater quality is highly variable. Along the upgradient property boundary, EC values ranged from 774 umhos/cm to 1,630 umhos/cm. The cause of the variability is unknown.

iii. The TDS and EC data collected at existing Ponds A and B may require further investigation. Although, not conclusive, the data may indicate groundwater degradation associated with the ponds. The Discharger has stated the ponds will no longer be used for wastewater treatment or storage and will be decommissioned.

b. With respect to nitrate as nitrogen data:
   
i. Although no winery wastewater has been applied in the new land application areas, many of the highest nitrate as nitrogen values reported came from samples collected there.

ii. Upgradient groundwater quality is highly variable. Along the upgradient property boundary nitrate as nitrogen values ranged from 0.41 mg/L to 37.5 mg/L. The cause of the variability is unknown.

c. Additional study of the nearby irrigation canals (including the abandoned canal that bisected the property previously and is shown on groundwater monitoring reports) is needed to understand the relationship between surface water quality and site groundwater quality.

d. Groundwater quality in the supply well is significantly better than the shallow groundwater quality. However, that assessment is based on the data from only one well.

SITE SPECIFIC CONDITIONS

42. Land use in the vicinity of the site consists of vineyards and agricultural operations, including confined animal facilities. The topography of the surrounding area is level. Groundwater quality appears to be impacted by the previous and nearby land use activities.

43. The tops of the berms of all of the wastewater ponds (existing Ponds A and B, and new Ponds No. 1 and 2) are higher than the currently-defined Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) 100-year flood zone. Approximately the western third of the facility is located within the 100-year floodplain. The estimated 100-year flood zone is presented on Attachment B.

44. Shallow soils are described as consisting of sandy silt to a depth of approximately 9 feet bgs and silty sand to an investigated depth of 15 feet bgs.
Based on the California Department of Water Resources rainfall data, the mean annual rainfall is approximately 17.2 inches; the 100-year return annual precipitation is 31.1 inches. Evapotranspiration was estimated from a nearby California Irrigation Management Information System monitoring station; evapotranspiration is estimated to be 50.30 inches per year.

The facility currently employs approximately four employees in one eight-hour shift per day. The number of employees is expected to increase to 24 following the expansion of the facility. Domestic wastewater is discharged to an engineered mound septic system. The system is regulated by the San Joaquin County Environmental Health Department. The 3,000-gallon septic tank is regularly pumped and the septage is disposed of at a domestic wastewater treatment facility. There is no tasting room, so the septic system primarily serves winery employees.

**OTHER CONSIDERATIONS FOR FOOD PROCESSING WASTE**

Excessive application of food processing wastewater to land application areas can create objectionable odors, soil conditions that are harmful to crops, and degradation of underlying groundwater by overloading the shallow soil profile and causing waste constituents (organic carbon, nitrate, other salts, and metals) to percolate below the root zone. Ordinarily, it is reasonable to expect some attenuation of various waste constituents that percolate below the root zone within the vadose (unsaturated) zone. Specifically, excess nitrogen can be mineralized and denitrified by soil microorganisms, organic constituents (measured as both BOD and volatile dissolved solids) can be oxidized, and some salinity species will undergo cation exchange with clay minerals, effectively immobilizing them.

Loading of BOD should be limited to prevent nuisance conditions. The maximum BOD loading rate that can be applied to land without creating nuisance conditions can vary significantly depending on the operation of the land application system. *Pollution Abatement in the Fruit and Vegetable Industry*, published by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA Publication No. 625/3-77-0007) (hereafter *Pollution Abatement*), cites BOD loading rates in the range of 36 lbs/acre/day to 600 lbs/acre/day but indicates the loading rates can be even higher under certain conditions. In no case shall the loadings cause a nuisance.

Acidic and/or reducing soil conditions can be detrimental to land treatment system function, and may cause groundwater degradation if the buffering capacity of the soil is exceeded. If soil pH decreases below 5 and the soil remains in a reducing state for prolonged periods, naturally occurring metals (including iron and manganese) could dissolve and degrade underlying groundwater. In practice, prolonged reducing conditions may not occur because: a) the annual cycle of lowered pH during loading with either wastewater or fertilizer is followed by pH recovery during cropping and organic matter cycling and; b) the dose and rest cycling for wastewater application either in spreading basins or using irrigation creates alternate anoxic and aerobic conditions. *Pollution Abatement* recommends that water applied to crops have a pH within 6.4 to 8.4 to protect crops. The soils and underlying groundwater are expected to adequately buffer the discharge.
BASIN PLAN, BENEFICIAL USES, AND REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS

50. The Water Quality Control Plan for the Sacramento River and San Joaquin River Basins, Fourth Edition (hereafter Basin Plan) designates beneficial uses, establishes water quality objectives, contains implementation plans and policies for protecting waters of the basin, and incorporates by reference plans and policies adopted by the State Water Resources Control Board. Pursuant to Section 13263(a) of the California Water Code (CWC), waste discharge requirements (WDRs) must implement the Basin Plan.

51. Surface water drainage is to the Mokelumne River. The facility is within the Lower Mokelumne Hydrologic Area (No. 531.20), as depicted on interagency hydrologic maps prepared by the Department of Water Resources in August 1986.

52. The beneficial uses of the Mokelumne River from Camanche Reservoir to the Sacramento/San Joaquin Delta are agricultural supply; water contact recreation; non-contact water recreation; warm freshwater habitat; cold freshwater habitat; migration of aquatic organisms; spawning, reproduction, and/or early development; and wildlife habitat.

53. The beneficial uses of underlying groundwater are municipal and domestic water supply, agricultural supply, industrial service supply, and industrial process supply.

54. State Water Resources Control Board (State Board) Resolution No. 68-16 (the Antidegradation Policy) requires that the Regional Water Board, in regulating the discharge of waste, must maintain the high quality of waters of the state until it is demonstrated that any change in quality will be consistent with maximum benefit to the people of the state, will not unreasonably affect beneficial uses, and will not result in water quality less than that described in the Regional Water Board’s policies (e.g., quality that exceeds water quality objectives). Resolution No. 68-16 also requires that waste discharged to high quality waters be required to meet WDRs that will result in the best practicable treatment or control of the discharge. Resolution 68-16 prohibits degradation of groundwater quality as it existed in 1968, or at any time thereafter that groundwater quality was better than in 1968, other than degradation that was previously authorized. An antidegradation analysis is required for an increased volume or concentration of waste.

55. The facility was constructed in 1998 and groundwater investigations have characterized groundwater quality. The recently performed grab groundwater sampling performed in the northern area of the property, where wastewater has not been applied, shows highly variable groundwater quality. That finding is consistent with groundwater quality data collected from site monitoring wells. Confined animal facilities are located in close proximity to the site. It is reasonable to conclude area groundwater has been impacted by the animal facilities and the long history of agricultural activity in the area. Degradation caused by prior activities at the facility may require corrective action.

Limited degradation of high-quality groundwater by some of the typical waste constituents released with discharge from a winery (after effective source control, treatment, and control) may be consistent with maximum benefit to the people of the State at appropriate sites. When allowed, the degree of degradation permitted depends upon many factors (e.g., background water quality, the waste constituent, the
beneficial uses and water quality objectives, management practices, source control measures, and waste constituent treatability).

The Discharger cannot fully evaluate actual impacts to groundwater quality until completion of additional hydrogeologic studies and implementation of new or planned facility upgrades, and any additional measures that will be required to comply with Provision G.1. A preliminary hydrogeologic study submitted by the Discharger indicates that planned operation will not impact groundwater quality; however, Section F presents interim groundwater limits that are effective immediately and require no degradation beyond existing background groundwater quality. Final groundwater limits are effective on 1 July 2014 and provide numeric limits, or background groundwater concentrations, whichever is greater.

This Order imposes new effluent limitations, and limits land application of nitrogen to agronomic rates. This Order contains a time schedule for assuring that BPTC and the highest water quality consistent with the maximum benefit to the people of the State will be achieved. Upon completion of the time schedule, this Order will establish final groundwater limitations and therefore prohibit the Discharger from causing or contributing to an exceedence of groundwater objectives, and minimizes any degradation that may occur pending completion of the required tasks. Completion of these tasks, and implementation of the approved strategies developed from that work, will ensure that BPTC and the highest water quality consistent with the maximum benefit to the people of the State will be achieved.

The Discharger expects the facility to provide 24 year-round and additional seasonal jobs. Prohibiting discharges pending completion of the required facility upgrades could eliminate some or all those jobs. In addition, it is reasonable to assume that the facility provides an economic benefit to the growers that will supply grapes to the crushing facilities, and to equipment suppliers and transportation companies. The use of winery wastewater to irrigate crops in place of higher quality surface or ground water supplies is a benefit to the people of the State. Any limited, short-term degradation that may result while the Discharger completes the required studies is consistent with maximum benefit to the people of the State. This Order establishes requirements to ensure the discharge will not unreasonably threaten present and anticipated beneficial uses or result in groundwater quality that exceeds water quality objectives set forth in the Basin Plan. This Order establishes effluent limitations that are protective of the beneficial uses of the underlying groundwater, requires a groundwater evaluation and determination of the need for salinity source reduction, and requires the sampling of groundwater monitoring wells to quantify any impacts on the underlying groundwater quality. Following completion of the time schedule, this Order will be reopened if necessary to reconsider effluent limitations and other requirements to comply with Resolution 68-16. Based on the existing record, the discharge is consistent with the antidegradation provisions of Resolution 68-16.

56. Based on the threat and complexity of the discharge, the facility is determined to be classified 2-B as defined below:

   a. Category 2 threat to water quality, defined as, “Those discharges of waste that could impair the designated beneficial uses of the receiving water, cause short term violation of water quality objectives, cause secondary drinking water standards to be violated, or cause a nuisance.”
b. Category B complexity, defined as, “Any discharger not included above that has physical, chemical, or biological treatment systems (except for septic systems with subsurface disposal) or any Class 2 or Class 3 waste management units.”

57. California Water Code Section 13267(b) provides that: “In conducting an investigation specified in subdivision (a), the regional board may require that any person who has discharged, discharges, or is suspected of having discharged or discharging, or who proposes to discharge waste within its region, or any citizen or domiciliary, or political agency or entity of this state who has discharged, discharges, or is suspected of having discharged or discharging, or who proposes to discharge, waste outside of its region that could affect the quality of waters within its region shall furnish, under penalty of perjury, technical or monitoring program reports which the regional board requires. The burden, including costs, of these reports shall bear a reasonable relationship to the need for the report and the benefits to be obtained from the reports. In requiring those reports, the regional board shall provide the person with a written explanation with regard to the need for the reports, and shall identify the evidence that supports requiring that person to provide the reports.”

The technical reports required by this Order and the attached Monitoring and Reporting Program No. R5-2009-0073 are necessary to assure compliance with these WDRs. The Discharger owns and operates the facility that generates the waste subject to this Order.

58. State regulations that prescribe procedures for detecting and characterizing the impact of waste constituents from waste management units on groundwater are found in Title 27. The data analysis methods of Title 27 may be appropriate for determining whether the discharge complies with the terms for protection of groundwater specified in this Order.

59. California Department of Water Resources standards for the construction and destruction of groundwater wells is described in California Well Standards Bulletin 74-90 (June 1991) and Water Well Standards: State of California Bulletin 94-81 (December 1981). These standards, and any more stringent standards adopted by the state or county pursuant to CWC Section 13801, apply to all monitoring wells.

60. The discharge meets the criteria for an exemption from the requirements of Consolidated Regulation for Treatment, Storage, Processing, or Disposal of Solid Waste, as set forth in Title 27, CCR, Division 2, Subdivision 1, Section 20005, et seq., (Title 27), based upon the following.

a. The Regional Water Board has issued waste discharge requirements,

b. The discharge is in compliance with the Basin Plan. Studies submitted by the Discharger conclude that compliance with effluent limits and management practices in these WDRs will achieve compliance with the Basin Plan. The Regional Water Board concurs with these studies but this Order requires verification of the study results. As this facility does not currently exist as proposed in this Order, wastewater characterization and management practices were developed based upon best professional judgment using data obtained from similar facilities owned and operated by the Discharger. Groundwater quality is characterized over part of the facility with existing monitoring well data, supplemented by groundwater grab samples over the expanded land application...
areas. Groundwater quality is highly variable across the site and further characterization of groundwater is necessary to formally determine background water quality; however, based upon existing groundwater data, reasonable assumptions were made for use in groundwater impact studies. This Order contains a time schedule for the Discharger to further investigate groundwater quality and determine the background groundwater value.

i. The surrounding area contains numerous confined animal operations and a long history of intensive agricultural operation. Background groundwater quality is believed to be degraded by the historic use.

ii. The Discharger has prepared an Antidegradation Study that shows wastewater with a FDS concentration of 1,500 mg/L could be mixed with WID supplemental irrigation water and applied to LAAs with no groundwater degradation. This Order limits the treated wastewater (effluent from Pond No. 2) FDS concentration to a monthly maximum of 1,500 mg/L and an annual average of 1,100 mg/L. The time schedule in Provision G.1, requires that on or before 1 July 2013, the Discharger submit additional site-specific information on wastewater quality and background groundwater quality, and an evaluation of the impact of the wastewater discharge on the groundwater to verify that the submitted groundwater impact study is correct.

iii. Wastewater storage ponds will be double lined to prevent infiltration of stored wastewater to groundwater.

iv. The Discharger is increasing the LAA acreage from 15.5 acres, to an immediately available 107.5 acres; an additional 79 acres are available for use in the future.

v. The Discharger is required to implement source control in the winery, as described in Finding 20 (see Prohibition A.4) which will minimize the salinity of the discharge.

c. The wastewater does not need to be managed according to Title 22 CCR, Division 4.5, and Chapter 11, as a hazardous waste.

61. Federal regulations for storm water discharges were promulgated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency on 16 November 1990 (40 CFR Parts 122, 123, and 124). The State Board adopted Order No. 97-03-DWQ (General Permit No. CAS000001) specifying waste discharge requirements for discharges of storm water associated with industrial activities, and requiring submittal of a Notice of Intent by all affected industrial dischargers. The Discharger filed a Notice of Non-Applicability of Coverage Under the NPDES General Permit for Discharges of Stormwater in 1998. Following a site visit in 2002, the Central Valley Water Board concurred that the facility is exempt from the requirements to acquire coverage under the General Permit. However, because the expansion is significant, the Discharger is required to resubmit a Notice of Non-Applicability or apply for stormwater coverage.

62. A Negative Declaration was approved by the San Joaquin County Community Development Department on 17 May 2007 for the expansion of the facility per the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The Central Valley Water Board, as a responsible agency, has considered the negative declaration and
concerns that the expansion of the facility will not have significant adverse environmental impacts if the Discharger complies with this Order.

63. Pursuant to CWC Section 13263(g), discharge is a privilege, not a right, and adoption of this Order does not create a vested right to continue the discharge.

PUBLIC NOTICE

64. All the above and the supplemental information and details in the attached Information Sheet, incorporated by reference herein, were considered in establishing the following conditions of discharge.

65. The Discharger and interested agencies and persons were notified of the intent to prescribe WDRs for this discharge and provided an opportunity for a public hearing and an opportunity to submit their written views and recommendations.

66. In a public meeting, all comments pertaining to the discharge were heard and considered.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Order No. R5-2002-0034 is rescinded and pursuant to Section 13263 and 13267 of the California Water Code, Sutter Home Winery, its agents, successors, and assigns, in order to meet the provisions contained in Division 7 of the California Water Code and regulations adopted there under, shall comply with the following:

Note: Other prohibitions, conditions, definitions, and the method of determining compliance are contained in the attached “Standard Provisions and Reporting Requirements for Waste Discharge Requirements” dated 1 March 1991.

A. Discharge Prohibitions:

1. Discharge of wastes, including irrigation tailwater, to surface waters or surface water drainage courses is prohibited.

2. Bypass or overflow of untreated or partially treated wastewater is prohibited.

3. Discharge of waste classified as “hazardous,” defined in Section 20164 of Title 27, CCR, or “designated,” as defined in Section 13173 of the CWC, is prohibited.

4. The discharge of wastewater in a manner other than as described in the findings is prohibited.

5. The discharge of toxic substances into the Discharger’s wastewater ponds such that biological mechanisms are disturbed is prohibited.

6. The discharge of treated wastewater other than to the approved LAAs identified in Finding No. 24 is prohibited.

7. The discharge of domestic wastewater to the winery wastewater treatment system is prohibited.

8. The discharge of winery wastewater to a domestic wastewater treatment system (septic system) is prohibited.

9. The discharge of domestic wastewater to the stormwater pond is prohibited.
10. Discharge of stormwater not consistent with the procedures described in Finding No. 22, or more stringent measures if developed and approved by the Executive Officer, is prohibited.

11. By **12 November 2009**, wastewater will no longer be stored or treated in Ponds A or B.

**B. Discharge Specifications:**

1. The discharge to the wastewater treatment ponds shall not exceed **3.8 million gallons per month**. In addition, the discharge to the wastewater treatment ponds shall not exceed an annual total of **30 million gallons** of wastewater and/or stormwater mixtures. All monitoring periods shall be based on a standard calendar.

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1. As determined by the total flow for the calendar year.

2. As determined by the total flow each calendar month.

2. Neither the treatment nor the discharge of wastewater shall cause a nuisance or condition of pollution as defined by the CWC, Section 13050.

3. The discharge shall not cause the degradation of any groundwater.

4. No wastewater constituent shall be released or discharged, or placed where it will be released or discharged, in a concentration or in a mass that causes violation of the Groundwater Limitations.

5. Objectionable odors originating at this facility shall not be perceivable beyond the limits of the property owned by the Discharger.

6. Sufficient dissolved oxygen must be maintained in the upper zone (one foot) of any pond in order to prevent objectionable odors.

7. The Discharger shall operate all systems and equipment to maximize treatment of wastewater and optimize the quality of the discharge.

8. All ponds shall be managed to prevent the breeding of mosquitoes. In particular:
   
   a. An erosion control program should assure that small coves and irregularities are not created around the perimeter of the water surface.
   
   b. Weeds shall be minimized through control of water depth, harvesting, and/or use of herbicides.
   
   c. Dead algae, vegetation, and debris shall not accumulate on the water surface.

9. The LAAs shall be managed to prevent the breeding of mosquitoes.

10. The wastewater treatment ponds shall be designed, constructed, operated, and maintained to prevent inundation or washout due to floods with a 100-year return frequency. Adequate LAA shall be available to replace LAA made unusable by a flood event.
11. No physical connection shall exist between wastewater piping and any domestic water supply, domestic/industrial supply well, irrigation water pipeline, or irrigation canal without an air gap or approved reduced pressure device.

12. The freeboard in each pond shall never be less than two feet, as measured vertically from the water surface to the lowest point of overflow.

13. The wastewater treatment and land application system shall have sufficient capacity to accommodate wastewater flow and seasonal precipitation. Design seasonal precipitation shall be based on total annual precipitation using a return period of 100 years, distributed monthly in accordance with historical rainfall patterns.

14. On or about **15 October** each year, available pond storage capacity shall at least equal the volume necessary to comply with Discharge Specifications No. B.12 and No. B.13.

15. Storage of pomace and/or DE on areas not equipped with means to prevent leachate generation and infiltration into the ground is prohibited.

16. Application of pomace and/or DE to LAAs at the winery is prohibited.

17. If generated, all water softening ion exchange regeneration brine shall be separated from the wastewater system and disposed of at East Bay Municipal Utility District or a similar facility.

C. Effluent Limitations:

1. Treated wastewater applied to land shall not exceed the following effluent and loading rate limits, or other concentrations as determined in accordance with Provision G.1.g to ensure compliance with the Groundwater Limitations.

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<td>Total Nitrogen</td>
<td>lbs/ac/year</td>
<td>NA</td>
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Annual average for Fixed Dissolved Solids shall be calculated as described in the Monitoring and Reporting Program and shall be based on calendar year. Flow-weighted annual average.

NA denotes Not Applicable.

Compliance with the annual average FDS concentration requirement shall be determined using the formula listed below:

\[
C = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (C_i \times V_i)}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} V_i}
\]

Where \( C = \) flow weighted average annual FDS concentration in milligrams per liter (mg/L);
\[ C_i = \text{FDS concentration monitoring result for the calendar month } i \text{ in mg/L;} \]
\[ V_i = \text{total effluent discharged to the LAAs during calendar month } i \text{ in Mgal;} \]
\[ i = \text{the number of the month (i.e.; January } = 1, \text{ February } = 2, \text{ etc.);} \]
\[ n = 12 \]

2. Wastewater applied to the LAA shall not have a pH of less than 6.5 or greater than 10.0.

**D. Land Application Area Requirements:**

1. The discharge shall be distributed uniformly on adequate acreage in compliance with the Discharge Specifications and Effluent Limitations.

2. Crops shall be grown on the LAAs. Crops shall be selected based on nutrient uptake capacity, tolerance to high soil moisture conditions, consumptive use of water, and irrigation requirements. Cropping activities shall be sufficient to take up the nitrogen applied, and crops shall be harvested and removed from the land at least on an annual basis.

3. Neither pomace nor DE shall be stored on unpaved ground. Acceptable alternatives include storage on paved areas that are equipped with liquid collection systems or other alternatives that prevent generation of leachate, such as roofed areas or use of ag bags for well-drained materials.

4. Discharge of treated wastewater, including runoff, spray or droplets from the irrigation system, shall not occur outside the boundaries of the approved LAAs. Treated wastewater application using sprinklers, flood, or drip irrigation is acceptable if the discharge complies with all requirements of this Order.

5. Hydraulic loading of treated wastewater and irrigation water shall be at reasonable agronomic rates designed to minimize the potential impact to groundwater quality by percolation of wastewater and irrigation water below the root zone (i.e., deep percolation).

6. Wastewater conveyance lines shall be clearly marked as such. Wastewater controllers, valves, etc. shall be affixed with reclaimed water warning signs; quick couplers and sprinkler heads shall be of a type, or secured in such a manner, that permits operation by authorized personnel only.

7. Irrigation systems shall be labeled as containing reclaimed wastewater. If treated wastewater and irrigation water utilize the same pipeline, then backflow prevention devices shall be installed to protect the potable/irrigation water supply.

8. Application of treated wastewater to the LAAs using sprinkler irrigation is prohibited when wind velocities exceed 30 miles per hour.

9. Public contact with wastewater shall be precluded through such means as fences, signs, and/or irrigation management practices. Signs with proper wording of sufficient size shall be placed at areas of access and around the perimeter of the LAAs to alert the public of the presence of wastewater.
10. The LAAs shall be managed to prevent breeding of mosquitoes. More specifically:
   a. All applied irrigation water must infiltrate completely within 24 hours.
   b. Ditches not serving as wildlife habitat should be maintained free of emergent, marginal, and floating vegetation.
   c. Low pressure pipelines, unpressurized pipelines, and ditches that are accessible to mosquitoes shall not be used to store wastewater.

11. A 50-foot buffer zone shall be maintained between any watercourse and the wetted area resulting from application of treated wastewater.

12. A 50-foot buffer zone shall be maintained between any industrial, domestic, or irrigation well and the wetted area resulting from application of treated wastewater.

13. A 50-foot buffer zone shall be maintained between any properties developed with residences and the wetted area resulting from application of treated wastewater.

14. Discharges to LAAs shall be managed to minimize both erosion and runoff from the irrigated area.

15. A berm shall be maintained around the perimeter of the LAAs to prevent the runoff of treated wastewater or stormwater.

16. The resulting effect of the wastewater discharge on the soil pH shall not exceed the buffering capacity of the soil profile and shall not cause significant mobilization of soil constituents such as iron and manganese.

17. The Discharger may not discharge effluent to the LAAs within 24 hours of a predicted storm event, during periods of precipitation, and for at least 24 hours after cessation of precipitation, or when soils are saturated.

18. Application of treated wastewater to the LAAs via flood irrigation shall only occur on furrows graded or irrigation checks configured so as to achieve uniform distribution, minimize ponding, and provide for tailwater control. Furrow runs and irrigation checks shall not be longer and slopes shall not be greater than what permits reasonably uniform infiltration and maximum practical irrigation efficiency.

19. Wastewater application areas shall be allowed to dry for at least 5 days from the end of wastewater application before the next wastewater application.

20. There shall be no standing water in the LAAs 24 hours after treated wastewater is applied, except during periods of heavy rains sustained over two or more consecutive days.

E. Solids/Sludge Disposal Requirements:

1. Collected screenings and other solids removed from winery wastewater shall be disposed of offsite in a manner that is consistent with Title 27, Division 2, Subdivision 1 of the CCR and approved by the Executive Officer.

2. Winery sludge and other solids shall be removed from sumps, screens, wastewater ponds, etc. as needed to ensure optimal operation and adequate hydraulic capacity. Winery solids drying operations, if any, shall be designed and operated to prevent leachate generation.
3. Storage and disposal of domestic wastewater sludge (septage) shall comply with existing Federal, State, and local laws and regulations, including permitting requirements and technical standards.

4. Sludge and other solids shall be removed from septic tanks as needed to ensure optimal operation and adequate hydraulic capacity. A duly authorized carrier shall haul sludge, septage, and domestic wastewater.

5. Any proposed change in solids use or disposal practice from a previously approved practice shall be reported to the Executive Officer at least 90 days in advance of the change.

F. Groundwater Limitations:

1. Effective immediately as interim groundwater limitation, the discharge, in combination with other sources, shall not cause underlying groundwater to contain waste constituents in concentrations statistically greater than existing background water quality. Background groundwater quality shall be calculated using the methods provided in Title 27 Section 20415(e)(10). Background values must be updated annually as described in the MRP.

2. Effective 1 July 2014, the final groundwater limits will be the groundwater quality objectives or the background groundwater quality (as determined by required studies approved by the Executive Officer), whichever is greater. If background values are not determined, the groundwater water quality objectives listed below will be the final groundwater limitations. If necessary to meet groundwater limits, the Discharger shall upgrade its ponds or upgrade wastewater treatment before the effective date. The groundwater quality objectives are presented below:

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¹ A cumulative impact limit that accounts for several dissolved constituents in addition to those listed here separately [e.g., alkalinity (carbonate and bicarbonate), calcium, hardness, phosphate, and potassium].
G. Provisions:

1. All of the following reports shall be submitted pursuant to CWC Section 13267, and prepared by a California registered professional as described in Provision G.2.
   a. By **12 November 2009**, the Discharger shall submit and implement an *Operation and Management Plan* (O&M Plan) that addresses operation of the wastewater treatment and disposal facility. At a minimum, the O&M Plan will describe (a) the daily operation and maintenance of the treatment system, (b) the practices used to treat the wastewater within limits specified in this Order, (c) the locations of the LAAs, and procedures to prevent excessive BOD, nitrogen, or dissolved solids loading of LAAs, (d) the locations of flow and effluent sampling points, (e) quality control sampling procedures necessary to obtain representative samples, (f) practices used to maintain the LAAs, (g) the locations of solid waste disposal areas, methods of disposal, and the daily practices associated with the disposal of solid waste, (h) means to secure the LAAs and control wastewater or stormwater from discharging offsite (i.e., installation of fencing or notification signs, installation of berms to prevent runoff, configuration of checks to control application rates), (i) planning for potential response to natural disasters, (j) institutional controls such as Best Management Practices (BMPs), (k) Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs), (l) specific procedures to ensure that contaminated stormwater is discharged to the wastewater pond and clean stormwater is discharged to the stormwater pond, (m) employee orientation and training. A copy of the O&M Plan shall be kept at the facility for reference by operating personnel and they shall be familiar with its contents.

   b. By **12 November 2009**, the Discharger shall submit a *Nutrient Management Plan* that evaluates the nutrient load to each land application area and develops and implements pollution prevention management practices to restrict nutrient loading that that necessary for the specified crop.

   c. By **12 November 2009**, the Discharger shall apply for coverage or submit a Notice of Non-Applicability for *Order No. 97-03-DWQ, Discharges of Storm Water Associated With Industrial Activities* or provide a reevaluation of the Notice of Non-Applicability previously issued.

   d. By **12 November 2009**, the Discharger shall submit a *Hydrogeologic Investigation Workplan and a Groundwater Sampling and Analysis Workplan* prepared in accordance with, and including the items listed in, Section 1 of Attachment E which is attached hereto and is made part of this Order by reference. The workplan shall describe an investigation designed to explain the high level of variability in groundwater quality. The investigation shall include examination of historic land use, nearby surface water bodies, and the potential that confined animal facilities (or other operations) have impacted groundwater at or near the facility. The workplan shall also propose the installation of groundwater monitoring wells to monitor the groundwater upgradient and downgradient of the new LAAs, wastewater ponds, and any other feature of concern. All groundwater monitoring wells or other groundwater sample collection methods shall be designed to yield samples representative of the uppermost portion of the first saturated interval below the water table. The workplan shall also specify proposed sampling
techniques designed to ensure that representative samples of sufficient volume are obtained and analyzed.

e. By **14 December 2009**, the Discharger shall submit a *Land Application Preparation Report* that describes the condition of the 79 acre LAA as ready to accept wastewater if needed due to a flood event. The 79 acre LAA does not have to be immediately used for land application of wastewater, but it shall be maintained in a condition that allows wastewater application should flood conditions prevent wastewater from being applied to other on-site LAAs.

f. By **17 June 2010**, the Discharger shall submit a *Hydrogeologic Investigation Report* that describes the findings of the hydrogeologic investigation and presents the results of the monitoring well installations at the site. If additional information is needed to characterize the hydrogeologic conditions at the site, recommendations for additional work shall be included in the report.

g. By **1 July 2013**, the Discharger shall submit a *Background Groundwater Quality Standard Report* that presents a summary of all monitoring data (including data obtained prior to adoption of this Order), determines the background groundwater quality, and verifies the Discharger’s Antidegradation Study. The determination of background groundwater quality shall be made using the methods approved by the Executive Officer, and shall be based on data from at least 12 consecutive groundwater monitoring events. For each monitoring constituent, the report shall compare the measured concentration in each compliance monitoring well with the proposed background concentration. The report shall propose a background groundwater value for FDS and all constituents listed in Groundwater Limitations F.2 for the land application areas. The background value will be used to determine the need to reopen the order to revise the FDS Annual Average Effluent Limit described in Effluent Limitation C.1. On **1 July 2013** if the determination indicates:

   i. The FDS background groundwater value is higher than the Annual Average Effluent Limit specified in Effluent Limitation C.1, the Discharger may petition the Central Valley Water Board for consideration of establishing a higher Annual Average Effluent Limit or take no action.

   ii. The FDS background groundwater value is lower than the Annual Average Effluent Limit specified in Effluent Limitation C.1, the Discharger shall submit a Facility Improvement Workplan by **1 December 2013** that will describe the improvements or operational changes it will implement at the facility and a schedule to allow the discharge to comply with the Groundwater Limitation F.1.

2. In accordance with California Business and Professions Code Sections 6735, 7835, and 7835.1, engineering and geologic evaluations and judgments shall be performed by or under the direction of registered professionals competent and proficient in the fields pertinent to the required activities. All technical reports specified herein that contain workplans, that describe the conduct of investigations and studies, or that contain technical conclusions and recommendations concerning engineering and geology, shall be prepared by or under the direction of appropriately qualified professional(s), even if not explicitly stated. Each technical report submitted by the
Discharger shall contain a statement of qualifications of the responsible licensed professional(s) as well as the professional's signature and/or stamp of the seal.

3. The Discharger shall comply with the Monitoring and Reporting Program No. R5-2009-0073, which is part of this Order, and any revisions thereto as ordered by the Executive Officer.

4. The Discharger shall comply with the "Standard Provisions and Reporting Requirements for Waste Discharge Requirements", dated 1 March 1991, which are attached hereto and by reference a part of this Order. This attachment and its individual paragraphs are commonly referenced as "Standard Provision(s)."

5. In the event of any change in control or ownership of the facility or wastewater disposal areas, the Discharger must notify the succeeding owner or operator of the existence of this Order by letter, a copy of which shall be immediately forwarded to this office. To assume operation as Discharger under this Order, the succeeding owner or operator must apply in writing to the Executive Officer requesting transfer of the Order. The request must contain the requesting entity's full legal name, the state of incorporation if a corporation, the name and address and telephone number of the persons responsible for contact with the Central Valley Water Board, and a statement. The statement shall comply with the signatory paragraph of Standard Provision B.3 and state that the new owner or operator assumes full responsibility for compliance with this Order. Failure to submit the request shall be considered a discharge without requirements, a violation of the California Water Code. Transfer shall be approved or disapproved by the Executive Officer.

6. The Discharger shall submit to the Central Valley Water Board on or before each compliance report due date the specified document, or if appropriate, a written report detailing compliance or noncompliance with the specified schedule date and task. If noncompliance is reported, then the Discharger shall state the reasons for noncompliance and shall provide a schedule to come into compliance.

7. The Discharger shall report to the Central Valley Water Board any toxic chemical release data it reports to the State Emergency Response Commission within 15 days of reporting the data to the Commission pursuant to Section 313 of the "Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know Act of 1986."

8. The Discharger shall report promptly to the Central Valley Water Board any material change or proposed change in the character, location, or volume of the discharge.

9. The Discharger must comply with all conditions of this Order, including timely submittal of technical and monitoring reports as directed by the Executive Officer. Violations may result in enforcement action, including Central Valley Water Board or court orders requiring corrective action or imposing civil monetary liability, or in revision or rescission of this Order.

10. A copy of this Order shall be kept at the discharge facility for reference by operating personnel. Key operating personnel shall be familiar with its contents.

11. The Central Valley Water Board will review this Order periodically and will revise requirements when necessary.
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 13 March 2009 and amended by Order R5-2012-0078 on 3 August 2012.

Original signed by

PAMELA C. CREEDON, Executive Officer
ORDER NO. R5-2009-0073
ATTACHMENT E
REQUIREMENTS FOR MONITORING WELL INSTALLATION WORKPLANS AND MONITORING WELL INSTALLATION REPORTS

Prior to installation of groundwater monitoring wells, the Discharger shall submit a workplan containing, at a minimum, the information listed in Section 1, below. Wells may be installed after staff approve the workplan. Upon installation of the monitoring wells, the Discharger shall submit a well installation report which includes the information contained in Section 2, below. All workplans and reports must be prepared under the direction of, and signed by, a registered geologist or civil engineer licensed by the State of California.

SECTION 1 - Monitoring Well Installation Workplan and Groundwater Sampling and Analysis Plan

The monitoring well installation workplan shall contain the following minimum information:

A. General Information:
   Purpose of the well installation project
   Brief description of local geologic and hydrogeologic conditions
   Proposed monitoring well locations and rationale for well locations
   Topographic map showing facility location, roads, and surface water bodies
   Large scaled site map showing all existing on-site wells, proposed wells, surface drainage courses, surface water bodies, buildings, waste handling facilities, utilities, and major physical and man-made features

B. Drilling Details:
   On-site supervision of drilling and well installation activities
   Description of drilling equipment and techniques
   Equipment decontamination procedures
   Soil sampling intervals (if appropriate) and logging methods

C. Monitoring Well Design (in narrative and/or graphic form):
   Diagram of proposed well construction details
   - Borehole diameter
   - Casing and screen material, diameter, and centralizer spacing (if needed)
   - Type of well caps (bottom cap either screw on or secured with stainless steel screws)
   - Anticipated depth of well, length of well casing, and length and position of perforated interval
   - Thickness, position and composition of surface seal, sanitary seal, and sand pack
   - Anticipated screen slot size and filter pack

D. Well Development (not to be performed until at least 48 hours after sanitary seal placement):

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Method of development to be used (i.e., surge, bail, pump, etc.)
Parameters to be monitored during development and record keeping technique
Method of determining when development is complete
Disposal of development water

E. Well Survey (precision of vertical survey data shall be at least 0.01 foot):
   Identify the Licensed Land Surveyor or Civil Engineer that will perform the survey
   Datum for survey measurements
   List well features to be surveyed (i.e. top of casing, horizontal and vertical coordinates,
   etc.)

F. Schedule for Completion of Work

G. Appendix: Groundwater Sampling and Analysis Plan (SAP)
The Groundwater SAP shall be included as an appendix to the workplan, and shall be
utilized as a guidance document that is referred to by individuals responsible for
conducting groundwater monitoring and sampling activities.

Provide a detailed written description of standard operating procedures for the following:
- Equipment to be used during sampling
- Equipment decontamination procedures
- Water level measurement procedures
- Well purging (include a discussion of procedures to follow if three casing volumes
  cannot be purged)
- Monitoring and record keeping during water level measurement and well purging
  (include copies of record keeping logs to be used)
- Purge water disposal
- Analytical methods and required reporting limits
- Sample containers and preservatives
- Sampling
  - General sampling techniques
  - Record keeping during sampling (include copies of record keeping logs to be used)
    - QA/QC samples
- Chain of Custody
- Sample handling and transport

SECTION 2 - Monitoring Well Installation Report

The monitoring well installation report must provide the information listed below. In addition, the
report must also clearly identify, describe, and justify any deviations from the approved workplan.

A. General Information:
   Purpose of the well installation project
   Brief description of local geologic and hydrogeologic conditions encountered during
   installation of the wells
   Number of monitoring wells installed and copies of County Well Construction Permits
   Topographic map showing facility location, roads, surface water bodies
Scaled site map showing all previously existing wells, newly installed wells, surface water bodies, buildings, waste handling facilities, utilities, and other major physical and man-made features.

B. Drilling Details (in narrative and/or graphic form):
   - On-site supervision of drilling and well installation activities
   - Drilling contractor and driller's name
   - Description of drilling equipment and techniques
   - Equipment decontamination procedures
   - Soil sampling intervals and logging methods
   - Well boring log
     - Well boring number and date drilled
     - Borehole diameter and total depth
     - Total depth of open hole (same as total depth drilled if no caving or back-grouting occurs)
     - Depth to first encountered groundwater and stabilized groundwater depth
     - Detailed description of soils encountered, using the Unified Soil Classification System

C. Well Construction Details (in narrative and/or graphic form):
   - Well construction diagram, including:
     - Monitoring well number and date constructed
     - Casing and screen material, diameter, and centralizer spacing (if needed)
     - Length of well casing, and length and position of perforated interval
     - Thickness, position and composition of surface seal, sanitary seal, and sand pack
     - Type of well caps (bottom cap either screw on or secured with stainless steel screws)

E. Well Development:
   - Date(s) and method of development
   - How well development completion was determined
   - Volume of water purged from well and method of development water disposal
   - Field notes from well development should be included in report

F. Well Survey (survey the top rim of the well casing with the cap removed):
   - Identify the coordinate system and datum for survey measurements
   - Describe the measuring points (i.e. ground surface, top of casing, etc.)
   - Present the well survey report data in a table
   - Include the Registered Engineer or Licensed Surveyor's report and field notes in appendix

Sacramento Non15 Unit: updated 3 March 2004
This Monitoring and Reporting Program (MRP) incorporates requirements for monitoring of the winery wastewater, wastewater ponds, stormwater pond, land application areas, solids, and groundwater. This MRP is issued pursuant to Water Code Section 13267. The Discharger shall not implement any changes to this MRP unless and until a revised MRP is issued by the Executive Officer.

All wastewater samples should be representative of the volume and nature of the discharge. The time, date, and location of each grab sample shall be recorded on the sample chain of custody form. Winery wastewater flow monitoring shall be conducted continuously using a flow meter and shall be reported in cumulative gallons per day.

Field test instruments (such as pH and dissolved oxygen) may be used provided that:

1. The operator is trained in the proper use of the instrument;
2. The instruments are field calibrated prior to each use;
3. Instruments are serviced and/or calibrated by the manufacturer at the recommended frequency; and
4. Field calibration reports are submitted as described in the “Reporting” section of this MRP.

WINERY WASTEWATER MONITORING

Winery wastewater samples shall be collected prior to discharge into the wastewater ponds. Monitoring shall include at least the following:

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¹ Continuous monitoring requires daily meter reading or automated data collection using a meter equipped with a totalizer. Total flow means the cumulative total for the calendar year.

² Five-day, 20°C Celsius Biochemical Oxygen Demand.

WASTEWATER POND MONITORING

Treated wastewater samples shall be collected from an established sampling station located in an area that will provide representative samples of the treated wastewater in the wastewater...
pond that will be applied to land. Samples shall be collected from the downstream (Pond No. 2) treatment pond. Note that some parameters (e.g., dissolved oxygen, freeboard, etc.) are monitored in both wastewater ponds (Ponds No. 1 and 2). Freeboard shall be measured vertically from the surface of the pond water to the lowest elevation of the surrounding berm and shall be measured to the nearest 0.1 feet. Flow monitoring of the outflow from the treatment ponds shall be reported in the Land Application Area Monitoring section of this MRP. Monitoring of the pond shall include, at a minimum, the following:

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¹ Samples shall be collected at a depth of one foot, opposite the inlet. Samples shall be collected between 0700 and 0900 hours.

² Parameter shall be measured in wastewater ponds (Ponds No. 1 and 2).

³ Standard minerals include the following: boron, calcium, iron, magnesium, manganese, potassium, sulfate, total alkalinity (including alkalinity series), and hardness.

**STORMWATER POND MONITORING**

The stormwater pond shall be monitored whenever there is water in it. Samples shall be collected from an established sampling station located in an area that will provide representative samples of the water in the pond. Freeboard shall be measured vertically from the surface of the pond water to the lowest elevation of the surrounding berm and shall be measured to the nearest 0.1 feet. Monitoring of the ponds shall include, at a minimum, the following:

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LAND APPLICATION AREA MONITORING

The Discharger shall monitor process wastewater discharged for irrigation to the land application area. Monitoring shall be conducted daily during operation and the results shall be included in the monthly monitoring report. Evidence of erosion, field saturation, runoff, or the presence of nuisance conditions shall be noted in the report. Loading rates for the land application areas shall be calculated. Monitoring of the land application areas shall include the following:

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1 Continuous monitoring requires daily meter reading or automated data collection and shall define the volume of wastewater discharged to the land application areas from the wastewater storage pond no. 2.
2 Supplemental irrigation flow amounts and irrigation amounts shall be metered or calculated.
3 Land Application Area(s) in use shall be identified by name or number and the acreage provided. If a portion of an area is used, then the acreage shall be estimated.
4 Calculate the daily application rate and the 7-day average application rate.
5 Total nitrogen applied from all sources, including fertilizers and supplemental irrigation water if used.
6 Report monthly total and cumulative annual to date.

At least once per week when wastewater is being applied to the land application areas, the entire application area shall be inspected to identify any equipment malfunction or other circumstance that might allow irrigation runoff to leave the area and/or create ponding.
conditions that violate the Waste Discharge Requirements. A log of these inspections shall be kept at the facility and be submitted with the monthly monitoring reports. If wastewater was not applied to the land application area, then the monthly monitoring reports shall so state.

**SOLIDS MONITORING**

The Discharger shall record and report monthly the quantity, drying location, storage location, disposal location, and method of disposal of solids disposed of during the processing season, as well as during the off-season, if applicable. If solid waste is shipped offsite during the reporting period, then an estimated amount and location of disposal shall be reported in the monthly report and the hauler identified.

The storage of any pomace or used diatomaceous earth shall be described. The description shall include the material stored, approximate amount stored, location of storage, and measures implemented to prevent leachate generation or control and dispose of any leachate that is generated.

**GROUNDWATER MONITORING**

Prior to construction and/or sampling of any groundwater monitoring wells, the Discharger shall submit plans and specifications to the Board for approval. Once installed, all new wells shall be added to the monitoring network (which currently consists of Monitoring Wells Nos. GW-1, GW-2, GW-3, GW-4, GW-5, GW-6, and GW-7) and shall be sampled and analyzed according to the schedule below. All samples shall be collected using approved EPA methods. Water table elevations shall be calculated to determine groundwater gradient and direction of flow.

Prior to sampling, the groundwater elevations shall be measured and the wells shall be purged of at least three well volumes until temperature, pH, and electrical conductivity have stabilized. Depth to groundwater shall be measured to the nearest 0.01 feet. Groundwater monitoring shall include, at a minimum, the following:

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DOMESTIC WASTEWATER SYSTEM MONITORING WELLS

Three wells were installed as part of the domestic wastewater system permitting program. Those wells (Wells Nos. DWS-1, DWS-2, and DWS-3) shall be sampled in addition to the other site monitoring wells according to the schedule below. All samples shall be collected using approved EPA methods. Water table elevations shall be used in conjunction with the other site monitoring wells to determine groundwater gradient and direction of flow.

Prior to sampling, the groundwater elevations shall be measured and the wells shall be purged of at least three well volumes until temperature, pH, and electrical conductivity have stabilized. Depth to groundwater shall be measured to the nearest 0.01 feet. Groundwater monitoring shall include, at a minimum, the following:

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REPORTING

In reporting monitoring data, the Discharger shall arrange the data in tabular form so that the date, sample type (e.g., wastewater pond monitoring, groundwater monitoring well, etc.), and reported analytical result for each sample are readily discernible. The data shall be summarized in such a manner to clearly illustrate compliance with waste discharge requirements and spatial or temporal trends, as applicable. The results of any monitoring done more frequently than required at the locations specified in the Monitoring and Reporting Program shall be reported in the next scheduled monitoring report.

As required by the California Business and Professions Code Sections 6735, 7835, and 7835.1, all groundwater monitoring reports shall be prepared under the direct supervision of a registered professional engineer or geologist and signed by the registered professional.

A. Monthly Monitoring Reports

Monthly reports shall be submitted to the Regional Board by the 1st day of the second month following the end of the reporting period (i.e. the January monthly report is due by 1 March). Monthly reports for the months of March, June, September, and December may be submitted as part of the Quarterly Monitoring Report, if desired. The monthly reports shall include the following:

1. Results of winery wastewater, wastewater pond, stormwater pond, land application area, and solids monitoring;

2. A comparison of monitoring data to the discharge specifications and effluent limitations, disclosure of any violations of the WDRs, and an explanation of any violation of those requirements. Data shall be presented in tabular format. As described in the WDRs Effluent Limitations C.1, an average concentration of FDS in treated wastewater shall be calculated. The calculations shall include the following:
   i. On a month to month basis beginning each year in January the simple arithmetic average value shall be calculated. (The sum of all the concentration data shall be divided by the number of months data was collected). If for any reason, more than one data point is available for any month, that data shall be averaged before use in the running average calculation. No data shall be excluded from the calculation without a written explanation from the analytical laboratory.

3. If requested by staff, copies of laboratory analytical report(s);

4. A calibration log verifying calibration of all hand held monitoring instruments and devices used to comply with the prescribed monitoring program;

5. The cumulative volume of wastewater generated during the year to date;

6. The total pounds of total dissolved solids and fixed dissolved solids (year to date) that have been applied to the land application areas, as calculated from the sum of monthly loadings; and
7. The total pounds of nitrogen (year to date, from all sources including fertilizer) applied to the land application area as calculated from the sum of monthly loadings.

8. A summary of the quantity of solid waste (stems, pomace, diatomaceous earth, crops removed, etc.) generated and disposed of off-site.

9. If generated, a summary of the quantity of liquid waste (water softening ion exchange regeneration brine, wine treatment ion exchange regeneration brine, etc.) generated and disposed of off-site. Include a description of the disposal location for the material. If not generated, a statement stating so.

B. Quarterly Report

The Discharger shall establish a quarterly sampling schedule for groundwater monitoring such that samples are obtained approximately every three months. Quarterly monitoring reports shall be submitted to the Regional Board by the 1st day of the second month after the quarter (i.e., the January-March quarter is due by May 1st) each year. The Quarterly Report shall include the following:

1. Results of the quarterly monitoring of wastewater ponds (standard minerals analysis).

2. Results of groundwater monitoring;

3. A narrative description of all preparatory, monitoring, sampling, and analytical testing activities for the groundwater monitoring. The narrative shall be sufficiently detailed to verify compliance with the WDR, this MRP, and the Standard Provisions and Reporting Requirements. The narrative shall be supported by field logs for each well documenting depth to groundwater; parameters measured before, during, and after purging; method of purging; calculation of casing volume; and total volume of water purged;

4. Calculation of groundwater elevations, an assessment of groundwater flow direction and gradient on the date of measurement, comparison of previous flow direction and gradient data, and discussion of seasonal trends if any;

5. A narrative discussion of the analytical results for all groundwater locations monitored including spatial and temporal trends, with reference to summary data tables, graphs, and appended analytical reports (as applicable);

6. A comparison of monitoring data to the groundwater limitations and an explanation of any violation of those requirements;

7. Summary data tables of historical and current water table elevations and analytical results;

8. A scaled map showing relevant structures and features of the facility, the locations of monitoring wells and any other sampling stations, and groundwater elevation contours referenced to mean sea level datum; and
9. Copies of laboratory analytical report(s) for groundwater monitoring.

C. Annual Report

Annual Report shall be prepared as the December monthly monitoring report. The Annual Report shall be submitted to the Regional Board by 1 February each year. In addition to the data normally presented, the Annual Report shall include the following:

1. The contents of a regular December monthly monitoring report.

2. The contents of the regular quarterly monitoring report for the last quarter of the year.

3. Tabular and graphical summaries of all data collected during the year.

4. Tabular and graphical summaries of historical monthly total loading rates for wastewater generation, process water used for irrigation (hydraulic loading in gallons/acre and inches), total nitrogen, total dissolved solids, and fixed dissolved solids.

5. A comprehensive evaluation of the effectiveness of the past year's wastewater application operation in terms of odor control and groundwater protection, including consideration of application management practices (e.g.: waste constituent and hydraulic loadings, application cycles, drying times, and cropping practices), and groundwater monitoring data.

6. A summary of the vegetative material (crops) removed from the LAAs. The summary shall include harvest dates, crop type, disposal area, and estimated ash content of the harvest.

7. A summary of the quantity of solid waste (lees, stems, pomace, diatomaceous earth, etc.) generated and disposed of off-site.

8. An evaluation of the groundwater quality beneath the land application area.

9. Updated background groundwater values using data from site wells, and Executive Officer approved data analysis methods. A comparison of the background groundwater concentration and annual average effluent FDS concentrations as described in the Monthly Monitoring Reports Item A.2.i.

10. An evaluation of the effectiveness in preventing waste constituents from being discharged to the stormwater pond. The evaluation shall include a summary of data collected at the stormwater pond and an evaluation of groundwater quality trends at the stormwater pond.

11. A description of source control methods that have been implemented in the calendar year.

12. Estimated flows for the next calendar year.
13. A discussion of compliance and corrective actions taken, as well as any planned or proposed actions needed to bring the discharge into full compliance with the waste discharge requirements.

14. A discussion of any data gaps and potential deficiencies/redundancies in the monitoring system or reporting program.

A letter transmitting the self-monitoring reports shall accompany each report. Such a letter shall include a discussion of requirement violations found during the reporting period, and actions taken or planned for correcting noted violations, such as operation or facility modifications. If the Discharger has previously submitted a report describing corrective actions and/or a time schedule for implementing the corrective actions, reference to the previous correspondence will be satisfactory. The transmittal letter shall contain a statement by the Discharger, or the Discharger's authorized agent, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of the signer's knowledge the report is true, accurate and complete.

The Discharger shall implement the above monitoring program as of the date of this Order.

Ordered by: 

\[Signature\]  
PAMELA C. CREEDON, Executive Officer  
August 13, 2009  
(Date)

TRO: 8/13/09

AMENDED
INFORMATION SHEET

ORDER NO. R5-2009-0073
SUTTER HOME WINERY
SUTTER HOME WINERY WESTSIDE FACILITY
SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY

Sutter Home Winery owns and operates a wine processing facility located at 18667 Jacob Brack Road, Lodi, San Joaquin County. The facility was constructed in 1998. The facility is presently operated as a non-distilling, non-crushing, non-fermenting wine finishing and storage facility. No bottling or packaging of wine is presently performed at the facility. However, the Discharger has decided to begin grape crushing and fermenting in addition to continuing wine storage and stabilization activities. At this time, the Discharger is not proposing to begin bottling activities at the site.

Report of Waste Discharge Submittal
The Report of Waste Discharge (RWD) was submitted to allow an expansion of activities at the site. The Discharger submitted an RWD dated 31 October 2008 for treatment and land application of wastewater generated at the facility and an expansion that will allow grape crushing and fermentation. Additional information was submitted on 27 February and 27 May 2007. Because the winery has not begun crushing grapes, wastewater generation rates and quality were estimated from another winery that the Discharger owns and operates in St. Helena, Napa County.

Wastewater Generation
Wastewater is, or will be, generated in tank cleaning and sanitation activities, portable clean-in-place system activities, and cooling system condensate. Stormwater that falls on the winery and mixes with wastewater is treated as wastewater. Because the Discharger has limited wastewater storage capacity wastewater cannot be stored until the summer growing season. Wastewater will be discharged to Land Application Areas (LAAAs) all year. Winery wastewater is typically high in Total Dissolved Solids (TDS), Fixed Dissolved Solids (FDS), biochemical oxygen demand, and nitrogen concentrations.

Wastewater flow rates are anticipated to vary from approximately 43,000 to 120,000 gallons per day. The highest wastewater flows are expected during grape crushing activities. Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) Order No. R5-2002-0034 allowed a monthly average dry weather flow rate of 16,000 gallons per day (gpd). The tentative WDRs allow a monthly average maximum flow limit of 3.8 million gallons per month or an annual total of 30 million gallons of wastewater/stormwater mixtures.

The flow limit will allow the Discharger flexibility in managing wastewater application because in most months the wastewater generation will be less than the monthly average limit. The total flow limit is designed to control the total loading rate of the land application area with waste constituents. The Order includes Discharge Prohibitions, Specifications, Effluent Limitations, and Land Application Area Requirements that will prevent nuisance conditions and/or overloading the land application areas.

Wastewater is collected in wastewater sumps and discharged to Ponds No. 1 and 2. The ponds are double lined with synthetic liners and are equipped with aerators. From the ponds,
wastewater is applied to the LAAs. Historically, 15.5 acres of LAAs were available at the facility; as part of the facility expansion an additional 92 acres of LAA is immediately available, and an additional 79 acres can be used for land application once configured to comply with the Order.

**Land Application Areas**
The FDS loading rate is estimated to be 1,651 lbs/ac\( \cdot \)year. Significant efforts to maintain a low FDS concentration in the winery wastewater will be required to minimize the loading rate and protect groundwater quality. The loading rate presented above is based on a winery wastewater FDS concentration of 730 mg/L. The RWD indicates that value is achievable with significant source control, but evapoconcentration in the treatment ponds will increase the value in treated wastewater (as well as reduce the amount of wastewater to be applied). The effluent limit included in the WDRs is to be applied at the outflow of the last (downstream) treatment pond (Pond No. 2). More than one limit for FDS is provided; a daily and monthly maximum of 1,500 mg/L, and an annual average of 1,100 mg/L. The daily/monthly maximum of 1,500 is expected to be achievable year round with source control. However, due to evapoconcentration in the wastewater ponds, FDS concentrations are anticipated to increase during the summer months.

Nitrogen compounds are not expected to degrade groundwater quality because the proposed nitrogen loading rate is less than the likely crop uptake rate. The nitrogen loading rate is estimated to be 79.2 lbs/ac\( \cdot \)year; nitrogen crop uptake rate is estimated to be 200 lbs/ac\( \cdot \)year. Uptake of nitrogen should not pose a problem for the Discharger unless the character of the wastewater changes in the future or higher loading rates occur.

The Discharger prepared an antidegradation analysis as part of the RWD. The study reports treated wastewater with an FDS concentration of 1,500 mg/L at an annual flow rate of 28.4 million gallons per year can be applied to the LAAs without resulting in increased FDS concentrations above the calculated TDS ambient groundwater concentration of 607 mg/L. Substantial amounts of low FDS supplemental irrigation water is required in the management plan. High quality irrigation water is available from the Woodbridge Irrigation District (WID) irrigation canal, which is adjacent to the winery.

Because wastewater will not provide adequate water to meet the crop demand, supplemental water will be applied to the LAA. WID irrigation water will be used to provide supplemental irrigation water. The irrigation water quality was characterized from four water sampling events; the average FDS concentration was 50 mg/L.

**Stormwater**
Stormwater is handled differently depending upon where it falls, and if it has mixed with wastewater. The stormwater pond has a capacity of approximately 4.9 Mgal. Stormwater draining from roofed areas and surrounding surface areas not mixed with wastewater is discharged to the stormwater pond. Stormwater that falls onto exterior tank and wine processing areas without roof cover is collected in the facility’s wastewater drainage system.
During winery operations, the wastewater/stormwater mixture is pumped to the wastewater ponds. However, during high precipitation events when winery operations are not occurring the sumps are flushed to remove residual wastewater from the drainage area, piping, and sumps. That wastewater/stormwater mixture is discharged to the wastewater ponds. After the sumps discharge three sump volumes, subsequently collected stormwater is routed via an automated valve to the stormwater pond.

Stormwater quality has been monitored at the facility since 2002. The data collected shows that the Discharger’s program to separate wastewater from stormwater has been generally successful. The Monitoring and Reporting Program requires continued monitoring of the stormwater pond so the effectiveness of the wastewater separation from stormwater can be determined.

**Background Groundwater Quality**

The Discharger has investigated on-site groundwater quality by installing and sampling groundwater monitoring wells, sampling the water supply well, and performing 11 direct push soil borings and collection of grab groundwater samples.

The groundwater data indicates highly variable groundwater quality across the site. All of the reasons for the variability are not known; but the low groundwater gradient, past land use, localized discharge of both high and low quality wastewater/stormwater, and nearby irrigation canals are probable influences. This Order requires installation of additional wells and further evaluation of groundwater quality at the site. As presently understood, the following can be stated regarding TDS and Electrical Conductivity (EC) data:

- Although no winery wastewater has been applied in the new land application areas, many of the highest EC values reported came from samples collected there.

- Upgradient groundwater quality is highly variable. Along the upgradient property boundary, EC values ranged from 774 umhos/cm to 1,630 umhos/cm. The cause of the variability is unknown.

- The TDS and EC data collected at existing Ponds A and B may require further investigation. Although not conclusive, the data may indicate groundwater degradation associated with the ponds. The Discharger has stated the ponds will no longer be used for wastewater treatment or storage and will be decommissioned.

With respect to nitrate as nitrogen data:

- Although no winery wastewater has been applied in the new land application areas, many of the highest nitrate as nitrogen values reported came from samples collected there.
• Upgradient groundwater quality is highly variable. Along the upgradient property boundary
nitrate as nitrogen values ranged from 0.41 mg/L to 37.5 mg/L. The cause of the
variability is unknown.

Additional study of the nearby irrigation canals (including the abandoned canal that bisected
the property previously and is shown on groundwater monitoring reports) is needed to
understand the relationship between surface water quality and site groundwater quality.
Groundwater quality in the supply well is significantly better than the shallow groundwater
quality. However, that assessment is based on the data from only one well.

The Order requires a Hydrogeologic Investigation and a Background Groundwater Quality
Standard Report that will determine the background groundwater value and compare that
value to the average annual effluent limit included in the effluent limits. If the background
value is higher than the annual average effluent limit, the Discharger may petition the Central
Valley Water Board for consideration of increasing the effluent limit. If the FDS background
groundwater value is lower then the annual average limit, the Discharger must submit a
Facility Improvement Workplan that describes changes at the facility and an implementation
schedule to comply with the background groundwater value (and Groundwater Limitation F.1).
The Discharger may use the statistical methods approved by the Executive Officer to develop
background values.

Solids Disposal
Pomace and diatomaceous earth (DE) will be drained on a paved area equipped with drains
that will collect leachate and/or stormwater. The WDRs prohibit placing pomace or other solid
waste associated with the winery on unpaved ground because of the possibility wastewater
leaching from the piles or of stormwater mobilizing wastewater constituents. The Discharger
will have to dispose of pomace and diatomaceous earth at off-site areas because there is not
adequate LAAs at the facility.

Effluent Limitations
An effluent limitation for FDS is included in the WDRs. Interim limits were established pending
completion of the Background Groundwater Quality Standard Report. The limits are believed
to be protective of groundwater quality but better characterization of groundwater quality is
needed. The Discharger prepared an antidegradation study as part of the RWD. The study
reports treated wastewater with an FDS concentration of 1,500 mg/L at an annual flow rate of
28.4 million gallons per year can be applied to the LAAs without resulting in increased FDS
concentrations above the calculated TDS ambient groundwater concentration of 607 mg/L.
(The mixed units are a result of the previous monitoring and reporting program which required
monitoring of TDS concentrations in groundwater. In groundwater, the Antidegradation
Analysis study assumed all TDS was in the form of FDS.) Substantial amounts of low FDS
supplemental irrigation water is required for the plan to succeed. High quality irrigation water
is available from the Woodbridge Irrigation District (WID) irrigation canal, which is adjacent to
the winery. Because the annual average effluent limitation is lower (1,100 mg/L) than the
concentration used in the Antidegradation Analysis, additional protection for groundwater quality may be provided.

Section F presents interim groundwater limits that are effective immediately and require no degradation beyond existing background groundwater quality. Final groundwater limits are effective on 1 July 2014 and provide numeric limits, or background groundwater concentrations, whichever is greater.

Wastewater loading limits for the LAAs are included for Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD). The BOD limit is intended to minimize the possibility of odors being generated by the land application. The BOD limits are 300 lbs/ac•day and 100 lbs/ac•day as a cycle loading rate.

**Basin Plan, Beneficial Uses, and Regulatory Considerations**
Surface water from the facility is to the Mokelumne River. The *Water Quality Control Plan for the California Regional Water Quality Control Board Central Valley Region, Fourth Edition* (Basin Plan), designates beneficial uses, establishes water quality objectives, and contains implementation plans and policies for all waters of the Basin. Beneficial uses often determine the water quality objectives that apply to a water body. For example, waters designated as municipal and domestic supply must meet the Maximum Contaminant Levels (MCLs) for drinking waters. The Basin Plan sets forth the applicable beneficial uses (industrial, agricultural, and domestic and municipal supply in this instance) of groundwater, procedure for application of water quality objectives, and the process for and factors to consider in allocating waste assimilation capacity.

**Antidegradation**
The antidegradation directives of State Water Board Resolution No. 68-16, “Statement of Policy With Respect to Maintaining High Quality Waters in California,” or “Antidegradation Policy” require that waters of the State that are better in quality than established water quality objectives be maintained "consistent with the maximum benefit to the people of the State." Waters can be of high quality for some constituents or beneficial uses and not others. Policies and procedures for complying with this directive are set forth in the Basin Plan.

Resolution 68-16 is applied on a case-by-case, constituent-by-constituent basis in determining whether a certain degree of degradation can be justified. It is incumbent upon the Discharger to provide technical information for the Regional Board to evaluate and fully characterizes:

- All waste constituents to be discharged;
- The background quality of the uppermost layer of the uppermost aquifer;
- The background quality of other waters that may be affected;
- The underlying hydrogeologic conditions;
- Waste treatment and control measures;
- How treatment and control measures are justified as best practicable treatment and control;
- The extent the discharge will impact the quality of each aquifer; and
The expected degree of degradation below water quality objectives.

In allowing a discharge, the Regional Board must comply with CWC Section 13263 in setting appropriate conditions. The Regional Board is required, relative to the groundwater that may be affected by the discharge, to implement the Basin Plan and consider the beneficial uses to be protected along with the water quality objectives essential for that purpose. The Regional Board need not authorize the full utilization of the waste assimilation capacity of the groundwater (CWC 13263(b)) and must consider other waste discharges and factors that affect that capacity.

Groundwater monitoring has been conducted at the site and groundwater quality at the site is highly variable. The Antidegradation Analysis reported that groundwater would not be degraded by the discharge. However, better characterization of the groundwater quality is required and the proposed Order establishes effluent limitations below the concentrations included in the Antidegradation Analysis as an preventive measure to prevent degradation while the hydrogeologic studies are performed.

**Treatment Technology and Control**

Given the character of food processing wastewater, slow rate land treatment or secondary treatment technology is generally sufficient to control degradation of groundwater from decomposable organic constituents. But slow rate treatment may not control all waste constituents such as FDS.

Food processing wastewater typically contains nitrogen in concentrations greater than water quality objectives, which vary according to the form of nitrogen. Groundwater degradation by nitrogen can be controlled by an appropriate screening, settling, and slow rate land application with cropping activities when crops are harvested and removed from the land application area. The effectiveness varies, but generally best practicable treatment and control is able to control nitrogen degradation of groundwater at a concentration well below the water quality objectives.

Dissolved solids can pass through the treatment process and soil profile; effective control of such constituents relies primarily upon source control and pretreatment measures. If not managed carefully, long-term land discharge of food processing wastewater is likely to degrade groundwater with dissolved solids (as measured by FDS). Source control is an effective means to prevent groundwater degradation by FDS.

A discharge of wastewater that overloads soils with nutrients and organics can result in anaerobic conditions in the soil profile, which in turn creates organic acids and decreases soil pH. Under conditions of low soil pH (below 5), iron and manganese compounds in the soil can solubilize and leach into groundwater. Overloading the land application areas is preventable. However, soil is expected to provide adequate buffering of acidic or basic wastewater.
Title 27
Title 27, CCR, Section 20005 et seq. ("Title 27"), contains regulations to address certain discharges to land. Title 27 establishes a waste classification system, specifies siting and construction standards for containment of classified waste, requires extensive monitoring of groundwater and the unsaturated zone for any indication of failure of containment, and specifies closure and post-closure maintenance requirements. Generally, no degradation of groundwater quality by any waste constituent is acceptable under Title 27 regulations.

The discharge of wastewater and the operation of storage facilities associated with a wastewater application can be allowed without requiring compliance with Title 27 only if groundwater degradation complies with the Basin Plan, Resolution No. 68-16 (Antidegradation Policy), and does not violate any water quality objectives.

Based upon available information this discharge meets the criteria for an exemption from the requirements of Consolidated Regulation for Treatment, Storage, Processing, or Disposal of Solid Waste, as set forth in Title 27, CCR, Division 2, Subdivision 1, Section 20005, et seq., (Title 27). Studies submitted by the Discharger conclude that compliance with effluent limits and management practices in these WDRs will achieve compliance with the Basin Plan. These WDRs contain schedules to fully characterize wastewater quality and background groundwater quality to verify the results of the discharger's hydrologic studies. In the interim:

a. The Regional Water Board is issuing waste discharge requirements,

b. Based upon available information, compliance with the Effluent Limitations and Land Application Area Requirements will result in compliance with the Basin Plan, as discussed below. As this facility does not currently exist as proposed in this Order, wastewater characterization and management practices were developed based upon best professional judgment using data obtained from similar facilities owned and operated by the Discharger. The compliance schedule in Provision G.1, requires that on or before 1 July 2013, the Discharger submit additional site-specific information on wastewater quality and background groundwater quality, and an evaluation of the impact of the wastewater discharge on the groundwater.

   i. Groundwater quality is highly variable across the site. This Order contains a compliance study that requires the Discharger to further investigate groundwater quality and determine the background groundwater value. The background groundwater value will be used to determine the need for additional facility improvements.

   ii. The surrounding area contains numerous confined animal operations and a long history of intensive agricultural operation. Background groundwater quality is believed to be degraded by the historic use.

   iii. The Discharger has prepared an Antidegradation Study that shows wastewater with a FDS concentration of 1,500 mg/L could be mixed with WID supplemental irrigation
water and applied to LAAs with no groundwater degradation. This Order limits the treated wastewater (effluent from Pond No. 2) FDS concentration to a monthly maximum of 1,500 mg/L and an annual average of 1,100 mg/L.

iv. The Discharger is increasing the LAA acreage from 15.5 acres, to an immediately available 107.5 acres; an additional 79 acres are available for use in the future.

v. The Discharger has committed to source control in the winery which is anticipated to minimize the salinity of the discharge.

c. The wastewater does not need to be managed according to Title 22 CCR, Division 4.5, and Chapter 11, as a hazardous waste.

Monitoring Requirements
Section 13267 of the CWC authorizes the Regional Board to require monitoring and technical reports as necessary to investigate the impact of a waste discharge on waters of the state. In recent years there has been increased emphasis on obtaining all necessary information, assuring the information is timely as well as representative and accurate, and thereby improving accountability of any discharger for meeting the conditions of discharge. Section 13268 of the CWC authorizes assessment civil administrative liability where appropriate.

The proposed Order includes winery wastewater, wastewater pond, stormwater pond, land application area, solids, and groundwater monitoring. In order to adequately characterize wastewater, the Discharger is required to monitor for BOD, pH nitrogen compounds, dissolved solids (TDS and FDS), sodium, chloride, and standard minerals.

Title 27 regulations pertaining to groundwater monitoring and the detection and characterization of waste constituents in groundwater have been in effect and successfully implemented for many years. No regulation currently specifies similar criteria more suitable for a situation where extensive land application of food processing wastewater occurs. It is appropriate that the Title 27 groundwater monitoring procedures be extended and applied on a case-by-case basis under Water Code Section 13267.

The Discharger must monitor groundwater for wastewater constituents expected to be present in the discharge, capable of reaching groundwater, and violating groundwater limitations if treatment, control, and environmental attenuation prove to be inadequate. Background groundwater quality is characterized but the high variation in groundwater quality indicates additional hydrogeologic study is needed. Determination of background quality has not been formalized. The Order requires that determination.

TRO: 8/13/09

AMENDED
A. General Provisions:

1. The requirements prescribed herein do not authorize the commission of any act causing injury to the property of another, or protect the Discharger from liabilities under federal, state, or local laws. This Order does not convey any property rights or exclusive privileges.

2. The provisions of this Order are severable. If any provision of this Order is held invalid, the remainder of this Order shall not be affected.

3. After notice and opportunity for a hearing, this Order may be terminated or modified for cause, including, but not limited to:
   
   a. Violation of any term or condition contained in this Order;

   b. Obtaining this Order by misrepresentation, or failure to disclose fully all relevant facts;

   c. A change in any condition that results in either a temporary or permanent need to reduce or eliminate the authorized discharge;

   d. A material change in the character, location, or volume of discharge.

4. Before making a material change in the character, location, or volume of discharge, the discharger shall file a new Report of Waste Discharge with the Regional Board. A material change includes, but is not limited to, the following:

   a. An increase in area or depth to be used for solid waste disposal beyond that specified in waste discharge requirements.

   b. A significant change in disposal method, location or volume, e.g., change from land disposal to land treatment.

   c. The addition of a major industrial, municipal or domestic waste discharge facility.

   d. The addition of a major industrial waste discharge to a discharge of essentially domestic sewage, or the addition of a new process or product by an industrial facility resulting in a change in the character of the waste.
5. Except for material determined to be confidential in accordance with California law and regulations, all reports prepared in accordance with terms of this Order shall be available for public inspection at the offices of the Board. Data on waste discharges, water quality, geology, and hydrogeology shall not be considered confidential.

6. The discharger shall take all reasonable steps to minimize any adverse impact to the waters of the state resulting from noncompliance with this Order. Such steps shall include accelerated or additional monitoring as necessary to determine the nature and impact of the noncompliance.

7. The discharger shall maintain in good working order and operate as efficiently as possible any facility, control system, or monitoring device installed to achieve compliance with the waste discharge requirements.

8. The discharger shall permit representatives of the Regional Board (hereafter Board) and the State Water Resources Control Board, upon presentations of credentials, to:
   a. Enter premises where wastes are treated, stored, or disposed of and facilities in which any records are kept,
   b. Copy any records required to be kept under terms and conditions of this Order,
   c. Inspect at reasonable hours, monitoring equipment required by this Order, and
   d. Sample, photograph and video tape any discharge, waste, waste management unit, or monitoring device.

9. For any electrically operated equipment at the site, the failure of which would cause loss of control or containment of waste materials, or violation of this Order, the discharger shall employ safeguards to prevent loss of control over wastes. Such safeguards may include alternate power sources, standby generators, retention capacity, operating procedures, or other means.

10. The fact that it would have been necessary to halt or reduce the permitted activity in Order to maintain compliance with this Order shall not be a defense for the discharger's violations of the Order.

11. Neither the treatment nor the discharge shall create a condition of nuisance or pollution as defined by the California Water Code, Section 13050.

12. The discharge shall remain within the designated disposal area at all times.

B. General Reporting Requirements:

1. In the event the discharger does not comply or will be unable to comply with any prohibition or limitation of this Order for any reason, the discharger shall notify the Board by telephone at (916) 464-3291 [Note: Current phone numbers for all three Regional Board offices may be found on the internet at http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/rwqcb5/contact_us/] as soon as it or its agents
have knowledge of such noncompliance or potential for noncompliance, and shall confirm this notification in writing within **two weeks**. The written notification shall state the nature, time and cause of noncompliance, and shall include a timetable for corrective actions.

2. The discharger shall have a plan for preventing and controlling accidental discharges, and for minimizing the effect of such events.

   This plan shall:

   a. Identify the possible sources of accidental loss or leakage of wastes from each waste management, treatment, or disposal facility.

   b. Evaluate the effectiveness of present waste management/treatment units and operational procedures, and identify needed changes of contingency plans.

   c. Predict the effectiveness of the proposed changes in waste management/treatment facilities and procedures and provide an implementation schedule containing interim and final dates when changes will be implemented.

   The Board, after review of the plan, may establish conditions that it deems necessary to control leakages and minimize their effects.

3. All reports shall be signed by persons identified below:

   a. **For a corporation:** by a principal executive officer of at least the level of senior vice-president.

   b. **For a partnership or sole proprietorship:** by a general partner or the proprietor.

   c. **For a municipality, state, federal or other public agency:** by either a principal executive officer or ranking elected or appointed official.

   d. A duly authorized representative of a person designated in 3a, 3b or 3c of this requirement if:

      (1) the authorization is made in writing by a person described in 3a, 3b or 3c of this provision;

      (2) the authorization specifies either an individual or a position having responsibility for the overall operation of the regulated facility or activity, such as the position of plant manager, operator of a waste management unit, superintendent, or position of equivalent responsibility. (A duly authorized representative may thus be either a named individual or any individual occupying a named position); and

      (3) the written authorization is submitted to the Board
Any person signing a document under this Section shall make the following certification:

"I certify under penalty of law that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted in this document and all attachments and that, based on my inquiry of the those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, I believe that the information is true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment."

4. Technical and monitoring reports specified in this Order are requested pursuant to Section 13267 of the Water Code. Failing to furnish the reports by the specified deadlines and falsifying information in the reports, are misdemeanors that may result in assessment of civil liabilities against the discharger.

5. The discharger shall mail a copy of each monitoring report and any other reports required by this Order to:

California Regional Water Quality Control Board
Central Valley Region
11020 Sun Center Drive, #200
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670-6114

Note: Current addresses for all three Regional Board offices may be found on the internet at http://www.swcb.ca.gov/rwqcb5/contact_us.
or the current address if the office relocates.

C. Provisions for Monitoring:

1. All analyses shall be made in accordance with the latest edition of: (1) Methods for Organic Chemical Analysis of Municipal and Industrial Wastewater (EPA 600 Series) and (2) Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste (SW 846-latest edition). The test method may be modified subject to application and approval of alternate test procedures under the Code of Federal Regulations (40 CFR 136).

2. Chemical, bacteriological, and bioassay analysis shall be conducted at a laboratory certified for such analyses by the State Department of Health Services. In the event a certified laboratory is not available to the discharger, analyses performed by a noncertified laboratory will be accepted provided a Quality Assurance-Quality Control Program is instituted by the laboratory. A manual containing the steps followed in this program must be kept in the laboratory and shall be available for inspection by Board staff. The Quality Assurance-Quality Control Program must conform to EPA guidelines or to procedures approved by the Board.

Unless otherwise specified, all metals shall be reported as Total Metals.

3. The discharger shall retain records of all monitoring information, including all calibration and maintenance records, all original strip chart recordings of continuous monitoring instrumentation, copies of all reports required by this Order, and records of all data used to
complete the application for this Order. Records shall be maintained for a minimum of three years from the date of the sample, measurement, report, or application. This period may be extended during the course of any unresolved litigation regarding this discharge or when requested by the Regional Board Executive Officer.

Record of monitoring information shall include:

a. the date, exact place, and time of sampling or measurements,
b. the individual(s) who performed the sampling of the measurements,
c. the date(s) analyses were performed,
d. the individual(s) who performed the analyses,
e. the laboratory which performed the analysis,
f. the analytical techniques or methods used, and
g. the results of such analyses.

4. All monitoring instruments and devices used by the discharger to fulfill the prescribed monitoring program shall be properly maintained and calibrated at least yearly to ensure their continued accuracy.

5. The discharger shall maintain a written sampling program sufficient to assure compliance with the terms of this Order. Anyone performing sampling on behalf of the discharger shall be familiar with the sampling plan.

6. The discharger shall construct all monitoring wells to meet or exceed the standards stated in the State Department of Water Resources Bulletin 74-81 and subsequent revisions, and shall comply with the reporting provisions for wells required by Water Code Sections 13750 through 13755.22

D. Standard Conditions for Facilities Subject to California Code of Regulations, Title 23, Division3, Chapter 15 (Chapter 15)

1. All classified waste management units shall be designed under the direct supervision of a California registered civil engineer or a California certified engineering geologist. Designs shall include a Construction Quality Assurance Plan, the purpose of which is to:

a. demonstrate that the waste management unit has been constructed according to the specifications and plans as approved by the Board.

b. provide quality control on the materials and construction practices used to construct the waste management unit and prevent the use of inferior products and/or materials which do not meet the approved design plans or specifications.

2. Prior to the discharge of waste to any classified waste management unit, a California registered civil engineer or a California certified engineering geologist must certify that the waste management unit meets the construction or prescriptive standards and performance goals in Chapter 15, unless an engineered alternative has been approved by the Board. In the case of an engineered alternative, the registered civil engineer or a certified engineering geologist must
certify that the waste management unit has been constructed in accordance with Board-approved plans and specifications.

3. Materials used to construct liners shall have appropriate physical and chemical properties to ensure containment of discharged wastes over the operating life, closure, and post-closure maintenance period of the waste management units.

4. Closure of each waste management unit shall be performed under the direct supervision of a California registered civil engineer or a California certified engineering geologist.

E. Conditions Applicable to Discharge Facilities Exempted from Chapter 15 Under Section 2511

1. If the discharger’s wastewater treatment plant is publicly owned or regulated by the Public Utilities Commission, it shall be supervised and operated by persons possessing certificates of appropriate grade according to California Code of Regulations, Title 23, Division 4, Chapter 14.

2. By-pass (the intentional diversion of waste streams from any portion of a treatment facility, except diversions designed to meet variable effluent limits) is prohibited. The Board may take enforcement action against the discharger for by-pass unless:

   a. (1) By-pass was unavoidable to prevent loss of life, personal injury, or severe property damage. (Severe property damage means substantial physical damage to property, damage to the treatment facilities that causes them to become inoperable, or substantial and permanent loss of natural resources that can reasonably be expected to occur in the absence of a by-pass. Severe property damage does not mean economic loss caused by delays in production); and

   (2) There were no feasible alternatives to by-pass, such as the use of auxiliary treatment facilities or retention of untreated waste. This condition is not satisfied if adequate back-up equipment should have been installed in the exercise of reasonable engineering judgment to prevent a by-pass that would otherwise occur during normal periods of equipment downtime or preventive maintenance; or

   b. (1) by-pass is required for essential maintenance to assure efficient operation; and

   (2) neither effluent nor receiving water limitations are exceeded; and

   (3) the discharger notifies the Board ten days in advance.

The permittee shall submit notice of an unanticipated by-pass as required in paragraph B.1. above.

3. A discharger that wishes to establish the affirmative defense of an upset (see definition in E.6 below) in an action brought for noncompliance shall demonstrate, through properly signed, contemporaneous operating logs, or other evidence, that:
a. an upset occurred and the cause(s) can be identified;

b. the permitted facility was being properly operated at the time of the upset;

c. the discharger submitted notice of the upset as required in paragraph B.1. above; and

d. the discharger complied with any remedial measures required by waste discharge requirements.

In any enforcement proceeding, the discharger seeking to establish the occurrence of an upset has the burden of proof.

4. A discharger whose waste flow has been increasing, or is projected to increase, shall estimate when flows will reach hydraulic and treatment capacities of its treatment, collection, and disposal facilities. The projections shall be made in January, based on the last three years’ average dry weather flows, peak wet weather flows and total annual flows, as appropriate. When any projection shows that capacity of any part of the facilities may be exceeded in four years, the discharger shall notify the Board by 31 January.

5. Effluent samples shall be taken downstream of the last addition of wastes to the treatment or discharge works where a representative sample may be obtained prior to disposal. Samples shall be collected at such a point and in such a manner to ensure a representative sample of the discharge.

6. Definitions

a. Upset means an exceptional incident in which there is unintentional and temporary noncompliance with effluent limitations because of factors beyond the reasonable control of the Discharger. An upset does not include noncompliance to the extent caused by operational error, improperly designed treatment facilities, inadequate treatment facilities, lack of preventive maintenance, or careless or improper action.

b. The monthly average discharge is the total discharge by volume during a calendar month divided by the number of days in the month that the facility was discharging. This number is to be reported in gallons per day or million gallons per day.

Where less than daily sampling is required by this Order, the monthly average shall be determined by the summation of all the measured discharges by the number of days during the month when the measurements were made.

c. The monthly average concentration is the arithmetic mean of measurements made during the month.

d. The “daily maximum” discharge is the total discharge by volume during any day.
c. The "daily maximum" concentration is the highest measurement made on any single discrete sample or composite sample.

d. A "grab" sample is any sample collected in less than 15 minutes.

e. Unless otherwise specified, a composite sample is a combination of individual samples collected over the specified sampling period;
   (1) at equal time intervals, with a maximum interval of one hour
   (2) at varying time intervals (average interval one hour or less) so that each sample represents an equal portion of the cumulative flow.

The duration of the sampling period shall be specified in the Monitoring and Reporting Program. The method of compositing shall be reported with the results.

7. Annual Pretreatment Report Requirements:

Applies to dischargers required to have a Pretreatment Program as stated in waste discharge requirements.)

The annual report shall be submitted by 28 February and include, but not be limited to, the following items:

a. A summary of analytical results from representative, flow-proportioned, 24-hour composite sampling of the influent and effluent for those pollutants EPA has identified under Section 307(a) of the Clean Water Act which are known or suspected to be discharged by industrial users.

The discharger is not required to sample and analyze for asbestos until EPA promulgates an applicable analytical technique under 40 CFR (Code of Federal Regulations) Part 136. Sludge shall be sampled during the same 24-hour period and analyzed for the same pollutants as the influent and effluent sampling analysis. The sludge analyzed shall be a composite sample of a minimum of 12 discrete samples taken at equal time intervals over the 24-hour period. Wastewater and sludge sampling and analysis shall be performed at least annually. The discharger shall also provide any influent, effluent or sludge monitoring data for nonpriority pollutants which may be causing or contributing to Interference, Pass Through or adversely impacting sludge quality. Sampling and analysis shall be performed in accordance with the techniques prescribed in 40 CFR Part 136 and amendments thereto.

b. A discussion of Upset, Interference, or Pass Through incidents, if any, at the treatment plant which the discharger knows or suspects were caused by industrial users of the system. The discussion shall include the reasons why the incidents occurred, the corrective actions taken and, if known, the name and address of the industrial user(s) responsible. The discussion shall also include a review of the applicable pollutant limitations to determine whether any
additional limitations, or changes to existing requirements, may be necessary to prevent Pass Through, Interference, or noncompliance with sludge disposal requirements.

c. The cumulative number of industrial users that the discharger has notified regarding Baseline Monitoring Reports and the cumulative number of industrial user responses.

d. An updated list of the discharger’s industrial users including their names and addresses, or a list of deletions and additions keyed to a previously submitted list. The discharger shall provide a brief explanation for each deletion. The list shall identify the industrial users subject to federal categorical standards by specifying which set(s) of standards are applicable. The list shall indicate which categorical industries, or specific pollutants from each industry, are subject to local limitations that are more stringent than the federal categorical standards. The discharger shall also list the noncategorical industrial users that are subject only to local discharge limitations. The discharger shall characterize the compliance status through the year of record of each industrial user by employing the following descriptions:

(1) Complied with baseline monitoring report requirements (where applicable);

(2) Consistently achieved compliance;

(3) Inconsistently achieved compliance;

(4) Significantly violated applicable pretreatment requirements as defined by 40 CFR 403.8(f)(2)(vii);

(5) Complied with schedule to achieve compliance (include the date final compliance is required);

(6) Did not achieve compliance and not on a compliance schedule;

(7) Compliance status unknown.

A report describing the compliance status of any industrial user characterized by the descriptions in items (d)(3) through (d)(7) above shall be submitted quarterly from the annual report date to EPA and the Board. The report shall identify the specific compliance status of each such industrial user. This quarterly reporting requirement shall commence upon issuance of this Order.

e. A summary of the inspection and sampling activities conducted by the discharger during the past year to gather information and data regarding the industrial users. The summary shall include but not be limited to, a tabulation of categories of dischargers that were inspected and sampled; how many and how often; and incidents of noncompliance detected.
f. A summary of the compliance and enforcement activities during the past year. The summary shall include the names and addresses of the industrial users affected by the following actions:

(1) Warning letters or notices of violation regarding the industrial user’s apparent noncompliance with federal categorical standards or local discharge limitations. For each industrial user, identify whether the apparent violation concerned the federal categorical standards or local discharge limitations;

(2) Administrative Orders regarding the industrial user’s noncompliance with federal categorical standards or local discharge limitations. For each industrial user, identify whether the violation concerned the federal categorical standards or local discharge limitations;

(3) Civil actions regarding the industrial user’s noncompliance with federal categorical standards or local discharge limitations. For each industrial user, identify whether the violation concerned the federal categorical standards or local discharge limitations;

(4) Criminal actions regarding the industrial user’s noncompliance with federal categorical standards or local discharge limitations. For each industrial user, identify whether the violation concerned the federal categorical standards or local discharge limitations.

(5) Assessment of monetary penalties. For each industrial user identify the amount of the penalties;

(6) Restriction of flow to the treatment plant; or

(7) Disconnection from discharge to the treatment plant.

g. A description of any significant changes in operating the pretreatment program which differ from the discharger’s approved Pretreatment Program, including, but not limited to, changes concerning: the program’s administrative structure; local industrial discharge limitations; monitoring program or monitoring frequencies; legal authority of enforcement policy; funding mechanisms; resource requirements; and staffing levels.

h. A summary of the annual pretreatment budget, including the cost of pretreatment program functions and equipment purchases.

i. A summary of public participation activities to involve and inform the public.

j. A description of any changes in sludge disposal methods and a discussion of any concerns not described elsewhere in the report.

Duplicate signed copies of these reports shall be submitted to the Board and:
Regional Administrator
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency W-5
75 Hawthorne Street
San Francisco, CA 94105

and

State Water Resource Control Board
Division of Water Quality
P.O. Box 100
Sacramento, CA 95812

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