



Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

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TENTATIVE CEASE AND DESIST ORDER, GERMANO SOARES DAIRY #1, 9201 HILMAR ROAD, TURLOCK, STANISLAUS COUNTY

Enclosed is a tentative Cease and Desist Order (CDO) proposed to be issued pursuant to California Water Code sections 13301 and 13267. The tentative CDO alleges that Germano and Jacinta Soares (referred to as Discharger) violated numerous provisions of the Reissued Waste Discharge Requirements General Order for Existing Milk Cow Dairies (WDRs Order R5-2013-0122). The tentative CDO proposes actions and a time schedule to bring the Discharger back into compliance with the WDRs. The Prosecution Team intends to bring this matter for a hearing before the Central Valley Water Board at the **15/16 October 2020** Board meeting in Redding.

The hearing will be governed by the attached Hearing Procedure, which has been approved by the Board Chair for use in adjudicating matters such as this one. Any objections to the Hearing Procedure must be received by David Lancaster, whose contact information is listed in the Hearing Procedures, by **5 p.m. on 7 August 2020.** Please read the Hearing Procedure carefully, especially the list of deadlines found on page 7.

In order to conserve resources, this letter transmits paper copies of the documents to the Discharger only. Interested persons may download the documents from the <u>CentralValley Water Board's Internet website</u> (https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/tentative_orders/)

Copies of these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the Central Valley Water Board's office weekdays between 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the tentative CDO, please contact Robert Busby at (916) 464-4666 or at <u>robert.busby@waterboards.ca.gov</u>.

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John J. Digitally signed by John J. Baum Date: 2020.07.28 JOHN J. BAUM Assistant Executive Officer

Enclosures:

Tentative CDO Hearing Procedures

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