
Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

March 3, 2017

Mr. Oscar Vargas
Van Nuys Terminal Manager
Chevron USA, Inc.
15359 Oxnard Street
Van Nuys, CA 91411

Dear Mr. Vargas:

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS ON REVISIONS TO THE REVISED TENTATIVE WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS (WDRs) AND NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT – Chevron USA, Inc., Van Nuys Terminal, 15359 Oxnard Street, Van Nuys, California (NPDES No. CA0059293, CI-6659)

On December 30, 2016, the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Board) transmitted a tentative Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) and National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit to you for the subject facility. A revision to the reporting schedule was sent to you on February 7, 2017. An amendment to the Los Angeles River and Tributaries Metals TMDL became effective on December 12, 2016, after it was approved by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. As a result, certain provisions of the tentative permit have been modified to implement the requirements in the TMDL, including changes to the copper effluent limitations. Some other changes were also made.

To allow review and input on these changes, the Regional Board is providing an additional limited comment period only on the recent changes. Only comments on the revised portions will be considered and responded to. The revised portions of the enclosed revised tentative permit appear in strikeout/underline format for deletions and insertions, respectively.

In order to be evaluated by Regional Board staff and included in the Regional Board members' agenda packets, written comments or evidence regarding the revised portions of the revised tentative permit must be received at the Regional Board's office by **5:00 pm on March 17, 2017**. Failure to comply with these requirements is grounds for the Board to refuse to admit the proposed written comment or evidence into the record. Timely submittal of written comments is required to ensure that all comments are accurately and fully included in the administrative record, that Board staff is able to provide timely review and time to respond to comments, and that Board members have sufficient time to give full consideration to the comments and issues raised.


In accordance with administrative procedures, the Regional Board is scheduled to consider the revised tentative permit and comments timely received at a public hearing to be held on April 6, 2017, at 9:00 a.m., at the City of Simi Valley, 2929 Tapo Canyon Road, Simi Valley, California. The Board will hear testimony pertinent to this discharge and the revised tentative requirements.

It is expected that the Board will take action at the hearing; however, as testimony indicates, the Board, at its discretion, may order further investigation.

The agenda for the meeting will be posted on the Regional Board's website (http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/board_info/agenda/index.shtml) approximately ten days prior to the meeting. Please check the Board's website as the date, time, and/or location of the hearing is subject to change.

If you have any questions, please contact Jau Ren Chen at (213) 576-6656.

Sincerely,



Cassandra Owens, Chief
Industrial Permitting Unit

Enclosures

cc: (via email only):

David Smith, Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9, Permits Branch (WTR-5)
Kenneth Wong, U.S Army Corps of Engineers
Bryant Chesney, NOAA, National Marine Fisheries Service
Jeff Phillips, Department of Interior, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
William Paznokas, Department of Fish and Wildlife, Region 5
Tim Smith, Los Angeles County, Department of Public Works, Waste Management Division
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Angelo Bellomo, Los Angeles County, Department of Health Services
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Bruce Reznik, Los Angeles Waterkeeper
Becky Hayat, Natural Resources Defense Council
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