



Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

October 17, 2019

Mr. Ronald Hite Catalina Production Manager Pebbly Beach Desalination Plant 1 Pebbly Beach Road Avalon, CA 90704

Dear Mr Hite:

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS ON THE TENTATIVE WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS (WDRS) AND NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) PERMIT RENEWAL, FOR SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY, PEBBLY BEACH DESALINATION PLANT, AVALON, CA. (NPDES NO. CA0061191, CI NO. 6899)

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region (Regional Water Board) has completed a review of the application for the renewal of your permit to discharge waste under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Program. Pursuant to the federal Clean Water Act, as amended, and in accordance with the Porter Cologne Water Quality Control Act, tentative waste discharge requirements have been prepared.

Enclosed are copies of the following:

- 1. Tentative requirements, consisting of:
 - a. Board Order:
 - b. Standard Provisions (Attachment D):
 - c. Monitoring and Reporting Program (Attachment E);
 - d. Fact Sheet (Attachment F); and
 - e. Attachment G through H
- Publication package, consisting of:
 - a. Instruction Sheet for Public Notice;
 - b. Public Notice; and
 - c. Statement of Posting Notice

In accordance with administrative procedures, the Regional Water Board at a public

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hearing to be held on **December 12, 2019, at 9:00 A.M.**, will consider the enclosed tentative waste discharge requirements, and comments submitted in writing regarding any and all portions thereof. Please see the following link for the location of the hearing: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/board_info/meetings/. The Board will hear any testimony pertinent to these waste discharge requirements. It is expected that the Board will take action at the hearing; however, as testimony indicates, the Board, at its discretion, may postpone taking action. The agenda for the meeting will be posted on the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board's website: (http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/board_info/agenda/index.shtml) approximately one week prior to the meeting

Written comments pertaining to this proposed Board action must be submitted by mail or emailed to losangeles@waterboards.ca.gov with a copy to Rosario.Aston@waterboards.ca.gov and received at the Board's office by 5:00 p.m. on November 18, 2019. Please reference the comments as "Comments on tentative NPDES Permit, Southern California Edison Company, Pebbly Beach Desalination Plant, CA0061191". Pursuant to section 648.4, title 23 of the California Code of Regulations, untimely submittal of written comments or evidence will not be allowed or accepted into the Administrative Record without a showing of good cause for the delay, and in no event if any party or the Board would be unduly prejudiced by the late submittal including if staff or the Regional Water Board would not have an adequate opportunity to review, consider, and prepare responses to the comments or evidence. Additionally, if the Board receives only supportive comments, the permit may be placed on the Board's consent calendar and approved without oral testimony.

With respect to the public notices, in accordance with the federal Clean Water Act, as amended, and the California Code of Regulations, you are required to follow the enclosed instructions for publication or posting of the notice no later than **October 22, 2019**.

Failure to publish or post the notice by the above date will force us to reschedule this item for a later hearing and will require the publication or posting of a second notice. Please notify Regional Water Board staff by telephone when the notice has been published and submit the proof of publication or posting as required in the enclosed instructions. Proof of posting or publication of the notice must be received by the Executive Officer of this Regional Water Board no later than **October 29, 2019.**

If you have any questions, please contact Rosario Aston at (213) 576-6653 or via email at Rosario. Aston@waterboards.ca.gov or Cassandra D. Owens at (213) 576-6750 or via email at Cassandra. Owens@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Cassandra D. Owens, Chief Industrial Permitting Unit

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Enclosures: Tentative NPDES Permit for Southern California Edison, Pebbly Beach Desalination Plant

cc: Ms. Elizabeth Sablad, Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9, Permits Branch

Ms. Robyn Stuber, Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9, Permits Branch

Ms. Becky Mitschele, Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9

Mr. Kenneth Wong, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Mr. Bryant Chesney, NOAA, National Marine Fisheries Service

Mr. Jeff Phillips, Department of Interior, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

Ms. Sutida Bergquist, State Water Resource Control Board, Drinking Water Division

Ms. Claire Waggoner, State Water Resource Control Board, Division of Water Quality

Mr. Daniel Ellis, State Water Resource Control Board, Division of Water Quality

Ms. Leslie Hart, State Water Resource Control Board, Division of Water Quality

Ms. Marleigh Wood, State Water Resource Control Board, Division of Water Quality

Ms. Loni Adams, Department of Fish and Wildlife, Region 5

Mr. Tom Luster, California Coastal Commission

Ms. Amber Dobson, California Coastal Commission, South Coast Region

Mr. Joseph Street, Energy, Ocean Resources & Federal Consistency Division, California Coastal Commission

Mr. Theodore Johnson, Water Replenishment District of Southern California

Mr. Tommy Smith, Los Angeles County, Department of Public Works

Mr. Angelo Bellomo, Los Angeles County, Department of Public Health

Ms. Sylvie Makara, Heal the Bay

Ms. Annelisa Moe, Heal the Bay

Mr. Bruce Reznik, Los Angeles WaterKeeper

Mr. Arthur Pugsley, Los Angeles WaterKeeper

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Ms. Corinne Bell, Natural Resources Defense Council

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Mr. Paul Youngbae Ahn, Southern California Edison