Notice of Public Hearing

To

Consider Adoption of Order No. R1-2012-0028
to Rescind Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. R1-2008-0099
and Monitoring and Reporting Program No. R1-2010-0091

for

Chevron Environmental Management Company
Former Redwood Oil Chevron Bulk Plant
258 Roseland Avenue
Santa Rosa, California

Sonoma County

On the basis of preliminary staff review and application of lawful standards and regulations, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, North Coast Region (Regional Water Board), proposes to adopt Order No. R1-2012-0028 (Rescission Order), rescinding Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. R1-2008-0099 and Monitoring and Reporting Program No. R1-2010-0091 for the former Redwood Oil Chevron bulk Plant, 258 Roseland Avenue, Santa Rosa, California.

On October 23, 2008, the Regional Water Board adopted Waste Discharge Requirements (WDR), Order No. R1-2008-0099 for Surfactant Flushing of Contaminated Soil and Groundwater (hereinafter Order No. R1-2008-0099). Under Order No. R1-2008-0099 Chevron Environmental Management Company (hereinafter “discharger”) was required to comply with discharge prohibitions, specifications, and provisions for the application of surfactant to the subsurface at the former Redwood Oil/Chevron Bulk Plant located at 258 Roseland Avenue, in Santa Rosa, California (hereinafter “site”). WDR Order No. R1-2008-0099 also requires compliance with Contingency Planning and Notification Requirements Order No. 74-151 and Monitoring and Reporting Program (M&RP) No. R1-2008-0099. On October 7, 2010 M&RP No. R1-2008-0099 was rescinded and replaced by M&RP No. R1-2010-0091.

Surfactant activities conducted in accordance with Order No. R1-2008-0099 were reported in the July 28, 2011 Surfactant Enhanced Recovery Report. Findings
presented include recommendations to discontinue the use of surfactant and evaluate additional alternatives for free product removal. Regional Water Board staff concurred with these recommendations in a letter dated October 26, 2011. Because surfactant activities conducted under Order No. R1-2008-0099 are no longer applied at the site, Order No. R1-2008-0099 and M&RP No. R1-2010-0091 should be rescinded.

Public Hearing Procedures

The public meeting to consider the proposed Rescission Order has been scheduled for April 26, 2012, in Santa Rosa at 8:30 a.m. or as announced in the Regional Water Board’s agenda to be mailed on or around April 4, 2012. The meeting will be held at the Regional Water Board’s office located at 5550 Skylane Blvd., Suite A, in Santa Rosa. At the hearing, the Regional Water Board will consider whether to affirm, reject, or modify the proposed Rescission Order, or take another action.

In order for the Regional Water Board to consider any evidentiary material concerning this hearing, any documents, including written technical reports and other evidentiary material, must be received by the Regional Water Board no later than 5:00 p.m. on February 24, at 5550 Skylane Blvd., Suite A, Santa Rosa, California 95403. This written material will be submitted to the Regional Water Board member and all interested persons along with the full agenda materials.

Written material received after the above date will not be accepted except at the discretion of the Regional Water Board Chair. Untimely written material will not be accepted or incorporated into the administrative record if doing so would prejudice the Discharger or the Regional Water Board staff. The Chair may choose to modify this rule upon showing a severe hardship (California code of Regulations, Title 23, Sections 648.1 and 648.4).

All those who plan to testify at the hearing must submit written statements to the Regional Water Board by February 24. The statements should provide the name of the witness, their qualifications (if an expert), and the scope of their intended testimony. Testimony at the above-scheduled hearing may summarize or explain timely submitted or late accepted written evidence, but shall not add new evidence. The time constraints for oral testimony or comments will be set by the Regional Water Board Chair and usually allow no more than 15 minutes for interested persons. A timer may be used and speakers are expected to honor the time limits. Where speakers can be grouped by affiliation or interest, such groups will be expected to select a spokesperson and not be repetitive.
Document Review

The tentative Order, related documents and comments received are on file and may be inspected or copied at the Regional Water Boards office during normal business hours or viewed at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/northcoast/board_decisions/tentative_orders/

Appointments are recommended for document review. Appointments can be made by calling (707) 576-2220. For further information, please contact Regional Water Board staff member Colleen Hunt at (707) 576-2831 or at chhunt@waterboards.ca.gov.

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