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NOTICE OF APPLICATION, OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT AND PUBLIC HEARING FOR DISCHARGE PERMIT AND CEASE AND DESIST ORDER RESCISSION

City of San Mateo and City of Foster City Estero Municipal Improvement District City of San Mateo Wastewater Treatment Plant and wastewater collection system 2050 Detroit Drive, San Mateo, San Mateo County

The above discharger has filed an application for reissuance of a permit under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System. The Board's staff has prepared a tentative permit for this discharger in accordance with the Federal Clean Water Act and the California Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act. The tentative order would also rescind Cease and Desist Order No. R2 2007 0076, which addresses the discharger's inability to comply with certain previous permit requirements, because the discharger can comply with the new permit as drafted.

The discharger owns and operates a sanitary sewage treatment plant serving the San Mateo, Foster City, Hillsborough, and portions of Belmont and unincorporated San Mateo County. The plant provides secondary and advanced secondary treatment of domestic, commercial, and industrial wastewater for up to 15.7 million gallons a day. Treated effluent is discharged into Lower San Francisco Bay through a submerged deep water outfall about 3,700 feet offshore.

The deadline for receipt of comment on the tentative permit is 5:00 p.m. on February 4, 2013. Comments must be sent to the attention of Dylan Garner. Persons wishing to file written comments on or objections to the tentative permit or other aspects of this matter must do so no later than this deadline so that such comments may be considered.

The Board intends to consider adopting the tentative permit during a meeting to commence at 9:00 a.m. on **March 13, 2013**, in the Auditorium of the Elihu Harris State Building at 1515 Clay Street in Oakland. Interested persons are invited to attend and express their views at the public hearing.

Pursuant to section 2050(c) of Title 23 of the California Code of Regulations, any party that challenges the Board's action on this matter through a petition to the State Water Resources Control Board under Water Code section 13320 will be limited to raising only those substantive issues or objections that were raised before the Board at the public hearing or in timely submitted written correspondence.

All documents related to the tentative permit may be inspected and copied at the Board office. The tentative permit, fact sheet, and any additional information and developments on this matter are also available at www.waterboards.ca.gov/sanfranciscobay. Board staff's responses to comments will be posted on that website one week prior to the hearing. Contact **Dylan Garner** at (510) 622-2116, or by e-mail at dylan.garner@waterboards.ca.gov if you have any questions.