

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

ORDER NO. R5-2006-0066

RESCINDING VARIOUS WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, finds that the Board adopted the following Orders and Resolutions, which are no longer applicable for the reasons shown:

Order No. 92-204, adopted 25 September 1992, prescribes WDRs for the Silva Acres Dairy at 18313 S Mercy Springs Road, Los Banos, Merced County. Staff inspected the site on 20 August 2002 and found the facility was dismantled. There was no evidence of manure solids at the site. The ponds did not contain any dairy wastewater. The WDRs for this site should be rescinded, as the facility no longer poses a threat to water quality.

Order No. 96-274, adopted 25 October 1996, prescribes WDRs for Lourence Dairy at 10920 Valensin Rd, Galt, Sacramento County. Staff inspected the site on 12 October 2005 and found the facility was dismantled. There was no evidence of manure solids at the site. Solid manure was removed from the settling pond and lagoons. The WDRs for this site should be rescinded, as the facility no longer poses a threat to water quality.

Order No. 97-231 prescribes requirements for the City of Oroville's Key Hole Pond, Four-Acre Pond, and three Class II surface impoundments. These units pretreated olive brine processing wastewater prior to discharge to the Sewage Commission-Oroville Region wastewater treatment plant. The Key Hole Pond and Four-Acre Pond were taken out of service in 1991 and the Key Hole Pond was clean closed in 1998. The Class II surface impoundments permanently discontinued receiving brine wastewater in 2004, and were subsequently clean-closed. In order to evaluate closure options for the Four-Acre Pond, the City of Oroville is in the process of defining the extent of waste and plans to close this pond by the end of 2006. The City of Oroville had ceased receiving, treating, or discharging wastewater and on 10 March 2006 requested rescission of their Order. Order No. 97-231 is no longer needed and should be rescinded. A groundwater monitoring and reporting program will be implemented concurrently with rescission of this Order.

Order No. 99-145 was adopted on 29 October 1999 to regulate the construction and operation of four lined Class II surface impoundments at PG&E's Kettleman Compressor Station near the City of Avenal in Kings County. The impoundments received nonhazardous wastewater generated from cooling tower blowdown and site maintenance activities. The impoundments were clean closed and a closure certification report was submitted. Staff concurred with the certification report in a letter dated 29 March 2006. An inspection was performed in April 2006 to verify the closure. The WDRs can be rescinded.

Order No. 5-01-064 (NPDES No. CA0004316) prescribes requirements for the discharge of non-contact cooling water from the Procter & Gamble Manufacturing facility to Morrison Creek, in Sacramento County. The facility has ceased the discharge to surface waters, by

discharging to the sanitary sewer, and has requested rescission of the order. Rescinding the Order does not absolve the Discharger from the liability for mandatory penalties incurred during the effective term of the permit.

Order No. R5-2003-0019, adopted 31 January 2003, prescribes requirements for the Western Hills Water District wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) and its discharge of 0.1 mgd of disinfected secondary-treated effluent to a lined storage reservoir and 30-acre parcel of land in Section 19, T4S, R7E, MDB&M. The WWTP was to serve the Diablo Grande residential development in western Stanislaus County, but it was never placed into operation. The development's wastewater flows discharge to the City of Patterson WWTP. Because the discharge will not be initiated, the order should be rescinded.

Order No. R5-2003-0073, (NPDES Permit No. CA0004847) and Thermal Plan Exception Resolution No. R5-2003-0069, adopted 25 April 2003, prescribe requirements for the Gaylord Container Corporation, Antioch Paper and Pulp Mill to discharge up to 15 million gallons per day of once through, non-contact cooling water from the Paper and Pulp Mill's cogeneration facility to the San Joaquin River. On 1 February 2006, the Discharger requested by letter that the Regional Water Board rescind these requirements as the cogeneration facility is no longer required to operate by the California Public Utility Commission, and the facility has been permanently shut down. The NPDES permit and Thermal Plan Exception are no longer needed. Rescinding the Order does not absolve the Discharger from the liability for mandatory penalties incurred during the effective term of the permit.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the above waste discharge requirements Orders and Resolutions are rescinded.

I, PAMELA C. CREEDON, Executive Officer, do hereby certify the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an Order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, on 23 June 2006.

PAMELA C. CREEDON
Executive Officer