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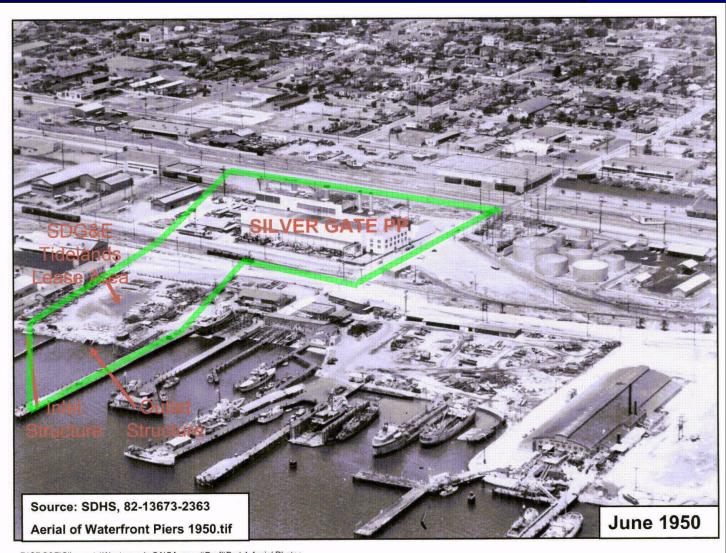
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#### Overview - SDG&E as Discharger

- Introduction
- Silver Gate Plant Overview
- Sources and Pathways of PCB's/COC's
- Conclusion

# Orientation and Operational History



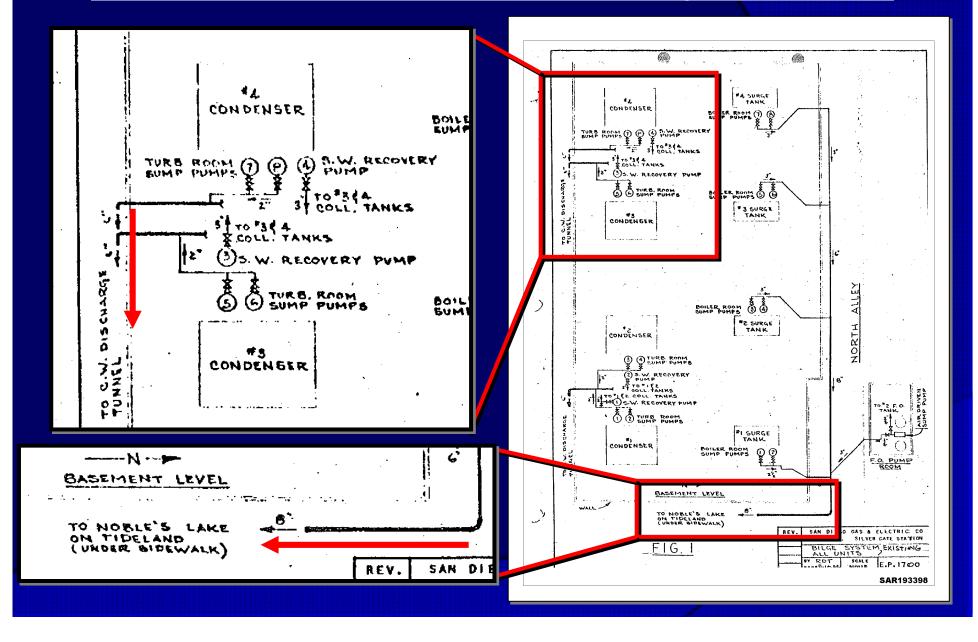
- Plant Housed PCB Containing Equipment
- Plant Wastewater Discharged Through Cooling Water Tunnels
- Plant Wastewater Discharged to Unlined Ponds and Oil-Water Separators

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#### 3.4.5 Basement Bilge Water

Basement bilge water consisted of liquids that accumulated in trenches in the plant basement. The WWTP manual (SDG&E, 1978) lists the following waste sources: "turbine drains, boiler drains, condenser drain pump drains, cooling water supply drains, water box drains, service air compressor drains, fire pump drains, relief valve drains, condensate storage and overflow and condensate makeup pump drains." The basement bilge system was divided into two areas, the turbine side and the boiler side. Diagrams from 1965 show that bilge water from the turbine side was piped into the discharge cooling water tunnels, andthe bilge water from the boiler side was pumped, via an 8 inch diameter pipeline, to an "oil-water separating pond" located on Parcel 2, referred to as "Nobles Lake", which was used for evaporation and settling.

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- Tidelands Housed Unlined Ponds
- Tidelands Housed Oil-Water Separators
- Untreated Wastewater Discharged to Ponds
- Ponds Overflowed
- Ponds Discharged Directly to Bay

SILVER CATE STATION

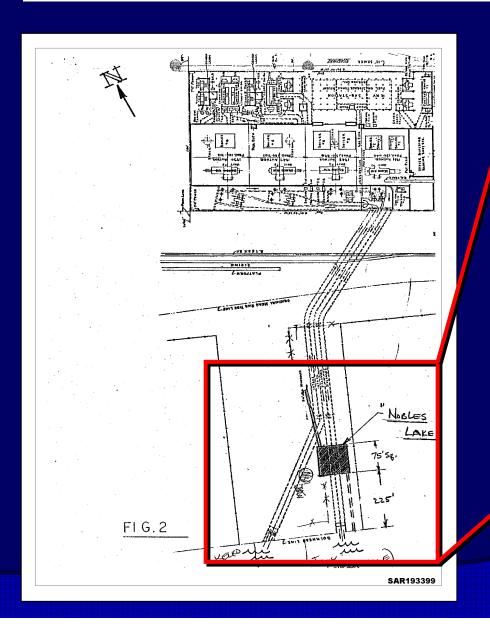
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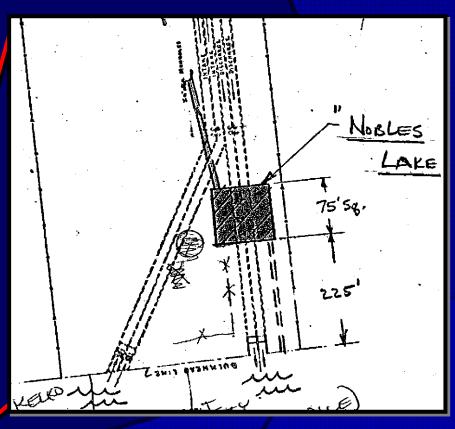
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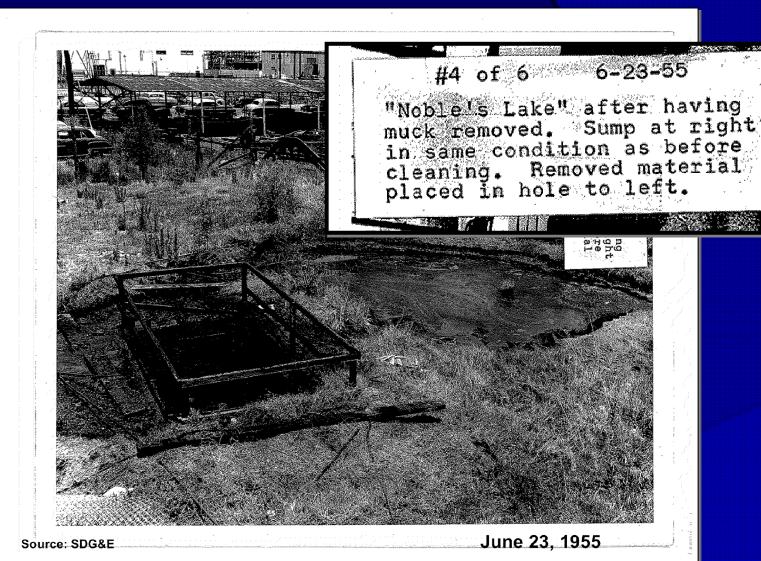
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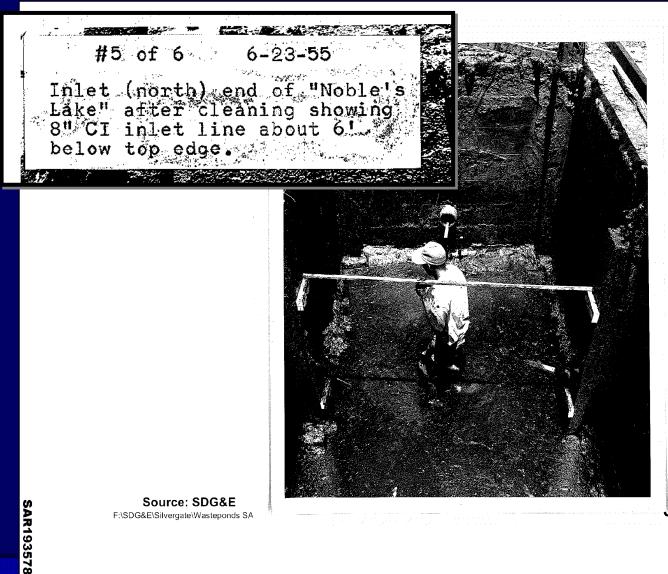






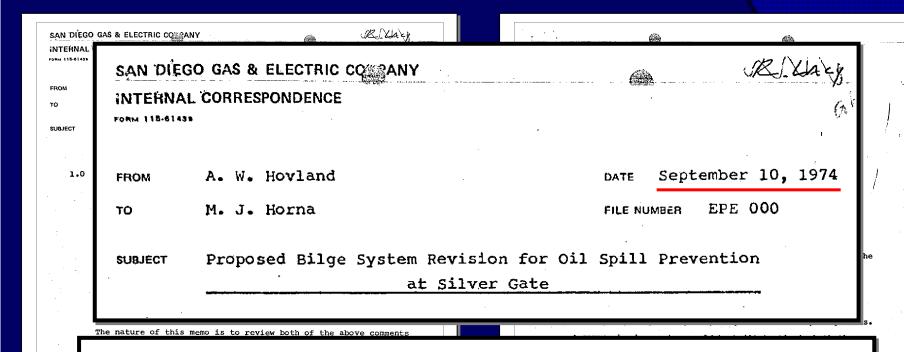


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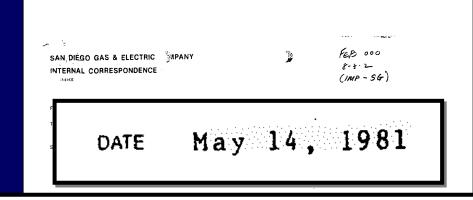


Nobles Lake is filled to the brim and is at least 11 feet deep with a mixture of oil and earth. It is no longer an acceptable settling pond. It is not desirable to pump any additional bilge water to it.

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- Switchyard Housed PCB Containing Equipment
- Equipment Leaked
- Switchyard Stormwater Discharged to MS4



On April 7, 1981, Electric Construction and Maintenance (ECM) were notified by Brian Heramb, Safety Representative, that PCB fluid was leaking from transformers located at Silver Gate Power Plant. An ECM crew, consisting of Don Swinney and others, soon met with Heramb and Don Darbonne, Silver Gate Foreman.

The transformer leaks were pointed out to the ECM crew at this time, but to date no action has been taken by ECM to clean up the spill and recommend necessary repairs.

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DAILY PCB INSPECTION REPORT

PCB EQUIPMENT: # / S. Load trans LOCATION: Silver Gate

West. 2978783

DATE OF INSPECTION: 2/11/83

DATE OF LEAK DISCOVERY: 11/22/82

NAME OF INSPECTOR: R. Manes

estimate of fluid leaked: Medium leak at sample valve and small leak at the small drain valve

DATE OF CLEAN-UP(S), CONTAINMENT, OR REPAIR PERFORMED:

No action taken

DESCRIPTION OF CLEAN-UP, CONTAINMENT, OR REPAIR PERFORMED:

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RESULTS OF ANY CONTAINMENT AND DAILY INSPECTION FOR UNCORRECTED ACTIVE LEAKS: No action taken

INSPECTION REPORT

U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION 9

TOXICS AND WASTE MANAGEMENT DIVISION

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Purpose: TSCA §6 PCB Investigation

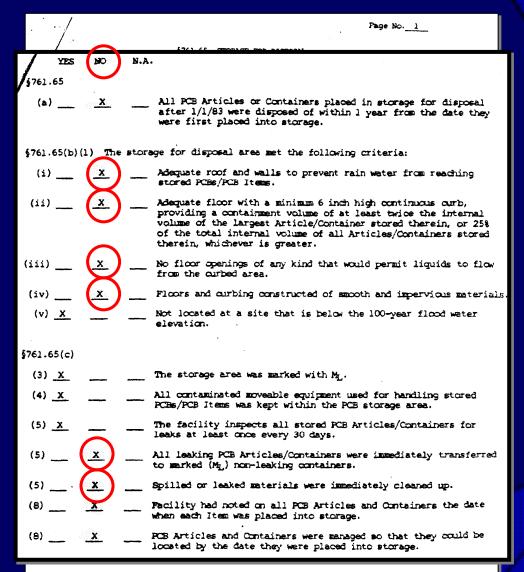
Facility: San Diego Gas & Electric Silvergate Power Plant

1348 Sampson Street San Diego, CA 92113

FPA ID Number: CAT000618934

Report Number: T(87)F043

Dates of Investigation: 5 February 1987



### **Summary and Conclusion**

- 40 Plus Year Operational History
- Multiple COC (PCB) Sources
- Multiple Pathways to the Bay
- Substantial Evidence
- SDG&E Properly Named as Discharger

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