

California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region

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**Subject: Staff Enforcement Letter, Violations of Order No. R9-2008-0096,
NPDES Permit No. CA0109347; U.S. Marine Corps Base, Camp
Pendleton, Southern Regional Tertiary Treatment Plant (SRTTP) and
Advance Water Treatment Facility (AWT)**

Mr. Bonsavage:


The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (San Diego Water Board) has noted the following violations in the November 2012 and January 2013 monthly electronic self-monitoring reports submitted through the California Integrated Water Quality System:

1. The following unauthorized discharges occurred in violation of Order No. R9-2008-0096, Section III.A:
 - a. On November 1, 2012 at 0930 hours, 1500 gallons of SRTTP secondary treated effluent was released at the connection of batch reactor (SBR) No. 2 to the equalization basins. The decanting cycle was shut down at 0932 to stop the spill.
 - b. On January 31, 2013 at 1450 hours, 475 gallons of disinfected tertiary treated effluent was released into the Biofilter beds from the odor control system at the SRTTP.
 - c. On January 31, 2013 at 0300 hours to 0620 hours, 400 gallons of disinfected tertiary treated effluent was released into a fine drum screen structure at the SRTTP.
2. On January 25, 2013, biological oxygen demand, total suspended solids, settleable solids, pH, turbidity, and oil and grease were monitored at the incorrect location. Monitoring occurred at EFF-001 instead of EFF-002, after discharge from the AWT started.

Please take steps to ensure that the violations noted above do not occur in the future. Pursuant to the California Water Code (CWC), the violations noted above are subject to additional enforcement action(s) by the San Diego Water Board including issuance of a time schedule order, cease and desist order, or cleanup and abatement order.

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Respectfully,



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