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NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT ORDER SETTING ADMINISTRATIVE LIABILITY IN THE MATTER OF

C&H SUGAR COMPANY, INC., CROCKETT, CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

The San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board's (Regional Water Board) Executive Officer has been presented with a proposed settlement of the claims alleged in Administrative Liability Complaint No. R2-2008-0100, dated December 12, 2008 (the Complaint). The proposed settlement represents a mutually agreed-upon resolution of the Water Board's Prosecution Team claims through the payment of an administrative civil liability in the amount of \$490,000. This administrative civil liability will consist of a payment of \$258,500 to the State Water Resources Control Board's Cleanup and Abatement Account, and completion of a \$231,500 Supplemental Environment Project. A Tentative Order has been prepared which will effectuate the proposed settlement. If no significant comments are received by the deadline stated below the Executive Officer intends to adopt the Tentative Order setting Administrative Civil Liability. If significant comments are received, a hearing for the Water Board to consider this matter may be publicly noticed.

Written Comment Deadline and Availability of Documents

The deadline for comment is **5 p.m. on Monday, August 3, 2009**. Comments should be sent to the attention of Bruce Wolfe and Thomas Mumley. Persons wishing to file written comments on or objections to the Tentative Order must do so no later than this deadline.

The Complaint, Tentative Order, and related documents are on file, and may be inspected or copied at the Water Board's offices during weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5.00 p.m. The Complaint and Tentative Order are also available on the Water Board's website at www.waterboards.ca.gov/sanfranciscobay.

Questions concerning this matter may be addressed to prosecutorial staff Derek Whitworth at 510-622-2478 or dwhitworth@waterboards.ca.gov. Please also refer to the website given above for future developments and updates.