STATE OF CALIFORNIA CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD CENTRAL COAST REGION

STAFF REPORT FOR REGULAR MEETING OCTOBER 22, 2004

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SUBJECT:

Enforcement Report

The System for Water Information Management (SWIM) Compliance Module (database created by the State and Regional Boards) tracks violations and enforcement actions. The Compliance Module has been revised to include enhancements for tracking associated Administrative Civil Liabilities.

Any violation that is listed as "Y" for "Yes" in "Significant Violation" column, as well as being listed as an "NPDES" in the "Program Type" column, is in the process of being issued a complaint for Mandatory Minimum Penalties. So-called "nonsignificant" violations may also be triggering a complaint, but it is not possible to determine all of those cases from just reviewing this report. We track those violations on a six-month period and follow up with complaints as appropriate.

The attached report covers the period July 1, 2004 through August 31, 2004. During this time period, 36 dischargers had 74 violations. Violations normally include effluent limit violations resulting from monitoring report reviews, violations resulting from compliance inspections, missing and late reports and sewer overflows. Enforcement actions range from verbal communications by staff to formal actions adopted by the Regional Board.

The City of San Luis Obispo Water Reclamation Facility failed to submit several weekly receiving water monitoring results in July. Instead of monitoring each calendar week, several monitoring events were clustered at the end of the calendar month. The City was verbally notified of the problem and it has since been corrected.

RECOMMENDATION

Attached is a table of violations and enforcement actions for information only. The Board may direct staff to initiate additional action as appropriate.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Enforcement Report
- 2. Glossary of Abbreviations

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