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**NOTICE OF APPLICABILITY  
WATER QUALITY ORDER 2003-0003-DWQ  
STATEWIDE WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR DISCHARGES TO LAND  
WITH A LOW THREAT TO WATER QUALITY  
NUSTAR TERMINALS OPERATIONS PARTNERSHIP, L.P. AND  
PORT OF STOCKTON,  
NUSTAR TERMINAL,  
SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY**

On 11 January 2021, NuStar Terminals Operations Partnership, L.P. and the Port of Stockton (Dischargers) submitted a Notice of Intent (NOI) to obtain coverage under Water Quality Order 2003-0003-DWQ, *Statewide General Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges to Land with a Low Threat to Water Quality* (hereafter General Order) for hydrostatic testing as part of construction activities at the NuStar Terminal. The submittal contains all the information required to evaluate applicability of the General Order; therefore, the NOI is considered complete. Based on the information provided in the NOI, the discharge meets the conditions of the General Order. The discharge is hereby covered under State Water Resources Control Board General Order 2003-0003-DWQ-0218. Please include this number on all correspondence related to this discharge.

### PROJECT LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION

The project is located at the NuStar Terminal at 2941 and 3015 Navy Drive, Stockton in San Joaquin County, as shown on Attachment A. The project consists of facility expansion and upgrades to aide fuel delivery to the facility by ship. The upgrades include the installation of new piping, valves, flanges, and fittings to connect aboveground storage tanks (ASTs) at the tank farm. After the construction upgrades, hydrostatic testing of the new pipelines will occur.

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Source water for testing will be the Port of Stockton or the City of Stockton fire hydrant water. Approximately 200 gallons per minute up to two hours a day will occur intermittently beginning in late February 2021. The hydrostatic test water will be discharged on-site into the secondary containment berms which surround the ASTs for evaporation and percolation. While discharges are occurring, project personnel will monitor the discharge areas. The water in the containment berms will be less than one foot deep.

The Water Quality Control Plan for the Sacramento River and San Joaquin River Basins, Fifth Edition, revised May 2018 (hereafter Basin Plan), designates beneficial uses, establishes water quality objectives, contains implementation plans and policies for protecting waters of the basin, and incorporates by reference plans and policies adopted by the State Water Resources Control Board. Pursuant to §13263(a) of the California Water Code (CWC), waste discharge requirements must implement the Basin Plan.

### **FACILITY-SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS**

The General Order and this Notice of Applicability regulates hydrostatic testing for the facility expansion and upgrades project at the NuStar Terminal.

1. Wastewater generated during hydrostatic testing shall be disposed of as described in the Notice of Intent, the Discharger Monitoring Program (DMP), and in accordance with the requirements contained in the General Order.
2. Hydrostatic testing discharged at a location or in a manner different from that described in the Notice of Intent or this Notice of Applicability is prohibited.
3. All technical reports required herein that involve evaluation, or other work requiring interpretation and proper application of engineering or geologic sciences, shall be prepared by or under the direction of persons registered to practice in California pursuant to California Business and Professions Code, section 6735, 7835, and 7835.1. As required by these laws, completed technical reports must bear the signature(s) and seal(s) of the registered professional(s) in a manner such that all work can be clearly attributed to the professional responsible for the work.
4. Monitoring results shall be submitted on a semi-annual basis in accordance the General Order's Monitoring and Reporting Program. For the January through June reporting period, the monitoring report is due August 15. For the July through December reporting period, the monitoring report is due February 15.
5. The Discharger shall submit the required annual fee (as specified in the annual billing issued by the State Water Resources Control Board) until the Notice of Applicability is officially terminated.
6. Failure to abide by the conditions of the General Order, including its monitoring and reporting requirements, and this letter authorizing applicability could result

in enforcement actions, as authorized by provisions of the California Water Code.

## DOCUMENT SUBMITTALS

All monitoring reports and other correspondence should be converted to searchable Portable Document Format (PDF) and submitted electronically. Documents that are less than 50 MB should be emailed to:

[centralvalleysacramento@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:centralvalleysacramento@waterboards.ca.gov)

To ensure that your submittal is routed to the appropriate staff person, the following information should be included in the body of the email or any documentation submitted to the mailing address for this office:

<b>Facility Name: NuStar Terminal, San Joaquin County</b>		
Program: Non-15 Compliance	Order: 2003-0003-DWQ-0218	CIWQS Place ID: 258717

Documents that are 50 MB or larger should be transferred to a CD, DVD, or flash drive and mailed to:

Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board  
ECM Mailroom  
11020 Sun Center Drive, Suite 200  
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

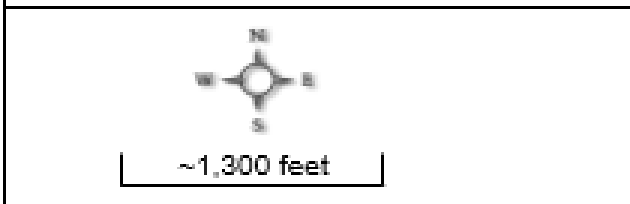
Now that the NOA has been issued, the Board's Compliance and Enforcement section will take over management of your case. Brendan Kenny is your new point of contact for any questions about the Order. In addition, all monitoring and technical reports should be submitted to him. The enclosed transmittal sheet shall be included with each monitoring report. If you find it necessary to make a change to your permitted operations, Brendan will direct you to the appropriate Permitting staff. You may contact Brendan at [bkenny@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:bkenny@waterboards.ca.gov).



For PATRICK PULUPA  
Executive Officer

Enclosures: Water Quality Order No. 2003-0003-DWQ  
Attachment A: Site Location Map

cc w/ enc: Jim Honniball, Wood PLC, Oakland  
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**SITE LOCATION MAP**  
**NUSTAR TERMINAL**  
**HYDROSTATIC TESTING**  
**SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY**

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