



California Regional Water Quality Control Board

Lahontan Region



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MINUTES

June 10-11, 2009

Regular Meeting

Mojave Desert Air Quality Management District
Board Room
14306 Park Avenue
Victorville, CA 92392

Mr. Clarke, Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. on June 10, 2009.

Board Members Present

James W. M. Charlton, Palmdale
Jack Clarke, Apple Valley
Mike Dispenza, Palmdale
Keith Dyas, Rosamond
Amy Horne, Ph.D., Truckee
Eric Sandel, Truckee

Board Member Absent

Don Jardine, Markleeville

Legal Counsel

David Coupe, Office of Chief Counsel, State Water Resources Control Board

Staff Present

Harold Singer, Executive Officer
Bob Dodds, Assistant Executive Officer
Charles Curtis, Supervising WRCE
Lauri Kemper, Supervising WRCE
Cindi Mitton, Senior WRCE
Patrice Copeland, Senior Eng. Geologist

Laurie Applegate, Executive Assistant
Jehiel Cass, WRCE
Mike Coony, WRCE
Lisa Dernbach, Senior Eng. Geologist
John Morales, WRCE
Eric Shay, Assoc. Government Program Analyst

Addressing the Board

Logan Olds, General Manager, Victor Valley Wastewater Reclamation Authority
Dave Gilbert and Bob Doss, Pacific Gas and Electric Company

California Environmental Protection Agency

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3. PUBLIC FORUM

Logan Olds, General Manager, Victor Valley Wastewater Reclamation Authority (VWVRA), discussed issues at VWVRA.

OTHER BUSINESS

1. Executive Officer's Report

Mr. Singer discussed items from the June 2009 written report and answered questions from the Board. Mr. Singer handed out information and discussed the State Water Board's budget. He also handed out a copy of an article from the Los Angeles Times entitled Muzzling the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment, a California pollution watchdog, and an article from The Sacramento Bee entitled Environmentalists fear for Tahoe amid logging in burned Angora area.

Mr. Singer responded to a question from Dr. Horne about a letter sent to the Board by Robert Sanchez, Fire Prevention Services, related to potential water pollution problems from the routine flushing of fire sprinkler systems to storm sewer systems. Mr. Singer noted he will research the issue and will respond to Mr. Sanchez.

2. CLOSED SESSION

The Board met in closed session from 4:30 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. to discuss Item 2h. The Board reconvened in open session at 5:16 p.m.

The Board recessed for dinner at 5:16 p.m.

Regular Meeting, continued
7:00 p.m., June 10, 2009

Mr. Clarke, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Board members present: James W. M. Charlton, Jack Clarke, Mike Dispenza, Keith Dyas, Amy Horne, and Eric Sandel. Board members absent: Don Jardine.

INTRODUCTIONS

Mr. Singer noted Bob Dodds impending retirement and thanked him for being a personal mentor and team player.



3. PUBLIC FORUM

No one addressed the Board during the evening session of the Public Forum. See page 2 of the minutes for public comments during the afternoon session.

4. MINUTES**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 13-14, 2009 in South Lake Tahoe**

- **Motion:** Moved by Dr. Horne, seconded by Mr. Dispenza and **unanimously carried** to adopt the May 13-14, 2009 minutes as written.

5. ADOPTION OF THE UNCONTESTED CALENDAR

Note: An (*) appears next to items adopted by the Board on the uncontested calendar.

Mr. Singer recommended the Board adopt Items 6 (with late revisions), 7 (with late revisions), 8 (with late revisions), 9 (with late revisions), 10 and 12 on the uncontested calendar. Item 11 was removed from the uncontested calendar for separate consideration by the Board.

WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS***6. Master Water Recycling Requirements and Waste Discharge Requirements, County Sanitation District No. 14 of Los Angeles County (Lancaster), Disinfected Tertiary Recycled Water, San Bernardino County**

Note regarding Item 6: This item remained on the uncontested calendar and was adopted by the Board with the late revisions outlined in the late revision sheet (pink sheet). Mr. Singer noted that the District had requested revisions to the permit to allow additional wastewater reuse activities; however, there was insufficient time to allow public review of the revisions and therefore they were not included in the revisions proposed by staff. Mr. Singer explained that he made a commitment to the District to bring the permit, with the additional revisions requested by the District, to the Board for reconsideration before the end of the 2009 calendar year.

7. Master Water Recycling Requirements and Waste Discharge Requirements, Mammoth Community Water District, Disinfected Tertiary Recycled Water, Mono County**8. Adelanto Public Utility Authority, Adelanto Wastewater Treatment Plant, San Bernardino County**

- *9. **Lake Arrowhead Community Services District, Domestic Wastewater Treatment Facilities, San Bernardino County**

RESCISSION OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS

- *10. **Test Area 1-46 Evaporation Ponds, Air Force Research Laboratory, Edwards Air Force Base, Kern County**

OTHER BUSINESS

- *12. **Resolution Authorizing the Executive Officer to Sign the Record of Decision for the Chemical Warfare Materiel, Operable Unit 7, Edwards Air Force Base, Kern County**

- **Motion:** Moved by Dr. Horne, seconded by Mr. Sandel and **unanimously carried** to adopt Items 6 (with late revisions), 7 (with late revisions), 8 (with late revisions), 9 (with late revisions), 10 and 12 on the uncontested calendar. Note: Mr. Dyas recused himself from voting on Items 10 and 12 because of his employment with Edwards Air Force Base.

ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS

- 11. **Public Hearing – Consideration of Rescission of Multiple Cease and Desist Orders for Dischargers within Spalding Tract Discharging or Threatening to Discharge Wastes in Violation of Waste Discharge Prohibitions Contained within the Water Quality Control Plan for the Lahontan Region**

Note: This item was removed from the uncontested calendar for separate consideration by the Board.

Mr. Clarke opened the public hearing and asked if there was anyone who wanted to present evidence or testimony relevant to the Order. There being no one asking to present evidence or testimony, Mr. Clarke closed the public hearing.

- **Motion:** Moved by Mr. Dispenza, seconded by Mr. Dyas and **unanimously carried** to adopt the Order as proposed.

OTHER BUSINESS

- 13. **Reports by Chair and Board Members**

Board members thanked Bob Dodds for his many years of service and commented that he would be missed.

Dr. Horne handed out an article from the University of Nevada, Reno, entitled Researchers shed light on Eastern Sierra-395 corridor, and an article from the

California Environmental Protection Agency



March-April 1992 issue of Harvard Business Review entitled Managers and Leaders: Are They Different?

Mr. Clarke gave a report regarding the Chairs' conference call held on June 1 and noted the Water Quality Coordinating Committee meeting will be held on October 26-27, 2009 in Sacramento.

STATUS REPORT

14. Status Report on Pacific Gas and Electric Company's Cleanup Efforts at the Hinkley Compressor Station Chromium Plume, San Bernardino County

Mr. Singer noted the item was the first of several status reports/workshops to be held. Chuck Curtis introduced Dave Gilbert, Director of Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E).

Dave Gilbert, PG&E, discussed progress made by PG&E and introduced Bob Doss, PG&E. Mr. Doss gave the status report. He discussed PG&E's commitment, the role of the Hinkley Compressor Station, the path to a final remedy and challenges in developing the final remedy. Mr. Doss and Mr. Curtis answered questions from the Board.

Mr. Singer discussed logistics for the PG&E tour on June 11, 2009 in Hinkley.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m. on June 10, 2009.



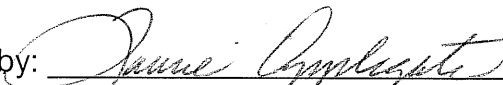
June 11, 2009 – 9:15 a.m.

TOUR

Tour of Pacific Gas and Electric Company's Hinkley Chromium Plume Remediation Facilities

Water Board members, Water Board staff, PG&E staff and the public toured PG&E's remediation facilities for the chromium groundwater plume that originated from its Compressor Station. The tour began at 9:15 a.m. at PG&E's office at 22999 Community Boulevard in Hinkley. The tour included the Land Treatment Unit located at the Desert View Dairy, the adjacent freshwater injection area and expanded groundwater extraction area, the Central Area In-situ Remediation Zone and features adjacent to the Compressor Station offices, including the Source Area In-situ Remediation Zone and the Compressor Station.

Prepared by:


Laurie Applegate, Executive Assistant

Adopted: July 8, 2009

