

Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

September 4, 2020

Mr. Michael Morrison
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TENTATIVE TERMINATION OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS (WDRs) AND NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) PERMIT, FOR PHILLIPS 66 COMPANY, LOS ANGELES LUBRICANTS TERMINAL, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA (CA0059846, ORDER NO. R4-2016-0056, CI NO. 6773)

Dear Mr. Morrison:

The Phillips 66 Company Los Angeles Lubricants Terminal (Facility), located at 13707 S. Broadway, Los Angeles, California, provides treatment to industrial stormwater using a polypropylene matrix of oil attracting fibers enclosed within a stainless-steel framework, sedimentation, oily water separation, filtration by organo clay, activated carbon adsorption, and ion exchange. A portion of the treated stormwater is used at the Facility for filter backwash and the rest is discharged into the Dominguez Channel. The Facility currently discharges stormwater under WDRs and a NPDES permit contained in Order No. R4-2016-0056, adopted by the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) on February 11, 2016. Under this Board Order, up to 1.15 million gallons per day (mgd) treated stormwater and 0.5 mgd stormwater runoff are permitted to be discharged to the Dominguez Channel.

On July 21, 2020, the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) processed a Notice of Intent (NOI) for the Phillips 66 Company seeking coverage under State Water Board Order No. 2014-0057-DWQ, *General Permit for Stormwater Discharges Associated with Industrial Activity*, as amended by the State Water Board on August 4, 2015, and November 6, 2018 (hereafter, General Order). The State Water Board assigned Waste Discharge Identification Number (WDID) 419I028757 to this Facility and the Facility is now required to comply with the requirements of the General Order for stormwater discharges to the Dominguez Channel.

The General Order provides regulatory coverage for the discharger previously regulated by Order No. R4-2016-0056. Because Order No. R4-2016-0056 is no longer necessary,

the Regional Water Board is proposing to terminate Order No. R4-2016-0056, except for enforcement purposes, and, in order to meet the provisions contained in Division 7 of the CWC (commencing with section 13500) and regulations adopted thereunder. This action in no way prevents the Regional Water Board from taking enforcement action for past violations of the Order No. R4-2016-0056.

In accordance with administrative procedures, the Regional Water Board at a public hearing to be held on **October 08, 2020, at 9:00 a.m., in a virtual meeting**, will consider the enclosed tentative Order, which will terminate the WDRs and NPDES permit Order No. R4-2016-0056. The date and location of the October Board meeting are subject to change and updates will be provided on the Regional Water Board's website at https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/board_info/meetings/. The Board members will hear any testimony pertinent to this matter. It is expected that the Board will take action at the hearing; however, as testimony indicates, the Board, at its discretion, may order further investigation. The agenda for the meeting will be posted on the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board's website at https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/board_info/agenda/index.html approximately one week prior to the meeting.

Written comments regarding this tentative Order must be received by the Regional Water Board by **5:00 p.m. on September 18, 2020**, in order to be evaluated by Regional Water Board staff and included in the Board's agenda folder. Timely submittal of written comments is encouraged to ensure that all comments are accurately and fully included in the administrative record, that Regional Water Board staff is able to provide timely review, and that Board members have sufficient time to give full consideration to the comments and issues raised. The Board Chair may exclude from the record written materials received after this date (See Cal. Code Regs., tit. 23, § 648.4.).

If you have any question regarding this proposed action, please contact me at cris.morris@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Cris Morris, PE, PMP, Chief
Watershed Regulatory Section

Enclosure: Tentative Termination Order

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