REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD SAN DIEGO REGION

EXECUTIVE OFFICER SUMMARY REPORT DECEMBER 11, 2019

ITEM 7

SUBJECT

NPDES Permit Amendment: An Order Amending Order No. R9-2015-0009, NPDES No. CA0109142 for Transfer of Permit Responsibility, Coverage, and Liability from Continental Maritime of San Diego to HII San Diego Shipyard, Inc. (Tentative Order No. R9-2019-0220). (*Vicente Rodriguez*)

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Adoption of Tentative Order No. R9-2019-0220 (Tentative Order, **Supporting Document No. 1**) is recommended.

KEY ISSUE

The Tentative Order transfers responsibility, coverage and liability for the waste discharge requirements for a shipyard from Continental Maritime of San Diego to HII San Diego Shipyard, Inc. The Tentative Order will implement a minor modification of Order No. R9-2015-0009, NPDES No. CA0109142 to identify the new permittee name and will not result in any other changes to the requirements specified in the amended Order.

PRACTICAL VISION

The Tentative Order implements the goal of the Practical Vision to maintain healthy waters in the San Diego Region by transferring responsibility for compliance with the requirements established in Order No. R9-2015-0009 to the new permittee named as operator of the shipyard facility. Transfer of compliance responsibility by modification of Order No. R9-2015-0009 helps ensure accountability by the new permittee for compliance with waste discharge and reporting requirements to protect water quality and beneficial uses of San Diego Bay.

DISCUSSION

HII San Diego Shipyard, Inc. provided notification of a legal company name change for the shipyard located at 1995 Front Street, San Diego, Ca. on the San Diego Bay waterfront (**Supporting Document No. 2**) to HII San Diego Shipyard, Inc. Discharges from the shipyard to San Diego Bay are regulated under an NPDES Permit, Order No. R9-2015-0009.

On August 6, 2018, the San Diego Water Board received notification of the name change of the shipyard effective July 1, 2018 and received notification of further revision

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of the requested name change to HII San Diego Shipyard, Inc. on October 23, 2019. The Tentative Order proposes to transfer responsibility, coverage and liability for the NPDES Permit from Continental Maritime of San Diego to HII San Diego Shipyard, Inc, pursuant to these notifications.

The Tentative Order was noticed and released for public review and comment for a thirty-day comment period on November 1, 2019. The deadline for submission of written comments on the Tentative Order is December 2, 2019. The San Diego Water Board is not anticipating any written comments will be submitted on the Tentative Order. A copy of any comments submitted by the comment deadline will be provided to San Diego Water Board members.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Tentative Order was noticed and released for public review and comment on November 1, 2019, with comments due December 2, 2019. The Notice of Public Hearing and Opportunity to Comment was posted on the San Diego Water Board website for the duration of the comment period and sent to all known interested persons. The Notice announced a public hearing to be held on December 11, 2019, availability of the Tentative Order for review and provided instructions for submittal of written comments. A copy of the Notice is provided as **Supporting Document No. 3**. Notice of the public hearing on the Tentative Order was also provided in the Meeting Notice and Agenda for the December 11, 2019 San Diego Water Board meeting, which is posted on the Board website.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

- 1. Tentative Order No. R9-2019-0220
- 2. Location Map
- 3. Notice of Public Hearing and Opportunity to Comment