STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD MEETING OCTOBER 20, 1977

In the Matter of Review of Action of the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, North Coast Region, Regarding Adoption of Order No. 75-12 (NPDES Permit No. CAOOO5304). Our File No. A-117.

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BY THE BOARD:

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board,
North Coast Region (Regional Board) held a public hearing on
March 27, 1975, and adopted Order No. 75-12 (NPDES NO. CA0005304),
waste discharge requirements for Georgia-Pacific Corporation,
Louisiana-Pacific Corporation sawmill and plywood operation in
Fort Bragg, Mendocino County. Georgia-Pacific discharges sawmill
wastes to the Pacific Ocean and Louisiana-Pacific discharges
plywood block conditioning wastes to the Georgia Pacific millpond
and thence to the Pacific Ocean.

On June 19, 1975, the State Water Resources Control Board (State Board) adopted Resolution No. 75-64 to review Order No. 75-12 on its own motion. The State Board was concerned with whether Order No. 75-12 is consistent with the Water Quality Control Plan for Ocean Waters of California (Ocean Plan). This matter, however, has been held in abeyance pending review and modification of the Ocean Plan.

The State Board has been actively conducting review of the Ocean Plan. The staff has completed its review and the Executive Director has transmitted the draft Negative Declaration and Initial Study to the State Clearinghouse. Notice of Public Hearing has been issued for an October 19, 1977 hearing to consider the proposed amendments to the Ocean Plan. Consequently, this review and modification process is approaching completion.

In light of the above mentioned progress, we find that review of Order No. 75-12 would serve no useful purpose at this time. This matter should be dismissed and the Regional Board instructed to review Order No. 75-12 at such time as the Ocean Plan is modified. Such Regional Board review should be directed toward determining whether waste discharge requirements are consistent with the Ocean Plan as modified.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this matter be, and it is dismissed and that the Regional Board review its Order No. 75-12 for compliance with the amended Ocean Plan at such time as the Plan becomes effective.

Dated: October 20, 1977

John E. Bryson, Chairman

W. Don Maughan, Vice-Chairman

W. W. Adams, Member