CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

ORDER R5-2013-0142

RESCINDING WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS AND NPDES PERMIT

a) California Department of Transportation, Lassen Avenue Roadside Rest, Fresno County. Waste Discharge Requirements Order 73-089 was adopted by the Central Valley Water Board on 10 August 1972 to regulate the discharge of domestic type wastes from paired roadside restrooms to seepage pits. The restrooms are located on Interstate Highway 5, approximately 1.4 miles north of the Fresno-Kings County line and about six miles north of the City of Avenal. On 5 June 1997, the California Department of Transportation submitted an amended Report of Waste Discharge with supporting technical information for a new wastewater treatment facility (WWTF) for the same location. Waste Discharge Requirements Order 98-004 was adopted for the new WWTF, and the site was renamed the Coalinga-Avenal Safety Roadside Rest Area. Therefore, Order 73-089 is no longer necessary and should be rescinded. (LR)

b) NRG Delta, LLC, Contra Costa Generating Station, Contra Costa County NRG Delta, LLC, (formerly GenOn Delta, LLC and Mirant Delta, LLC) (Discharger) owns and operates the Contra Costa Generating Station (Facility) a former once-through cooling natural gas-fired steam electric generating facility. The Facility is located on the southern bank of the San Joaquin River, approximately 0.75 mile east of the City of Antioch, and approximately 1,500 feet downstream (west) of the Antioch Bridge (SR160). The Facility formerly withdrew water from the San Joaquin River to be used for cooling of two electrical generating units (Units 6 and 7), with a combined net capacity of 680 megawatts. The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) adopted Waste Discharge Requirements (WDR) Order 5 01 107 (NPDES No. CA0004863) on 27 April 2001. The Order prescribes requirements for the discharge of once-through cooling water from the Facility to the San Joaquin River, a water of the United States, within the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. Electrical Generating Units 6 and 7 were taken off line on 30 April 2013 and are being permanently retired from service. By letter dated 28 June 2013, the Discharger informed the Central Valley Water Board that the Contra Costa Generating Station ceased operations and is no longer discharging to the San Joaquin River. Therefore, WDR Order 5-01-107 is no longer necessary and is rescinded. (TRP)

c) San Luis Water District, Merced County

In January 2000, Waste Discharge Requirements (WDR) Order 5-00-016 was issued to the San Luis Water District (District) for the proposed Fox Hills Wastewater Treatment Facility (WWTF). However, construction of the proposed housing development that the WWTF was designed to serve never occurred and the WWTF was not constructed and will not be constructed. It is appropriate to rescind WDR Order 5–00-016. (JSP)

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the above Waste Discharge Requirements and NPDES Permit are rescinded.

I, PAMELA C. CREEDON, Executive Officer, do hereby certify the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an Order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region on October 4, 2013.

Original Signed by PAMELA C. CREEDON, Executive Officer