

ITEM: 15

SUBJECT: State of California, Department of General Services, Central Heating and Cooling Facility, Sacramento County

BOARD ACTION: *Consideration of Resolution Amending NPDES Permit and Cease and Desist Order*

BACKGROUND: On 1 March 2002, the Regional Board adopted Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) Order No. R5-2002-0016, NPDES No. CA0078581 and Cease and Desist Order No. R5-2002-0017 (CDO) for the Department of General Services (DGS), Central Plant Operations, Central Heating and Cooling Facility. The CDO set forth tasks and compliance schedules to achieve compliance with effluent limitations. DGS submitted new information and a request for a one year extension of the Orders. DGS prepared a master renovation plan that will result in ceasing the discharge to surface waters, obtained project authorization and funding, received approval to proceed, initiated the environmental review process, and completed public workshops. Due to the extensive nature of the project, DGS does not foresee project completion until 2009, which is beyond the current 4-year permit term and CDO time limits.

The proposed resolution extends the WDRs to a 5-year term, and amends the CDO to extend the date for thermal compliance by one year. DGS will use the additional time during the current permit cycle to develop information to support a Thermal Plan Exception. The Thermal Plan Exception will then be considered during the next permit renewal, which will cover the remaining time until the surface water discharge is terminated.

ISSUES None.

Mgmt. Review \_\_\_\_\_  
Legal Review \_\_\_\_\_

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