

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

11020 Sun Center Drive, Suite 200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670

PUBLIC HEARING

concerning

Notice of Application for Modification of Waste Discharge Requirements
(National Pollution Discharge Elimination System Permit No. CA0083861)
for

**AEROJET-GENERAL CORPORATION
SACRAMENTO COUNTY**

Aerojet-General Corporation currently discharges treated groundwater from its Groundwater Extraction and Treatment (GET) Systems to Buffalo Creek, Morrison Creek and the American River in the City of Rancho Cordova. Business activities at the Aerojet facility include development of rocket propulsion systems, engineering, manufacturing and testing, and custom and specialty chemical and pharmaceutical manufacturing and related activities. The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region (Central Valley Water Board) will consider a minor modification of Aerojet's permit to reflect changes in operation of the three treatment systems on Golden State Water Company's supply wells AC-6, AC-18 and AC-23. The proposed changes have the well startup and shutdown periods (approximately 3 minutes each) occurring under the well purging limitations specified in the permit and not the limitations specified for treatment plant discharges as the discharges do not process through the treatment plant. The initial purge water can affect the usability of ion exchange resin in the treatment plant, reducing its useful life. This well purging process currently exists on the other wells within the Golden State system and is regulated under an NPDES permit.

An **informal** public hearing concerning this matter will be held during the Central Valley Water Board meeting which is scheduled for:

DATE: 30 November and 1, 2 December 2011
TIME: 8:30 a.m.
PLACE: Central Valley Water Board
11020 Sun Center Drive, Suite 200
Rancho Cordova, California

Persons wishing to comment on this noticed informal hearing item must submit evidence, if any, or comments in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than **12 November**. Written evidence or comments submitted after **28 March 2011** will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record if doing so would prejudice any party.

All interested persons may speak at the Board meeting, and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral testimony will be limited in time by the Board Chair.

An objection by a party, either in writing or at the time of the hearing, to the decision to hold an **informal** hearing shall be resolved by the Board Chair before going ahead under the informal procedure. Failure to make a timely objection to the use of informal

hearing procedures before those procedures are used will constitute consent to an informal hearing.

Anyone having questions on proposed waste discharge requirements should contact Alexander MacDonald at (916) 464-4625. Interested parties may download the proposed Order and related documents from the Central Valley Water Board's Internet website at <http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/rwqcb5/tenative/>. If you do not have Internet access, these documents may be inspected and copied at the Central Valley Water Board's office at 11020 Sun Center Drive, #200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670-6114 weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. by appointment.

The procedures governing Central Valley Water Board meetings may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 647 et seq. and is available upon request. Hearings before the Central Valley Water Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500 et seq. The procedures may be obtained by accessing http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/water_laws/index.html. Information on meeting and hearing procedures is also available on the Central Valley Water Board's website at http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/rwqcb5/board_meetings/mtgprocd.html or by contacting any one of the Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi (916) 464-4839.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839 at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.

Original Signed by:
FREDERICK S. MOSS, Assistant Executive Officer