

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
SAN FRANCISCO BAY REGION**

**STAFF SUMMARY REPORT (Dan Leva)  
MEETING DATE: September 21, 2005**

**ITEM: 5B**

**SUBJECT: Kobe Precision, Inc., Hayward, Alameda County – Reissuance of NPDES Permit**

**CHRONOLOGY:** December 1997 – Permit reissued

**DISCUSSION:** Kobe Precision reclaims silicon wafers used in research by the high tech industries. Its discharge consists of about 200,000 gallons per day from two reverse osmosis units that remove minerals from tap water. Its treated wastewater is discharged to the Alameda Flood Control Channel, which drains to Lower San Francisco Bay.

In addition to effluent limits and provisions, the attached Tentative Order includes a compliance schedule for copper because Kobe Precision cannot currently comply with final effluent limits for this constituent. The schedule requires Kobe Precision to identify sources of copper, and take action toward reducing its effluent concentration so that it will eventually achieve compliance with final limits. This Order also allows Kobe Precision an opportunity to evaluate site-specific conditions that may justify different limits for copper with which it could comply.

We have received no comments on this item and expect it to remain uncontested.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Adoption of the Tentative Order

File No. 2199.9328

Appendices:

A - Tentative Order

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*Tentative Order*