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Notice of Panel Hearing

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Thursday, April 24, 2003
10:00 a.m.

11th Panel Hearing

Hearing Location
Public Utilities Commission
Hearing Room
320 W. 4th Street, Fifth Floor
Los Angeles, California

Agenda

Submittal of Written Material for Panel Consideration

The parties to these items must submit any written comments, a list of witnesses, and any exhibits to the Executive Officer not later than April 17, 2003. Failure to comply with these requirements is grounds for the Panel to refuse to admit the proposed written comment or exhibit into evidence. (California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 648.4)

If materials are not submitted in a timely manner, the Hearing Panel may refuse to admit written testimony into evidence unless the proponent can demonstrate why he or she was unable to submit the material on time or that compliance with the deadline would otherwise create a hardship. If any other party demonstrates prejudice resulting from admission of written comments or exhibits not timely submitted, the Hearing Panel may refuse to admit it.

The Hearing Panel is authorized to enter into closed session to deliberate on the evidence received in each of these matters. (Government Code section 11126(c)(3))

If you are reading a statement at the hearing, please provide the Executive Assistant with a copy at the Hearing.

The Hearing Panel will endeavor to consider all matters listed on this agenda. However, time may not allow the Panel to hear all matters listed. Matters not heard at this hearing may be carried over to the next Panel Hearing or to a future Regional Board meeting. Parties will be notified in writing of the rescheduling of their item. Please contact the Regional Board staff to find out about rescheduled items.

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The Panel will recess for a 10-minute break at approximately 11:15 a.m. (If necessary the Panel will recess for lunch at approximately 12:45 p.m.)

Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Introduction of Panel
[Susan Cloke 213/576-6612].....Panel Members Present
2. Order of Agenda.....Panel Direction
(The agenda items are numbered for identification purposes only and will not necessarily be considered in this order).
3. Board Member Ex Parte Communication Disclosure.
[Robert Sams, 576-6797].....Information/Discussion
(Board Members will identify any discussions they may have had requiring disclosure pursuant to Government Code section 11430.40.)

ENFORCEMENT ISSUES

4. Hearing on Complaint No. R4-2003-0008 to assess Mandatory Minimum Penalties against Kinneloa Irrigation District in the amount of \$99,000 for violation of California Water Code section 13385(h) and (i) for violation of Waste Discharge Requirements contained in Order No. 97-045. *(After a hearing to receive evidence and testimony concerning the Complaint, the Panel will make findings of fact, and conclusions of law and a proposed decision and order for presentation to the Board when the Board considers whether to affirm, modify, or rescind the Complaint in the amount of \$99,000.)* [Joyce Wang, 620-6369].....Panel Hearing
5. Hearing on Complaint No. R4-2002-0087 to assess Mandatory Minimum Penalties against MCA Inc., Universal Studios in the amount of \$258,000 for violation of California Water Code section 13385(h) and (i) for violation of Waste Discharge Requirements contained in Order No. 96-083. *(After a hearing to receive evidence and testimony concerning the Complaint, the Panel will make findings of fact, conclusions of law and a proposed decision and order for presentation to the Board when the Board considers whether to affirm, modify, or rescind the Complaint in the amount of \$258,000.)* [Lala Kabadaian, 620-6370].....Panel Hearing
6. Adjournment of Panel Hearing.

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A copy of the complete agenda package is available for examination at the Regional Board Office during regular working hours. Questions about specific items on the agenda should be directed to the staff person whose name is listed with the item.

Material presented to the Panel as part of testimony that is to be made part of the record must be left with the Board. This includes photographs, slides, charts, diagrams, etc. All Board files pertaining to the items on this Agenda are hereby made a part of the record submitted to the Regional Board by staff for its consideration prior to action on the related items.

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Pursuant to Water Code section 13320, any aggrieved person may file a petition to seek review by the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) of any action taken by the Regional Board. Such petition must be filed within 30 days of the action. Petitions must be sent to SWRCB, P.O. Box 100, 1001 I Street, Sacramento CA 95812-0100.

Our web site address is www.swrcb.ca.gov/~rwqcb4. The site can also be accessed through the State Water Resources Control Board's web site at www.swrcb.ca.gov, then clicking on "Regional Boards". Information currently available includes the Regional Board's meeting schedule, a list of the Regional Board members, a list of staff and phone numbers arranged by their work unit, a copy of the Underground Storage Tank database and information relevant to the UST program, linkage to the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Project's home page, and links to other governmental agencies. If you need further information, please contact Jack Price at 213/576-6669.

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A listing of pending water quality certification applications currently on public notice pursuant to section 401 of the Federal Clean Water Act may be obtained by calling Jason Lambert at 213/576-6733.

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