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## Central Valley Region



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### NOTICE OF APPLICABILITY OF RESOLUTION NO. R5-2003-0106 AVANGUARDIA WINES, LLC, NEVADA COUNTY

Regional Board staff has reviewed your 15 July 2005 Report of Waste Discharge (RWD) for coverage under Regional Board Resolution No. R5-2003-0106, *Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements for Small Food Processors, Including Wineries, Within the Central Valley Region*. The RWD included a Notice of Non-Applicability for compliance with the storm water General Permit and an \$872 filing fee. Our review finds the RWD to be complete.

Resolution No. R5-2003-0106 (a copy of which is enclosed) is a conditional waiver of waste discharge requirements for small food processors, including wineries. Based on the information you have submitted, the discharge as described in the RWD satisfies the general and specific conditions of Resolution No. R5-2003-0106 for the current amount of grapes crushed and wastewater produced.

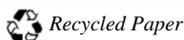
#### Discharge Description

Robert and Marilyn Chrisman (hereafter Discharger) owns and will operate Avanguardia Wines at 13028 Jones Bar Road in Nevada City. The proposed winery will consist of a 1,536 square foot building, a covered concrete crush pad, a 3.6 acre vineyard, and four separate landscaping areas totaling 0.28 acres. Wastewater generated during grape crushing activities gravity flows from the concrete crush pad into a drain and into a 1,000 gallon storage tank where the Discharger will monitor the level. From the tank, the wastewater will be pumped through an irrigation system and spray applied to the 0.28 acres of landscape.

The RWD states that the Discharger crushed approximately 8.5 tons of grapes in 2004. The Discharger plans to crush a maximum of 10 tons of grapes and generate up to 10,000 gallons of wastewater annually.

Approximately 2.5 tons of solid waste consisting of grape stems, skins, and seeds produced by the destemming and pressing operations will be generated annually. These solids will be combined with vegetation produced during weed abatement activities to produce a compost that will be applied under the vines in late fall and winter.

*California Environmental Protection Agency*



Conditional Waiver

Based on the information submitted in the RWD and subsequent technical reports, the discharge as described above satisfies the general and specific conditions of Resolution No. R5-2003-0106 for the current amount of wastewater produced. Therefore, this letter serves as formal notice that Resolution No. R5-2003-0106 is applicable and waste discharge requirements for this facility are waived.

Enclosed is a copy of Resolution No. R5-2003-0106 and the associated monitoring and reporting program. As described therein, an annual monitoring report that contains the information described in Items No. 2 and 5 of the monitoring and reporting program must be submitted by **1 February** of each year.

If the discharge violates the terms or conditions of the waiver, the Regional Board may take enforcement action, including assessment of administrative civil liability. If the methods of winery wastewater and solids disposal change from those described in the RWD, you must submit a new RWD. Please note that the waiver will expire on 11 July 2008, at which time you must submit a new RWD with a filing fee to renew the waiver, or cease the discharge. **If your total annual flow exceeds 100,000 gallons per year, the waiver is no longer applicable to your facility and you must submit a new RWD for individual Waste Discharge Requirements.**

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please do not hesitate to call Guy Childs at (916) 464-4648.

--Original Signed By--

THOMAS R. PINKOS  
Executive Officer

enc: General Order No. R5-2003-0106

cc: Kurtis Zumwalt, Nevada County Department of Environmental Health, Nevada City