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NOTICE OF APPLICABILITY, CONDITIONAL WAIVER OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR SMALL FOOD PROCESSORS AND SMALL WINERIES WITHIN THE CENTRAL VALLEY REGION, ORDER NO. R5-2009-0097-0054; AVANGUARDIA WINES, LLC; NEVADA COUNTY

Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) staff reviewed the 18 February 2010 Report of Waste Discharge (RWD), for regulatory coverage under the *Conditional Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements for Small Food Processors and Small Wineries within the Central Valley Region, Order No. R5-2009-0097* (Order) and determined that the RWD is complete. You are hereby assigned Order No. R5-2009-0097-0054.

The Order, adopted by the Central Valley Water Board on 8 October 2009, is a conditional waiver of waste discharge requirements for small wineries and small food processors. The Order is enclosed and it is also available on the website at:
http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/adopted_orders/#waivers.

Please familiarize yourself with the contents of the Order including the discharge and monitoring requirements. The facility must be operated in accordance with the requirements contained in the Order and with the information submitted in the RWD.

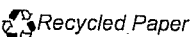
DISCHARGE DESCRIPTION

Avanguardia Wines, LLC owns and operates Avanguardia Wines located at 13028 Jones Bar Road, Nevada City in Nevada County (APN 04-570-08). The winery is located on land owned by Robert and Marilyn Chrisman. Avanguardia Wines, LLC and Robert and Marilyn Chrisman are hereafter collectively referred to as Discharger.

The Discharger will process approximately 16 tons of grapes annually for wine production. The Discharger does not anticipate an increase in crushed grapes and wine production over the next five years.

Process wastewater is generated year round from winemaking, bottling, and facility washdown and cleaning activities. The winery facility does not have a boiler. Wastewater is collected and drains in to a 1,000-gallon closed top fiberglass storage tank. The stored

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wastewater volume is monitored by visual inspection. Wastewater is applied during the crush season, typically starting in August and lasting up to December. Wastewater is pumped through a dedicated irrigation system and spray applied to four landscaping areas totaling 0.25 acres.

Domestic wastewater is collected and treated separately from the process wastewater. Domestic wastewater is treated through a standard septic and leachfield system.

Residual solids (pulp, skins, or stems remains from the winemaking process) will be composted onsite and land applied as soil amendment to a 3.5-acre vineyard. Land application of the residual solids will be applied with a tractor pulled spreader.

MONITORING AND REPORTING

The Order includes specific monitoring requirements for you to implement and reporting requirements you must comply with, including routine monitoring and reporting to the Central Valley Water Board. Please review the Monitoring and Reporting Program closely and establish the appropriate record keeping system so that you are able to complete the required *Annual Monitoring Report* form, contained in the Order. The *Annual Monitoring Report* form must be submitted to our office by **1 February of each year**, even if there is no discharge during the reporting year.

GENERAL INFORMATION AND REQUIREMENTS

The Order includes specific and general conditions required for your operation. In addition, you must maintain control over the discharge and operate in accordance with the information provided in your application and this Notice of Applicability (NOA).

Please review this NOA carefully to ensure that it completely and accurately reflects the facility name, location, and discharge. Failure to comply with the requirements of the Order may result in enforcement action as authorized by provisions of the California Water Code, which could include civil liability.

Discharge of waste material not described in the RWD is prohibited. If the method of waste disposal changes from that described in your application, you must submit an updated RWD to describe the new operation.

Please note that the Order will expire on 8 October 2014, at which time either (1) a new application with a filing fee will be necessary for regulatory coverage under a subsequently adopted new Order, (2) you seek coverage under an individual or other order, or (3) the discharge must cease.

If you have any questions regarding submitting an updated RWD, or questions about making changes to your permitted operations, please contact Mr. Robin Merod at (916) 464-4697 or rmerod@waterboards.ca.gov.

All compliance and enforcement questions should be directed to Mr. Guy Childs of the Compliance and Enforcement Section at (916) 464-4648 or gchilds@waterboards.ca.gov. All monitoring reports should be submitted to Mr. Childs by the compliance due date.

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from
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Executive Officer

Enclosure: Conditional Waiver of WDRs, Order No. R5-2009-0097

cc w/o enc: Curtis Zumwalt, Nevada County Environmental Health Department, Nevada City

