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Subject: RMK EFF/RW Characterization Sampling Timing Request

EXTERNAL:

Good evening,

In Section E1 of the Tentative NPDES Permit (Effluent and Receiving Water Characterization) the testing period for the priority pollutants is once during the permit term between 1 November 2024 and 31 October 2025 (please see the below screenshot). This is a somewhat limited window and given the relatively rare occurrence of discharge events, compliance with this requirement could be problematic. The Discharger requests increasing the testing window (from the beginning of the permit to 31 December 2026) or granting a variance to accommodate such cases where the only discharge occurs outside the stated testing window.

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The Discharger does not discharge to the receiving water on a continuous basis. Samples shall be collected from the effluent and upstream receiving water (Monitoring Locations EFF-001 and RSW-001) and analyzed for the constituents listed in Table E-5, below, once during the permit term. The results of such monitoring shall be submitted to the Central Valley Water Board with the monthly SMR's. The monitoring event shall provide representative sample results for the effluent and upstream receiving water.

- a. **Effluent Sampling.** Samples shall be collected from the effluent (Monitoring Location EFF-001) once per permit term between 01 November 2024 and 31 October 2025.
- b. **Receiving Water Sampling.** Samples shall be collected from the upstream receiving water (Monitoring Location RSW-001) once per permit term between 01 November 2024 and 31 October 2025.

Thank you,

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