
California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region

Via Email Only

March 15, 2013

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In reply refer to / attn:
CIWQS Place ID 245795:JLLim

Subject: Staff Enforcement Letter, Violations of Order No. R9-2011-0016, NPDES No. CA0107433; Oceanside Ocean Outfall (multiple facilities)

Mr. Hammond:

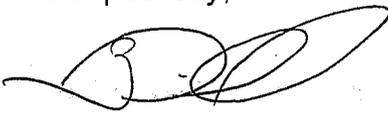
The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (San Diego Water Board) has noted the following violations in the December 2011, January 2012, and February 2012 monthly electronic self-monitoring reports (eSMRs) and January-March 2012 quarterly eSMR submitted through the California Integrated Water Quality System:

1. The following unauthorized discharge violation occurred in December 2011:
 - a. On December 16, 19,500 gallons of secondary treated wastewater spilled at the La Salina Wastewater Treatment Plant. The City recovered 16,500 gallons of the spill and the remaining 3000 gallons entered Loma Alta Creek.
2. The following deficient monitoring violations occurred in January 2012:
 - a. On January 17, the composite sample was insufficient to complete the required daily total suspended solids monitoring.
 - b. On January 17, no grab sample was taken to perform the required daily settleable solids monitoring.
3. The instantaneous maximum effluent limitation (3.0 ml/L) for settleable solids was exceeded on February 23, 2012 at Monitoring Location M-001 with the concentration of 8 ml/L.
4. The average weekly maximum effluent limitation (1.5 ml/L) for settleable solids was exceeded on February 25, 2012 at Monitoring Location M-001 with the concentration of 1.8 ml/L.
5. The January-March 2012 quarterly eSMR was submitted 22 days past the due date.

Please take steps to ensure that the violations noted above do not occur in the future. Pursuant to the California Water Code (CWC), the violations noted are subject to additional enforcement action(s) by the San Diego Water Board including a time schedule order, cease and desist order, cleanup and abatement order, imposition of administrative civil liability, referral to the district attorney for criminal prosecution, or referral to the attorney general. Administrative civil liability amounts that may be imposed by the San Diego Water Board under authority of CWC Section 13385 include up to \$10,000 per day, or up to \$10 per gallon for each gallon of waste discharged.

In the subject line of any response, please include the reference number "CIWQS Place ID 245795:JLLim". For questions or comments, please contact Joann Lim at 858-637-5589 or JLLim@waterboards.ca.gov.

Respectfully,



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Order No.	R9-2011-0016
Party ID	32485
File No.	01-146
WDID	9 000000146
NPDES No.	CA0107433
Reg. Measure No.	377272 (R9-2011-0016), 389609 (Staff Enforcement Letter, SEL)
Place ID	245795 (Oceanside Ocean Outfall), 255392 (San Luis Rey WRF), 236019 (La Salina WWTP), and 761517 (Mission Basin Desalting Facility)
Person ID	525838 (Mark Hammond)
Violation IDs	(1) 936823, (2) 942200, (3) 921148, (4) 921147, and (5) 925848