



#### **State Water Resources Control Board**

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Mr. Mark J. Sedlacek
Director of Environmental Affairs
Los Angeles Department of Water and Power
Box 51111
Los Angeles, CA 990501-5700

Dear Mr. Sedlacek:

RE: INVOICE FOR THE 2016-2017 INTERIM MITIGATION PERIOD FOR HARBOR GENERATING STATION - ONCE-THROUGH COOLING POLICY

This letter serves as an invoice for Harbor Generating Station's interim mitigation payment during the operating period of October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017 (2016-2017 interim mitigation period). The Final Determination calculating the interim mitigation payment is included as Attachment A.

The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) Statewide Water Quality Control Policy on the Use of Coastal and Estuarine Waters for Power Plant Cooling (Once-Through Cooling or OTC Policy) requires owners or operators of existing power plants to implement measures to mitigate interim impingement and entrainment impacts resulting from their cooling water intake structures. The interim mitigation period commenced on October 1, 2015 and continues up to and until owners or operators achieve final compliance with the OTC Policy. Section 2.C(3) of the OTC Policy provides options for demonstrating compliance with the interim mitigation requirements.

As stated in the 2015-2016 Final Determination for Harbor Generating Station<sup>1</sup>, Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) elected to comply with the interim mitigation requirements in Section 2.C(3)(b) of the OTC Policy. This option demonstrates compliance with the interim mitigation requirements by providing funding to the Ocean Protection Council or California Coastal Conservancy to fund an appropriate mitigation project.

The State Water Board calculated the interim mitigation payment for the 2016-2017 interim mitigation period using information provided by LADWP in their February 12, 2018 information response letter<sup>2</sup>. The annual interim mitigation payment is the sum of three components: an

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 2015-2016 Final Determination for Harbor Generating Station: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water\_issues/programs/ocean/cwa316/docs/harbor\_1516mitigation\_letter.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> LADWP's February 12, 2018 Information Response Letter: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water\_issues/programs/ocean/cwa316/powerplants/harbor/docs/ladwp\_1617inforeq\_uest\_resp.pdf

entrainment payment, an impingement payment, and a management and monitoring payment. The interim mitigation payment for Harbor Generating Station for the operating period of October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017 is \$99,256.80.

LADWP has 60 days from receipt of this letter to make this payment to the Natural Resources Agency's Ocean Protection Council. When submitting this payment, include a cover letter that identifies the National Pollution Discharge Elimination System number for Harbor Generating Station and copy Karen Mogus, Director of the Division of Water Quality at the State Water Board. Please make the check payable to the Natural Resources Agency and send to:

California Natural Resources Agency
Attn: Jenn Eckerle
1416 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 1311
Sacramento, CA 95814
Reference Account: Ocean Protection Trust Fund

If you have questions regarding this invoice letter, please contact Julie Johnson at (916) 341-5687 (<u>Julie.Johnson@waterboards.ca.gov</u>) or Katherine Faick at (916) 445-2317 (Katherine.Faick@waterboards.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

Eileen Sobeck Executive Director

Enclosure:

Attachment A - Final Determination for Harbor Generating Station

CC:

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Attachment A - Final Determination for Harbor Generating Station

# FINAL DETERMINATION TO APPROVE MITIGATION MEASURES FOR THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL POLICY ON THE USE OF COASTAL AND ESTUARINE WATERS FOR POWER PLANT COOLING:

# HARBOR GENERATING STATION OCTOBER 2016 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 2017

## Interim Mitigation Requirements and Determinations

The State Water Resources Control Board's (State Water Board) Water Quality Control Policy on the Use of Coastal and Estuarine Waters for Power Plant Cooling (Once-Through Cooling [OTC] Policy) requires owners or operators of existing power plants to implement measures to mitigate interim impingement and entrainment impacts resulting from their cooling water intake structures. The interim mitigation period commenced on October 1, 2015, and continues up to and until owners or operators achieve final compliance with the OTC Policy.

The State Water Board approved Harbor Generating Station's request to comply with the interim mitigation measures described in Section 2.C(3)(b) and Section 2.C(3)(e) of the OTC Policy in the Final Determination<sup>1</sup> for the October 1, 2015, to September 30, 2016, interim mitigation period (2015-2016 Final Determination). The 2015-2016 Final Determination also included the interim mitigation payment for the period of October 2015 through September 2016, comprised of an entrainment fee, an impingement fee and a management and monitoring fee, consistent with Resolution No. 2015-0057<sup>2</sup> and the recommendations in the Expert Review Panel's Final Report<sup>3</sup>.

The State Water Board calculated Harbor Generating Station's interim mitigation payment for October 1, 2016, through September 30, 2017, consistent with the methods and calculations applied in the 2015-2016 Final Determination.

# Interim Mitigation Payment Calculation for Harbor Generation Station

## **Entrainment Payment Calculation**

To calculate the interim mitigation payment to offset entrainment impacts, the State Water Board used the default average cost of entrainment. Consistent with Resolution No. 2015-0057 and the Expert Review Panel's Final Report, the State Water Board used a three percent escalator to update the average cost of entrainment from the 2015-2016 Final Determination to 2017 dollars to account for inflation. The resulting average default entrainment cost for October 2016 through September 2017 increased from \$4.73 per million gallons (MG) to \$4.87/MG:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> State Water Board 2015-2016 Final Determination for Harbor Generating Station.

<sup>&</sup>lt;a href="https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water">https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water</a> issues/programs/ocean/cwa316/docs/harbor 1516mitigation letter.pdf>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> State Water Board Resolution No. 2015-0057.

<sup>&</sup>lt;a href="https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board">https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board</a> decisions/adopted orders/resolutions/2015/rs2015 0057.pdf>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Final Report from the Expert Review Panel.

<sup>&</sup>lt;a href="https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water">https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water</a> issues/programs/ocean/desalination/docs/erp intake052512.pdf>

$$(\$4.73/MG \times 0.03) + \$4.73/MG = \$4.87/MG$$

In their February 12, 2018 letter<sup>4</sup>, Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) provided the intake volume for Harbor Generating Station from October 2016 through September 2017, totaling 16,982 MG. The State Water Board verified intake volume with the data submitted in the National Pollution Discharge Elimination System permit monitoring reports for Harbor Generating Station.

To calculate the entrainment payment, the State Water Board multiplied the intake volume by the updated average default cost of entrainment:

$$4.87/MG \times 16,982 MG = 82,702.34$$

Impingement Payment Calculation

In their February 12, 2018 letter, LADWP provided the total fish impingement biomass for Harbor Generating Station from October 2016 to September 2017, totaling 14.573 pounds. The State Water Board calculated the impingement payment using the estimated total pounds of fish impinged multiplied by the average indirect economic value of the fisheries as determined in the Expert Review Panel's Final Report of \$0.80 per pound:

$$0.80/pound \times 14.573 \ pounds = 11.66$$

Management and Monitoring Payment Calculation

The State Water Board calculated the management and monitoring fee by taking twenty percent of the sum of the entrainment and impingement payments:

$$0.20 \times (\$82,702.34 + \$11.66) = \$16,542.80$$

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Based on the sum of the entrainment, impingement, and management and monitoring payment calculations, the total payment is \$99,256.80 to fulfill the interim mitigation obligation for LADWP's Harbor Generating Station for the operating period of October 1, 2016, to September 30, 2017.

$$$82,702.34 + $11.66 + $16,542.80 = $99,256.80$$

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Letter from Mark Sedlacek, LADWP, to Eileen Sobeck, State Water Board on February 12, 2018. <a href="https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water">https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water</a> issues/programs/ocean/cwa316/powerplants/harbor/docs/ladwp 1617inf orequest resp.pdf>