

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION
1685 E Street, Fresno, CA 93706

PUBLIC HEARING

concerning

RESCISSION OF
WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS ORDER NO. R5-2005-0147
(NPDES NO. CA0085154) AND
TIME SCHEDULE ORDER NO. R5-2005-0148
FOR
VISALIA MEDICAL CLINIC, INC.
TULARE COUNTY

Visalia Medical Clinic, Inc. (hereafter Discharger), a California corporation, owns and operates an outpatient medical clinic at 5400 West Hillsdale Avenue in Visalia, California. The Discharger discharged up to approximately 235,000 gallons per day of non-contact cooling water from air conditioning units to Mill Creek, a water of the United States. On 21 October 2005, the Regional Board adopted Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) Order No. R5-2005-0147 and the companion Time Schedule Order (TSO) No. R5-2005-0148 for the Discharger. The TSO required the Discharger to develop, submit, and implement methods to comply with new chlorine effluent limitation in WDRs Order No. R5-2005-0147 by 23 October 2006.

On 15 March 2007, the Discharger's attorney submitted a written request to rescind Order Nos. R5-2005-0147 and R5-2005-0148. A cooling tower has been installed and became operational on 26 February 2007, thereby eliminating the discharge to Mill Creek. Therefore, it is appropriate to rescind both the WDRs and the TSO.

A public hearing concerning this matter will be held during the Regional Water Board meeting scheduled for:

DATE: 31 July / 1 August 2008
TIME: 8:30 a.m.
PLACE: Regional Water Quality Control Board
Central Valley Region
11020 Sun Center Drive, #200
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

The designated parties for this hearing are as follows:

- Staff of the Regional Water Quality Control Board
- Visalia Medical Clinic, Inc.

Only designated parties will have these rights: to call and examine witnesses; to introduce exhibits; to cross-examine opposing witnesses; to impeach any witness; and to rebut the evidence against him or her. All other persons wishing to testify or provide comments are interested persons and not designated parties. Such interested persons may request status as a designated party for purposes of this hearing by submitting such

request in writing to the Regional Water Board no later than noon on **14 July 2008**. The request must explain the basis for status as a designated party.

Persons wishing to comment on this noticed hearing item shall submit testimony, evidence, if any, and/or comments in writing to the Regional Water Board no later than by noon on **14 July 2008**. Written evidence or comments submitted after noon on **14 July 2008** will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record if doing so would prejudice any party. All designated parties and interested persons may speak at the Regional Water Board meeting, and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral testimony and cross examination will be limited in time by the Board Chair.

Anyone having questions on the proposed rescission of Order Nos. R5-2005-0147 (NPDES No. CA0085154) and R5-2005-0148 should contact Matt Scroggins at (559) 445-6042. Interested parties may download the proposed rescission Order and related documents from the Regional Water Board's Internet website at: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/tentative_orders/. Copies of these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the Regional Water Board's office at 1685 E Street, Fresno California, 93706, weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

The procedures governing Regional Water Board meetings may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 647 et seq. and is available upon request. Hearings before the Regional Water Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500 et seq. The procedures may be obtained by accessing http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/laws_regulations/. Information on meeting and hearing procedures is also available on the Regional Water Board's website at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml or by contacting any one of the Regional Water Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839 at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.

LOREN J. HARLOW, Assistant Executive Officer

11 June 2008