

INSTRUCTIONS TO APPLICANT  
FOR  
WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS

ExxonMobil Oil Corporation  
Southwestern Terminal Area I

(CA0003689)

One copy of a notice of your report of waste discharge and a statement of posting form are enclosed. By July 10, 2015, you are directed to comply with one of the following methods of informing the public of your waste discharge:

1. Post the enclosed notice in the post office and public places of the municipality nearest the premises in which the effluent source is located; or
2. Post copies of the enclosed public notice in conspicuous places near the entrance of the premises and in the locality to be affected by the discharge; or
3. Publish the enclosed public notice in a daily newspaper or periodical which circulates in the general locality to be affected by the discharge.

Any expenses arising from the posting or publication of the enclosed public notice shall be borne by the discharger.

You must file with this office proof of such posting or publication. Proof of posting shall consist of a statement executed on the enclosed form; proof of publication shall consist of an affidavit of the publisher or foreman of the newspaper, with copy of the notice, as published, attached. Proof of posting or publication must be submitted to this Board by July 24, 2015.

Failure to post or publish the public notice by the specified date will force us to reschedule this item for a later hearing and will require the posting or publication of a second notice.



Cassandra Owens, Chief  
Industrial Permitting Unit

STATEMENT OF POSTING NOTICE  
NPDES NO: CA0003689

REPORT OF WASTE DISCHARGE BY: ExxonMobil Oil Corporation-Southwestern Terminal Area I says:

(NAME OF PERSON WHO POSTED COPIES OF NOTICE)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(INSERT "THAT HE IS THE DISCHARGER" OR "THAT ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE DISCHARGER")

who filed the Report of Waste Discharge with the CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD, \_\_\_\_\_ Region,

\_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_,  
("AND DID" OR "HE DID")

post two copies of notice of said report identical to the attached copy.

That he posted one copy of said notice

\_\_\_\_\_  
(DESCRIBE HOW AND WHERE POSTED AS ACCURATELY AS POSSIBLE)

\_\_\_\_\_ and the other copy of said notice \_\_\_\_\_  
(DESCRIBE HOW AND WHERE

\_\_\_\_\_  
POSTED AS ACCURATELY AS POSSIBLE)

That each of said copies thus posted occupied a conspicuous place in the locality to be affected by the proposed discharge.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true.

Signed on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_, California.

\_\_\_\_\_  
COMPANY: \_\_\_\_\_  
(SIGNATURE OF PERSON WHO POSTED COPIES OF NOTICE)

TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

**CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
LOS ANGELES REGION**

320 W. 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 200  
Los Angeles, California 90013  
(213) 576-6600

Public Notice No. 15-019  
NPDES No. CA0003689

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

**PROPOSED REISSUANCE  
OF  
WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS  
(National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit)**

<u>DISCHARGER</u>	<u>DISCHARGE LOCATION</u>	<u>RECEIVING WATER</u>
ExxonMobil Oil Corporation – Southwestern Terminal Area I	799 South Seaside Avenue Terminal Island, CA 90731	Los Angeles Inner Harbor

ExxonMobil Oil Corporation is the owner and operator of the Southwestern Terminal Area I located at 799 South Seaside Avenue in Terminal Island, California. ExxonMobil Oil Corporation discharges up to 0.15 million gallons per day (MGD) of wastewater (tank washing/line displacement water, steam condensate, product testing water, and ship ballast water) to the Los Angeles Inner Harbor, a water of the United States. The discharge is regulated under waste discharge requirements contained in Order R4-2009-0125, adopted by this Los Angeles Regional Water Board on December 10, 2009. Order R4-2009-0125 also serves as a permit under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES No. CA0003689) Program. ExxonMobil Oil Corporation filed a Report of Waste Discharge (ROWD) and applied to the Los Angeles Regional Water Board for reissuance of waste discharge requirements (WDRs) and an NPDES permit to discharge from the Southwestern Terminal Area I.

The Southwestern Terminal Area I stores petroleum products such as gasoline, diesel, and gasoline blending components, carbon black oil, vacuum gas oil, and light cycle oil are transferred to designated storage tanks located at the Facility. The petroleum products are then pumped from the Facility to the Discharger's Torrance Refinery. The petroleum product storage tanks are surrounded by 20 to 25 foot concrete secondary containment walls. The Southwestern Terminal Area I has not discharged to surface waters since 2002. The Discharger transfers treated wastewater to the Torrance Refinery or Terminal Area II for subsequent discharge to the Los Angeles County Sanitation District's (LACSD) Publicly-Owned Treatment Works (POTW). The Discharger stated in the permit renewal application that the Facility does not intend to initiate any discharge through Discharge Point No. 001, but seeks to retain the NPDES permit for authorization to discharge in the event the current wastewater management practices change and discharge through Discharge Point No. 001 is necessary.

All of the wastewater generated and treated at the Terminal Area I is from intermittent sources. The Facility has not discharged since 2002. The Facility waits until a substantial quantity of water is stored in the 25,000-bbl oil separation tank before it activates the oil-water separator and begins to discharge treated effluent to the surface waters. The oil-water separator has a maximum daily flow capacity of 0.15 million gallons per day (MGD). Wastewater is collected in a 25,000-barrel (bbl) (1.05 million gallons) oil separation tank where waste oil floats to the water

surface and solids are allowed to settle. The floating hydrocarbons are decanted in this tank and sent to the terminal slop oil tank. When Discharge Point No. 001 was operating, the wastewater from the oil separation tank was sent to a secondary oil-water separator referred to as the “classifier” for additional treatment. Effluent from the classifier was treated in an excelsior filter and then discharged to surface waters through Discharge Point No. 001.

ExxonMobil Oil Corporation proposes to discharge up to 0.15 MGD of wastewater (tank washing/line displacement water, steam condensate, product testing water, and ship ballast water) through Discharge Point 001 (Latitude 33.73398° N, Longitude -118.27308° W) to the Los Angeles Inner Harbor, a water of the United States.

On the basis of preliminary staff review and application of lawful standards and regulations, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region, tentatively proposes to issue waste discharge requirements, including effluent limitations and special conditions.

#### HEARING DATE AND LOCATION

Date: September 10, 2015  
Time: 9:00 a.m.  
Place: Metropolitan Water District of Southern California  
Board Room 700 North Alameda Street  
Los Angeles, California 90071

#### AVAILABILITY OF DOCUMENTS

The Report of Waste Discharge, related documents, tentative requirements, comments received, and other information received on the discharge are available for inspection and copying between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at the following address:

California Regional Water Quality Control Board  
Los Angeles Region  
320 West 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 200  
Los Angeles, CA 90013

Arrangements for file review and/or obtaining copies of the documents may be made by calling the Los Angeles Regional Board at (213) 576-6600. The entire file will become a part of the administrative record of this proceeding, irrespective of whether individual documents are specifically referenced during the hearing. The entire file will not be present in the hearing room. Should any interested persons desire staff to bring to the hearing any particular documents that are not included in the agenda packet, they must submit a written or electronic request to staff during business hours, not later than five business days before the hearing. The request must identify the documents with enough specificity for staff to locate them.

#### NATURE OF HEARING

This will be a formal adjudicative hearing pursuant to section 648 et seq. of title 23 of the California Code of Regulations. Chapter 5 of the California Administrative Procedure Act (commencing with section 11500 of the Government Code) will not apply to this proceeding.

*Ex Parte Communications Prohibited:* As a quasi-adjudicative proceeding, no board member may discuss the subject of this hearing with any person, except during the public hearing itself. Any communications to the Regional Board must be directed to staff.

### COMMUNICATIONS WITH STAFF BEFORE THE HEARING

The lead staff member responsible for this item is:

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Los Angeles, CA 90013  
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### PARTIES TO THE HEARING

The following are the parties to this proceeding:

1. The applicant/permittee

Any other persons requesting party status must submit a written or electronic request to staff not later than twenty business days before the hearing. All parties will be notified if other persons are so designated.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS AND SUBMITTAL OF EVIDENCE

Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the tentative waste discharge requirements, or submit evidence for the Board to consider, are invited to submit them in writing to the above address. To be evaluated and responded to by staff, included in the Board's agenda folder, and fully considered by the Board, written comments must be submitted to [losangeles@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:losangeles@waterboards.ca.gov) with a copy to Namiraj Jain at [njain@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:njain@waterboards.ca.gov) and received no later than 5:00 pm, August 10, 2015. Comments or evidence received after that date will be submitted, ex agenda, to the Board for consideration, but only included in administrative record with express approval of the Chair during the hearing. Additionally, if the Board receives only supportive comments, the permit may be placed on the Board's consent calendar, and approved without an oral testimony.

### HEARING PROCEDURE

The meeting, in which the hearing will be a part of, will start at 9:00 a.m. Interested persons are invited to attend. Staff will present the matter under consideration, after which oral statements from parties or interested persons will be heard. For accuracy of the record, all important testimony should be in writing. The Board will include in the administrative record written transcriptions of oral testimony that is actually presented at the hearing. Oral testimony may be limited to 3 minutes for each speaker, depending on the number of persons wishing to be heard. Parties or persons with similar concerns or opinions are encouraged to choose one representative to speak. At the conclusion of testimony, the Board will deliberate in open or close session, and render a decision.

Parties or persons with special procedural requests should contact staff. Any procedure not specified in this hearing notice will be waived pursuant to section 648(d) of title 23 of the California Code of Regulations. Objections to any procedure to be used during this hearing must be submitted in writing not later than close of business 15 business days prior to the date of the hearing. Procedural objections will not be entertained at the hearing.

If there should not be a quorum on the scheduled date of this meeting, all cases will be automatically continued to the next scheduled meeting on October 8, 2015. A continuance will not extend any time set forth herein.

July 3, 2015