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## California Regional Water Quality Control Board

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Prosecution Staff's Legal and Technical Analysis in Support of Proposed MMP Order

No. R3-2009-0005, Cuyama Community Services District, Santa Barbara County

## SUMMARY

NPDES Permit CA0048089 for Cuyama Community Services District (CSD) specifies effluent discharge limitations for bromodichloromethane and for dibromochloromethane. According to a report submitted by Cuyama CSD, samples of effluent discharged from its wastewater facility in September 2007 contained concentrations of bromodichloromethane and dibromochloromethane in violation of the limitations.

California Water Code section 13385(h)(1) requires the Central Coast Water Board to assess a mandatory penalty of \$3,000 for each serious violation. Cuyama CSD's discharge violations meet the definition of a serious violation. Accordingly, Mandatory Minimum Penalty Order No. R3-2009-0005 is proposed for \$6,000 (two violations at \$3,000 per violation).

## DISCUSSION

Facility & Requirements: Cuyama CSD owns and operates a municipal wastewater collection, treatment and disposal facility that discharges treated effluent to Salisbury Creek, an intermittent tributary to the Cuyama River. The discharge is authorized by Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. R3-2007-0020, NPDES Permit No. CA0048089, which includes the following effluent limitations.

		Average	Maximum
<u>Constituent</u>	<u>Units</u>	<u>Monthly</u>	Daily
bromodichloromethane	µg/L	0.56	1.13
dibromochloromethane	μg/L	0.40	0.81

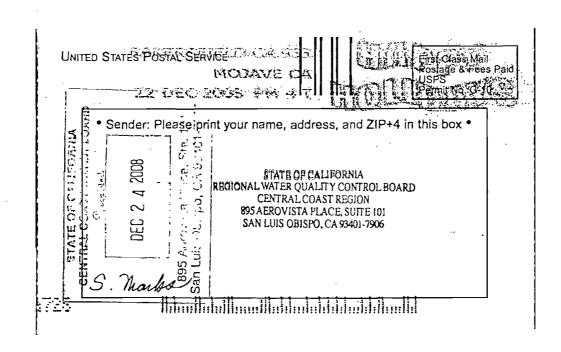
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## List of Exhibits Incorporated by Reference MMP Order No. R3-2009-0005 Cuyama Community Services District

- 1. Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. R3-2007-0020, National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit No. CA0048089 for Cuyama Community Services District Wastewater Facility
- 2. Cuyama Community Services District's September 2007 monitoring report
- 3. State Water Resources Control Board Water Quality Enforcement Policy, which can be found on the internet at the following link:

  <a href="http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board\_info/agendas/2008/feb/0219\_10current-policy.doc">http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board\_info/agendas/2008/feb/0219\_10current-policy.doc</a>)
- 4. Mandatory Minimum Penalty Complaint No. R3-2009-0005, recommending \$6,000 in liability against Cuyama Community Services District for effluent discharge violations occurring in September 2007

The above-described documents can be found in the Central Coast Water Board's files and on the internet at the following link: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/

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