

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
SAN FRANCISCO BAY REGION

STAFF SUMMARY REPORT (Adrienne Miller)
MEETING DATE: June 9, 2010

ITEM: 5A

SUBJECT: **Morton International, Inc., Morton Salt Division, Newark Facility, Newark, Alameda County; and Doug Hayes, d.b.a. California Abalone Company, Pillar Point Harbor, Half Moon Bay, San Mateo County** – Rescission of NPDES Permits

CHRONOLOGY: December 2004—NPDES Permit Reissued (California Abalone)
July 2005—NPDES Permit Reissued (Morton International)

DISCUSSION: The attached Tentative Order (Appendix A) would rescind the NPDES permits for both Morton International and California Abalone because their permits are no longer necessary. We received no comments on the Tentative Order, and expect this item to remain uncontested.

Morton International discharges industrial process wastewater and industrial storm water. Morton International has constructed a sewer line and, rather than discharge to a flood control channel, will route its industrial process wastewater to the Union Sanitary’s wastewater treatment plant. Morton International will also file for coverage under the statewide Industrial Activities Storm Water General Permit.

California Abalone’s permit was for the discharge of waste by-products associated with abalone feeding. The 2004 permit was issued in anticipation of a much larger scale of operation. Because this did not occur, California Abalone did not submit an application for NPDES permit reissuance. Since the permit expired, it must now be rescinded.

RECOMMENDATION: Adoption of the Tentative Order

File Number: 2119.9112 (Morton International)
2179.7168 (California Abalone)

CIWQS Place ID: 241493 (Morton International)
212622 (California Abalone)

Appendix: A. Tentative Order