California Regional Water Quality Control Board
San Francisco Bay Region
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PUBLIC HEARING
FOR DISCHARGE PERMIT
Tesoro Refining & Marketing Company, Golden Eagle Refinery
150 Solano Way, Martinez
Contra Costa County

The San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board's (Regional Water Board's) staff has prepared a tentative permit for this discharger, in accordance with the Federal Clean Water Act and the California Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act.

Tesoro Refining & Marketing Company owns and operates a petroleum refinery in Martinez. Tesoro treats about 4.1 million gallons per day of refinery wastewater at its wastewater treatment plant. It discharges the treated wastewater to Suisun Bay via a deep-water diffuser that is about 1,200 feet offshore. Tesoro also discharges storm water associated with industrial activities to Walnut Creek, Hastings Slough, and Pacheco Slough (all tributaries to Suisun Bay or Carquinez Strait).

The Regional Water Board intends to consider adopting the tentative permit during a meeting to commence at the time and location as follows:

Time and Date:	9:00 a.m., June 9, 2010
Location:	First Floor Auditorium, Elihu Harris State Building 1515 Clay Street, Oakland

Persons wishing to file written comments on or objections to the tentative permit or other aspects of this matter must do so no later than 5:00 p.m. on May 10, 2010, so that such comments may be considered. No written comments will be accepted or responded to in writing after that date.

Interested persons are invited to attend and express their views at the public hearing on this matter. The Water Board will hear oral testimony, but will not accept written comments after the deadline noted above.

Pursuant to section 2050(c) of Title 23 of the California Code of Regulations, any party that challenges the Water Board's action on this matter through a petition to the State Water Resources Control Board under Water Code section 13320 will be limited to raising only those substantive issues or objections that were raised before the Water Board at the public hearing or in timely submitted written correspondence delivered to the Water Board.

The application, tentative permit, fact sheet, comments received, and related documents may be inspected and copied at the Regional Water Board office. The tentative permit, fact sheet, and any additional information and developments on this matter are also available at www.waterboards.ca.gov/sanfranciscobay. A response to comments will be posted on that website one week prior to the hearing. Contact Robert Schlipf at (510) 622-2478, or by e-mail at rschlipf@waterboards.ca.gov, if you have any questions on this matter.

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