

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
SAN FRANCISCO BAY REGION

NOTICE OF PENDING ENFORCEMENT ACTION
CONOCOPHILLIPS

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region (Water Board) Prosecution Team issued a Complaint for Administrative Civil Liability (ACL) on December 17, 2009. The Complaint alleges that ConocoPhillips (Discharger) is responsible for violating effluent limitations for acute toxicity, copper, selenium, and chlorine residual at its San Francisco Refinery in Rodeo and proposes that the Discharger pay \$490,000.

The Complaint and related documents, including the procedure for Water Board hearings (with deadlines for submitting comments), are available at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sanfranciscobay/public_notices/enforcement_db.shtml#CCWRP. The Prosecution Team may amend and re-notice its Complaint in response to comments from the Discharger and the public

The Water Board will hold a hearing on March 10, 2010, to consider adoption of the ACL and/or referral of the matter to the Attorney General, unless the Discharger waives its right to a hearing within 90 days. The 90-day hearing requirement may be waived to pay the penalty as proposed, extend deadlines, or pursue settlement and/or a supplemental environmental project.

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