CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD SAN FRANCISCO BAY REGION

NOTICE OF PENDING ENFORCEMENT ACTION UNION OIL COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA ATLANTIC RICHFIELD COMPANY

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region (Water Board) Prosecution Team issued a Complaint for Administrative Civil Liability (ACL) on July 1, 2011. The Complaint alleges that Union Oil Company of California and Atlantic Richfield Company (collectively Dischargers) violated Site Cleanup Requirements (SCR) Order No. 90-133, as amended by SCR Order No. R2-2006-0084 (Order) by not timely submitting a draft Remedial Action Plan (DRAP) acceptable to the Water Board's Executive Officer pursuant to Order Provision C.3.j. The Order is a cleanup and abatement order issued pursuant to California Water Code Section 13304 that required the Dischargers to submit a DRAP, acceptable to the Executive Officer, by October 17, 2007, a deadline later extended to May 15, 2008. The Dischargers submitted an acceptable DRAP more than two years after the May 15, 2008 deadline. The Water Board Prosecution Team proposes that the Dischargers pay \$154,307.

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/pending_enforcement.sht ml. The Prosecution Team may amend and re-notice the Complaint in response to comments from the Discharger or the public.

The Water Board will hold a hearing on September 14, 2011, to consider adoption of the ACL and/or referral of the matter to the Attorney General, unless the Dischargers waive their right to a hearing within 90 days. The 90-day hearing requirement may be waived to pay the ACL as proposed, extend deadlines, or pursue settlement, which may include a supplemental environmental project.

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