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

STAFF SUMMARY REPORT (Lou Gonzales) MEETING DATE: September 10, 2014

ITEM 5A

SUBJECT: General Waste Discharge Requirements for the Discharge or Reuse of Extracted

and Treated Groundwater resulting from the Cleanup of Groundwater Polluted

by Volatile Organic Compounds - Rescission of NPDES General Permit

CHRONOLOGY: August 2009 - Permit reissued

**DISCUSSION:** This Tentative Order (Appendix A) would rescind the general permit for discharges of

treated groundwater contaminated with volatile organic compounds or VOCs (known as the VOC General Permit). This general permit is no longer necessary, because, in 2012, the Board reissued a general permit for discharges of treated groundwater contaminated with fuels and expanded it to cover groundwater contaminated with VOCs (known as the VOC/Fuel General Permit). The change was done for efficiency since the two general permits have many similar requirements. Also, there are fewer groundwater cleanup sites that need permit coverage, as many cleanup sites have closed, and, of those open, numerous sites have switched to in-situ instead of pump and treat remediation so that they no longer discharge. Since 2012, enrollees under the VOC General Permit have either ceased discharge or have obtained permit coverage under

the VOC/Fuel General Permit.

We received no written comments on the Tentative Order and expect this item to

remain uncontested.

**RECOMMEN-**

**DATION:** Adopt the Tentative Order

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**APPENDIX:** Tentative Order