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Case No. 008-03497

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California Sportfishing Protection Alliance ("CSPA") is a 501(c)(3) non-profit, public 1. benefit corporation organized under the laws of the State of California, dedicated to the protection, enhancement, and restoration of the San Francisco Bay and other California waters. Bill Jennings is the Chairperson of CSPA and a member of CSPA.

- 2. Waste Management of Alameda County, Inc. ("WMAC") is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of California that owns and operates a transfer station for commercial and municipal solid waste at 2615 Davis Street in San Leandro, California (the "Facility") pursuant to State Water Resources Control Board Water Quality Order No. 97-03-DWQ, National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System General Permit No. CAS000001, Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges of Storm Water Associated with Industrial Activities Excluding Construction Activities (hereinafter, the "General Permit"). A map of the Facility is attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated by reference. CSPA and WMAC shall be referred to herein collectively as the "Parties" and each individually as a "Party."
- 3. On April 21, 2008, CSPA provided WMAC with a Notice of Violation and Intent to File Suit ("60-Day Notice Letter") under Section 505 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (the "Act" or "Clean Water Act"), 33 U.S.C. § 1365.
- 4. On July 21, 2008, CSPA filed its Complaint in the United States District Court for the Northern District of California against WMAC (California Sportfishing Protection Alliance v. Waste Management of Alameda County, Inc., Case No. 3:08-cv-03497-SC). A true and correct copy of the Complaint, including the 60-Day Notice Letter, is attached hereto as Exhibit B and incorporated by reference.
 - WMAC denies any and all of CSPA's claims in its 60-Day Notice Letter and 5.

Complaint.

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- 6. CSPA and WMAC, through their authorized representatives and without either adjudication of CSPA's claims or admission by WMAC of any alleged violation or other wrongdoing, have chosen to resolve in full CSPA's allegations in the 60-Day Notice Letter and Complaint through settlement and avoid the cost and uncertainties of further litigation.
- 7. The Parties wish to compromise, resolve, settle, and terminate any and all disputes or claims between them as to the allegations set forth in the 60-Day Notice Letter and Complaint and as a result consent to the entry of this Consent Decree and Order without trial of any issues and stipulate that in order to settle the Claims, this Consent Decree and order should be entered. This Consent Decree constitutes a settlement of disputed claims. It is not an admission of jurisdiction over or liability for the allegations set forth in the 60-Day Notice Letter and Complaint or an admission of any fact. Should this proposed Consent Decree fail to be entered for any reason, this proposed Consent Decree, and any statement or other provision contained in this proposed Consent Decree shall have no legal effect and shall not be used for any purpose in any subsequent proceeding in this or any other litigation.
- The Parties agree, and this Court by entering this Consent Decree finds, that this 8. Consent Decree has been negotiated by the Parties in good faith, that settlement of this matter will avoid prolonged and complicated litigation between the Parties, and that this Consent Decree is fair, reasonable, and in the public interest.

THEREFORE, with the consent of the Parties to this Consent Decree, it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED:

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COURT'S AUTHORITY B.

This Court has authority under the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1365 to enter and enforce this Consent Decree.

C. INJUNCTIVE RELIEF

1. Effective Date.

This Consent Decree shall be effective upon the date this Consent Decree is entered by the Court (the "Effective Date"). Pursuant to 33 U.S.C. § 1365(c)(3), the Court shall not enter this Consent Decree until 45 days after receipt of a copy of the proposed Consent Decree by the Attorney General and the Administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

Compliance with General Permit. 2.

WMAC agrees to operate the Facility in compliance with the applicable requirements of the General Permit and Clean Water Act.

3. **Implemented Storm Water Controls**

WMAC shall maintain in good working order all storm water collection and treatment systems currently installed or to be installed pursuant to this Consent Decree, including but not limited to, existing housekeeping measures.

Additional Best Management Practices 4.

WMAC shall implement the following best management practices ("BMPs") to

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improve the storm water pollution prevention measures at the drop inlets and outfalls at the Facility:

- Within TEN (10) calendar days after the Effective Date, WMAC shall a. improve the effectiveness of the straw wattles surrounding the drop inlets in the unpaved areas of the Facility by digging trenches for the wattles and anchoring the wattles into the ground.
- Within TEN (10) calendar days after the Effective Date, WMAC shall install b. catch basin filters or bag inserts on all drop inlets and catch basins at the Facility. WMAC shall use appropriate mesh sizing to catch finer grain materials. Each filter shall be replaced or maintained as needed.
- Within TEN (10) calendar days after the Effective Date, WMAC shall design c. removable metal covers for all drop inlets at the Facility to prevent the accumulation of dirt, leaves, sediment, and other similar materials. The covers shall be placed over all drop inlets on or before July 1st at the end of each rainy season, subsequent to appropriate maintenance of the filters described above. The covers shall be removed prior to the first rain event of the subsequent rainy season. The covers shall be fitted to prevent such materials from entering the drop inlets and designed such that the covers will remain firmly in place while there is normal activity at the Facility.
- Within TEN (10) calendar days after the Effective Date, WMAC shall install d. curbing and shall pave the road near Discharge Point #5 to prevent flows from discharging to the gully. By November 1, 2009, WMAC shall fill the gully in order to prevent flows from discharging through the gully near Discharge Point #5.
- WMAC shall take the following actions to upgrade the storm water treatment e. system at the Facility's outfalls and agrees that the treatment system shall be designed to handle up to a 15-year, 24-hour storm event.

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(i) By June	e 1, 2009, WMAC shall complete an engineering feasibility	
study to evalua	te and select a long-term treatment alternative(s) for reduci	ng
total suspended	l solids ("TSS") and other storm water pollutants below the	
bench mark val	lues. This study will include an alternative to treat the storr	n
water discharge	ed at the Recycling Center outfall (Discharge Point #3). Th	ie
study will eval	uate treatment systems designed to treat a 15-year, 24-hour	
ctorm event		

- (ii) By August 1, 2009, WMAC shall complete design plans and specifications for the selected alternative(s).
- (iii) By October 1, 2009, WMAC shall implement the selected alternative(s).

5. Increased Housekeeping Measures

WMAC shall institute the following accelerated cleaning schedule at the Facility:

- a. WMAC will make the following improvements to its sweeping program:
 - (i) Within TEN (10) calendar days after the Effective Date, WMAC shall update the sweeping maps from the Facility and include a copy of the maps in the Facility's Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan ("SWPPP").
 - (ii) Beginning TEN (10) calendar days after the Effective Date, WMAC shall conduct mechanical sweeping of the entire Facility each weekday (excluding holidays).

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- All sweeping activities performed at the Facility shall be recorded in a (iii) sweeping log. A sample blank log form will be included in the Facility's Annual Report and the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan.
- (iv) Within TEN (10) calendar days after the Effective Date, WMAC shall institute a training program for the sweeper operators with an evaluation component.
- Within THIRTY (30) calendar days after the Effective Date, WMAC (v) shall complete an evaluation of sweepers, including regenerative sweepers, to determine which sweeper type is best suited for the Facility.
- (vi) Within SIXTY (60) calendar days after the completion of the sweeper evaluation described in the preceding subsection and only if a new sweeper is identified as appropriate, WMAC shall acquire and begin using the new sweeper.
- (vii) At the end of the 2008-2009 rainy season, in the written memorandum described below in Section C.8, WMAC shall evaluate the feasibility of installing a GPS unit into the sweeper with a visual display recording the sweeper path to ensure that the entire Facility is swept each day.
- b. Within THIRTY (30) calendar days after the Effective Date, WMAC shall implement a program for cleaning out the drop inlet filters, including weekly cleanouts during the rainy season. WMAC shall monitor the filters for damage and replace as necessary.
- ¢. Within TEN (10) calendar days after the Effective Date, WMAC shall institute appropriate BMPs to avoid storm drains when spraying water for dust control.

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6. Monitoring

WMAC agrees to perform the monitoring described herein during the 2008-2009, 2009-2010, and 2010-2011 rainy seasons in addition to the minimum monitoring requirements of the General Permit.

- WMAC shall monitor all storm water discharge locations. For each discharge a. location, monitoring samples shall be collected at a point downstream from any management measures and treatment systems. Monitoring shall be performed consistent with the monitoring requirements of the General Permit.
- b. During the 2008-2009 and 2009-2010 rainy seasons, WMAC shall sample and analyze storm water discharges from four (4) qualifying storm events that result in discharge consistent with the requirements and protocols set forth in the General Permit. During the 2010-2011 rainy season, WMAC shall sample and analyze storm water discharges from three (3) qualifying storm events that result in discharge consistent with the requirements and protocols set forth in the General Permit.
- WMAC shall analyze each storm water sample taken in accordance with the c. General Permit and this Consent Decree for, at a minimum, TSS, pH, oil and grease or total organic carbon, electrical conductivity, chemical oxygen demand, iron, zinc, copper, aluminum, lead, and nitrate plus nitrite as nitrogen (N+N). (WMAC shall not be required to sample for N+N if WMAC and its analytical laboratory cannot meet the required 48-hour holding time for analysis. Generally, samples taken on a weekday, but prior to 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, can meet the required holding times.) WMAC may eliminate one or more of these pollutants from future sampling analysis if allowed by Section B.5.c. of the General Permit.
 - d. WMAC shall conduct monthly visual observations of Discharge Points 2, 3, 4,

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and 5 for at least one qualifying rain event per month (unless no such qualifying event occurs) that results in any discharge from the Facility. Monitoring of Discharge Points 4 and 5 will only be performed if the discharge points are visible. WMAC shall maintain a written log describing these observations.

7. **Monitoring Results**

Results from WMAC's sampling and analysis during the term of this Consent Decree shall be provided to CSPA within 30 calendar days of receipt of the sampling results by WMAC or its counsel.

8. Meet and Confer Regarding Exceedance of Levels of Potential Concern

If analytical results of storm water samples taken by WMAC during the 2008-2009, 2009-2010, or the 2010-2011 rainy seasons indicate that storm water discharges from the Facility exceed the following levels of potential concern - Total Suspended Solids: 100 mg/L; Specific Conductance: 200 µmhos/cm; Oil & Grease: 15 mg/L or Total Organic Carbon: 120 mg/L; pH: 6.0-9.0 s.u.; Aluminum: 0.75 mg/L; Zinc: 0.117 mg/L; Iron: 1.0 mg/L; Copper: 0.0636 mg/L; Lead: 0.0816 mg/L; Chemical Oxygen Demand: 120 mg/L; and Nitrate + Nitrite as Nitrogen: 0.68 mg/L. WMAC agrees to take additional feasible measures aimed at reducing pollutants in the Facility's storm water to levels at or below these levels.

In furtherance of that objective, WMAC shall prepare a written statement ("Memorandum") discussing:

- any exceedance or exceedances; a.
- b. an explanation of the possible cause(s) and/or source(s) of any exceedance;

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additional feasible best management practices, if any, that will be taken to c.

further reduce the possibility of future exceedance(s).

than July 15th following the conclusion of each rainy season.

Such Memorandum shall be e-mailed and sent via first class mail to CSPA not later

Any additional measures set forth in the Memorandum shall be implemented as soon as practicable, but not later than 21 calendar days from the due date of the Memorandum, except where 1) structural changes require longer than 21 calendar days to complete; 2) weather-related conditions render immediate implementation infeasible; or 3) the Parties agree in writing to defer implementation of specific measures in order to effectively meet and confer in accordance with Section C.8. Within thirty (30) calendar days of implementation, WMAC's SWPPP shall be amended to include all additional BMP measures designated in the Memorandum.

Upon receipt of the Memorandum, CSPA may review and comment on any additional measures. If requested by CSPA within 21 days of receipt of such Memorandum, CSPA and WMAC shall meet and confer and conduct a site inspection within 60 days after the due date of the Memorandum to discuss the contents of the Memorandum and the adequacy of proposed measures to improve the quality of the Facility's storm water to levels at or below the Levels of Potential Concern. If within 21 days of the parties meeting and conferring, the Parties do not agree on the adequacy of the additional measures set forth in the Memorandum, the Parties may agree to seek a settlement conference with the Judge assigned to this action pursuant to Section J.2 below. If the Parties fail to reach agreement on additional measures, CSPA may bring a motion before the Judge consistent with Section J.2 below. If CSPA does not request a meet and confer regarding the Memorandum within the 21 day comment period provided for in this paragraph, CSPA shall waive any right to object to such Memorandum pursuant to this Consent Decree.

Any concurrence or failure to object by CSPA with regard to the reasonableness of any additional measures implemented by WMAC shall not be deemed to be an admission of the adequacy of such measures should they fail to bring the Facility's storm water into compliance with applicable water quality criteria.

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In addition to any site inspections conducted as part of meeting and conferring on additional measures set forth above, WMAC shall permit representatives of CSPA to perform one (1) additional site visit to the Facility per year during normal daylight business hours during the term of this Consent Decree; provided that CSPA provides WMAC via e-mail with at least one week prior written notice.

9. **Provision of Documents and Reports**

During the life of this Consent Decree, WMAC shall provide CSPA with a copy of all documents submitted to the Regional Board or the State Water Resources Control Board ("State Board") concerning the Facility's storm water discharges, including but not limited to all documents and reports submitted to the Regional Board and/or State Board as required by the General Permit. Such documents and reports shall be mailed to CSPA contemporaneously with submission to such agency. WMAC also shall provide CSPA a copy of all documents referenced in this agreement, including but not limited to logs, photographs, or analyses, within seven (7) calendar days of a written request (via e-mail or regular mail) by CSPA.

10. Amendment of SWPPP

Within sixty (60) calendar days of the Effective Date of this Consent Decree, WMAC shall amend the Facility's Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan ("SWPPP") to incorporate all changes, improvements, sample log forms, and best management practices set forth in or resulting from this Consent Decree. WMAC shall amend the SWPPP to reflect that water used on material for

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dust-control is not an authorized non-storm water discharge and that such spraying should seek to avoid all storm drains. In addition, the Facility shall amend the maps in the SWPPP to clearly delineate the Facility boundaries, direction of storm water flow and runoff within each drainage area, indicate all drop inlet locations and which inlets go to the sanitary sewer and which are now defunct or blocked, identify all areas of soil erosion, and indicate location of non-storm water discharge points. The Facility shall ensure that all maps, tables, and text comply with the requirements of the General Permit. A copy of the amended SWPPP shall be provided to CSPA within thirty (30) calendar days of completion.

D. MITIGATION PAYMENT

In recognition of the good-faith efforts by WMAC to comply with all aspects of the General Permit and the Clean Water Act, and in lieu of payment by WMAC of any penalties, which may have been assessed in this action if it had proceeded to trial, WMAC agrees to pay the sum of FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000) to the Rose Foundation for Communities and the Environment ("Rose Foundation") for the sole purpose of providing grants to environmentally beneficial projects within the San Francisco Bay-Delta Estuary, relating to water quality improvements in the area. Payment shall be made by WMAC within THIRTY (30) calendar days of the Effective Date. Payment by WMAC shall be made in the form of a single check payable to the "Rose Foundation."

ATTORNEY'S FEES AND COSTS; COMPLIANCE OVERSIGHT COSTS E.

As reimbursement for CSPA's investigative, expert and attorneys' fees and costs, WMAC shall pay CSPA the sum of THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$30,000). Payment shall be made by WMAC within THIRTY (30) calendar days of the Effective Date. Payment by WMAC to CSPA shall be made in the form of a single check payable to "Lozeau Drury LLP Attorney-Client Trust Account," and shall constitute full payment for all costs of litigation, including investigative,

expert and attorneys' fees and costs incurred by CSPA that have or could have been claimed in connection with CSPA's claims, up to and including the Effective Date of this Consent Decree.

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As reimbursement for CSPA's future costs that will be incurred in order for CSPA to monitor WMAC's compliance with this Consent Decree and to effectively meet and confer and evaluate monitoring results for the Facility, WMAC agrees to pay CSPA the amount of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000) for costs to be incurred in overseeing the implementation of this Consent Decree. WMAC shall make payment to CSPA within THIRTY (30) calendar days after the Effective Date. Payment by WMAC to CSPA shall be made in the form of a check payable to "Lozeau Drury LLP Attorney-Client Trust Account."

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F. RELEASE OF CLAIMS; COVENANT NOT TO SUE

In consideration of the above, and except as otherwise provided by this Consent Decree, the Parties hereby forever and fully release each other and their respective successors, assigns, officers, agents, employees, and all persons, firms and corporations having an interest in them, from any and all claims and demands of any kind, nature, or description whatsoever, and from any and all liabilities, damages, injuries, actions or causes of action, either at law or in equity, which the Parties have against each other arising from CSPA's allegations and claims as set forth in the 60-Day Notice Letter and Complaint up to and including the Termination Date of this Consent Decree.

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The Parties acknowledge that they are familiar with section 1542 of the California Civil Code, which provides:

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A general release does not extend to claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his or her favor at the time of executing the release, which if known by him or her must have materially affected his or her settlement with the debtor.

The Parties hereby waive and relinquish any rights or benefits they may have under California Civil Code section 1542 with respect to any other claims against each other arising from, or related to, the allegations and claims as set forth in the 60-Day Notice Letter and Complaint up to and including the Termination Date of this Consent Decree.

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For the period beginning on the Effective Date and ending on December 15, 2011, CSPA agrees that neither CSPA, its officers, executive staff, members of its governing board nor any organization under the control of CSPA, its officers, executive staff, or members of its governing board, will file any lawsuit against WMAC seeking relief for alleged violations of the Clean Water Act or violations of the General Permit. CSPA further agrees that, beginning on the Effective Date and ending on December 15, 2011, CSPA will not support other lawsuits, by providing financial assistance, personnel time or other affirmative actions, against WMAC that may be proposed by other groups or individuals who would rely upon the citizen suit provision of the Clean Water Act to challenge WMAC's compliance with the Clean Water Act or the General Permit.

G. NOTICE TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

WMAC shall submit this Consent Decree to the U.S. EPA and the U.S. Department of Justice (hereinafter, the "Agencies") via certified mail, return receipt requested, within five (5) calendar days after filing of this Consent Decree with the Court for review consistent with 33 U.S.C. § 1365(c)(3). The Agencies' review period expires forty-five (45) calendar days after receipt of the Consent Decree by both Agencies, as evidenced by the return receipts, copies of which shall be provided to CSPA upon receipt by WMAC.

H. TERMINATION DATE OF CONSENT DECREE

This Consent Decree shall terminate on December 15, 2011.

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I. BREACH OF CONSENT DECREE; IMPOSSIBILITY OF PERFORMANCE

Where implementation of the actions set forth in this Consent Decree, within the deadlines set forth in those paragraphs, becomes impossible, despite the timely good faith efforts of the Parties, the Party who is unable to comply shall notify the other in writing within seven (7) calendar days of the date that the failure becomes apparent, and shall describe the reason for the nonperformance. The Parties agree to meet and confer in good faith concerning the non-performance and, where the Parties concur that the non-performance was or is impossible, despite the timely good faith efforts of one of the Parties, new performance deadlines shall be established. In the event that the Parties cannot timely agree upon the terms of such a stipulation, either of the Parties shall have the right to invoke the dispute resolution procedure described herein.

J. **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

- 1. No Admission or Finding. Neither this Consent Decree nor any payment pursuant to the Consent Decree shall constitute evidence or be construed as a finding, adjudication, or acknowledgment of any fact, law or liability, nor shall it be construed as an admission of violation of any law, rule or regulation. However, this Consent Decree and/or any payment pursuant to the Consent Decree may constitute evidence in actions seeking compliance with this Consent Decree.
- 2. Dispute Resolution Procedures. Except as specifically noted herein, any dispute with respect to any of the provisions of this Consent Decree shall be resolved through the following procedure. The Parties agree to first meet and confer to resolve any dispute arising under this Consent Decree. In the event that such disputes cannot be resolved through this meet and confer process, the Parties agree to request a settlement meeting before the Judge assigned to this action. In the event that the Parties cannot resolve the dispute by the conclusion of the settlement meeting with the Judge, the Parties agree that either Party may submit the dispute via motion to the Judge.

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In resolving any dispute arising from this Consent Decree, the Judge shall have discretion to award attorneys' fees and costs to either Party. The relevant provisions of the then-applicable Clean Water Act and Rule 11 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure shall govern the allocation of fees and costs in connection with the resolution of any disputes before the Judge. The Judge shall award relief limited to compliance orders and awards of attorneys' fees and costs, subject to proof. The Parties agree to file any waivers necessary for the Judge to preside over any settlement conference and motion practice.

- 3. Construction. The language in all parts of this Consent Decree shall be construed according to its plain and ordinary meaning, except as to those terms defined by law, in the General Permit, Clean Water Act or specifically herein.
- 4. Choice of Law. This Consent Decree shall be governed by the laws of the United States, and where applicable, the laws of the State of California.
- 5. Severability. In the event that any provision, section, or sentence of this Consent Decree is held by a court to be unenforceable, the validity of the enforceable provisions shall not be adversely affected.
- 6. Correspondence. All notices required herein or any other correspondence pertaining to this Consent Decree shall be sent by regular, certified, or overnight mail as follows:

If to CSPA:

Bill Jennings, Chairman California Sportfishing Protection Alliance 3536 Rainier Road Stockton, CA 95204 Tel: (209) 464-5067 deltakeep@aol.com

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If to WMAC:

Waste Management of Alameda County, Inc. Attention: District Manager Davis Street Transfer Station 2615 Davis Street San Leandro, California 94577

And to:

John Lynn Smith Reed Smith LLP 1999 Harrison Street **Suite 2200** Oakland, CA 94612 Tel: (510) 466-6778 ilsmith@reedsmith.com

Notifications of communications shall be deemed submitted on the date that they are e-mailed, postmarked and sent by first-class mail or deposited with an overnight mail/delivery service. Any change of address or addresses shall be communicated in the manner described above for giving notices.

7. Counterparts. This Consent Decree may be executed in any number of counterparts, all of which together shall constitute one original document. Telecopied, scanned (.pdf), and/or facsimiled copies of original signature shall be deemed to be originally executed counterparts of this Consent Decree.

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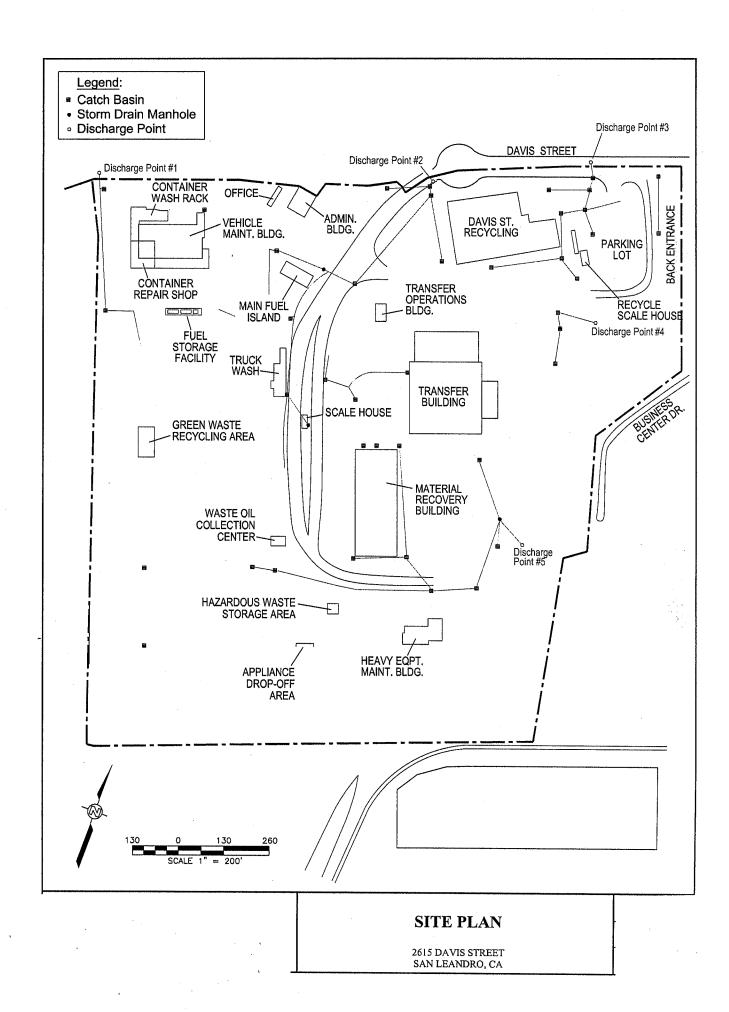
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- 8. Assignment. Subject only to the express restrictions contained in this Consent Decree, all of the rights, duties and obligations contained in this Consent Decree shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the Parties, and their successors and assigns.
- 9. Modification of the Agreement. This Consent Decree, and any provisions herein, may not be changed, waived, discharged or terminated unless by a written instrument, signed by the Parties.
- 10. Full Settlement. This Consent Decree constitutes a full and final settlement of this matter. It is expressly understood and agreed that the Consent Decree has been freely and voluntarily entered into by the Parties with and upon advice of counsel.
- 11. Integration Clause. This is an integrated Consent Decree. This Consent Decree is intended to be a full and complete statement of the terms of the agreement between the Parties and expressly supersedes any and all prior oral or written agreements covenants, representations and warranties (express or implied) concerning the subject matter of this Consent Decree.
- 12. Authority. The undersigned representatives for CSPA and WMAC each certify that he/she is fully authorized by the Party whom he/she represents to enter into the terms and conditions of this Consent Decree.

K. RETENTION OF JURISDICTION

Subject to the provisions of this Consent Decree, this Court shall retain jurisdiction to enforce the terms and conditions of this Consent Decree. This Consent Decree shall terminate after all terms and conditions specified within this Consent Decree have been satisfied.

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18	vs.				
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21	Defendant.				
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24	I. <u>INTRODUCTION</u>				
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- Excluding Construction Activities," State Water Resources Control Board ("State Board") Water Quality Order No. 91-13-DWQ, as amended by Water Quality Order No. 92-12-DWQ and Water Quality Order No. 97-03-DWQ, National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ("NPDES") Permit No. CAS000001, (hereinafter "the Order" or "Permit"). Defendant's violations of the discharge, treatment technology, monitoring requirements, and other procedural and substantive requirements of the Permit and the Act are ongoing and continuous.
- 2. The failure on the part of persons and facilities such as Defendant and its industrial facility to comply with storm water requirements is recognized as a significant cause of the continuing decline in water quality of the San Francisco Bay ("Bay") and other area receiving waters. The general consensus among regulatory agencies and water quality specialists is that storm pollution amounts to a substantial portion of the total pollution entering the aquatic environment each year. With every rainfall event, millions of gallons of polluted rainwater originating from industries within the surrounding area pour into the Bay.
- 3. The continuing decline in water quality in the San Francisco Bay is a matter of serious public concern. Data gathered by CalFed, a coalition of fifteen state and federal agencies analyzing water allocation issues, has confirmed that the Bay is a heavily polluted water body. The entire Bay and all of its major tributaries have been identified by the State Board, the Regional Board, and EPA as impaired water bodies under Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act. 33 U.S.C. § 1313(d).

Π. **JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

4. This is a civil suit brought under the citizen suit enforcement provisions of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1251, et seq. (the "Clean Water Act" or "the Act"). This Court has subject matter jurisdiction over the parties and the subject matter of this action pursuant to Section 505(a)(1)(A) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1365(a)(1)(A), and 28 U.S.C. § 1331 (an action arising under the laws of the United States). The relief requested is authorized pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 2201-02 (power to issue declaratory relief in case of

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actual controversy and further necessary relief based on such a declaration); 33 U.S.C. §§ 1319(b), 1365(a) (injunctive relief); and 33 U.S.C. §§ 1319(d), 1365(a) (civil penalties).

- 5. On or about April 21, 2008, Plaintiff provided notice of Defendant's violations of the Act, and of its intention to file suit against Defendant, to the Defendant; the Administrator of the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA"); the Administrator of EPA Region IX; the Executive Director of the State Water Resources Control Board ("State Board"); and to the Executive Officer of the Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region ("Regional Board"). A true and correct copy of CSPA's notice letter is attached as Exhibit A, and is incorporated by reference.
- 6. More than sixty days have passed since notice was served on Defendant and the State and federal agencies. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereupon alleges, that neither the EPA nor the State of California has commenced or is diligently prosecuting a court action to redress the violations alleged in this complaint. This action's claim for civil penalties is not barred by any prior administrative penalty under Section 309(g) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g).
- 7. Venue is proper in the Northern District of California pursuant to Section 505(c)(1) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1365(c)(1), because the source of the violations is located within this judicial district. Pursuant to Local Rule 3-2(c), intradistrict venue is proper in Oakland, California because the sources of the violations are located within Alameda County, California.

("CSPA") is a non-profit public benefit corporation organized under the laws of the State of California with its main office in Stockton, California. CSPA has approximately 2,000 members who live, recreate and work in and around waters of the State of California, including the San Francisco Bay. CSPA is dedicated to the preservation, protection, and defense of the environment, the wildlife and the natural resources of all waters of California. To further these goals, CSPA actively seeks federal and state agency implementation of the

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Act and other laws and, where necessary, directly initiates enforcement actions on behalf of itself and its members.

- 9. Members of CSPA reside in and around the Bay and enjoy using the Bay for recreation and other activities. Members of CSPA use and enjoy the waters into which Defendant has caused, is causing, and will continue to cause, pollutants to be discharged. Members of CSPA use those areas to fish, sail, boat, kayak, swim, bird watch, view wildlife and engage in scientific study including monitoring activities, among other things. Defendant's discharges of pollutants threaten or impair each of those uses or contribute to such threats and impairments. Thus, the interests of CSPA's members have been, are being, and will continue to be adversely affected by Defendant's failure to comply with the Clean Water Act and the Permit. The relief sought herein will redress the harms to Plaintiff caused by Defendant's activities.
- 10. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereupon alleges, that Defendant WASTE MANAGEMENT OF ALAMEDA COUNTY, INC. (hereinafter "Defendant" or "Waste Management") is a corporation organized under the laws of California. Defendant Waste Management operates the Davis Street Transfer Station, a transfer station for municipal and solid waste, in San Leandro, California.

IV. STATUTORY BACKGROUND

- 11. Section 301(a) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1311(a), prohibits the discharge of any pollutant into waters of the United States, unless such discharge is in compliance with various enumerated sections of the Act. Among other things, Section 301(a) prohibits discharges not authorized by, or in violation of, the terms of an NPDES permit issued pursuant to Section 402 of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1342.
- 12. Section 402(p) of the Act establishes a framework for regulating municipal and industrial storm water discharges under the NPDES program. 33 U.S.C. § 1342(p). States with approved NPDES permit programs are authorized by Section 402(p) to regulate industrial storm water discharges through individual permits issued to dischargers or through the issuance of a single, statewide general permit applicable to all industrial storm water

dischargers. 33 U.S.C. § 1342(p).

- 13. Pursuant to Section 402 of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1342, the Administrator of the U.S. EPA has authorized California's State Board to issue NPDES permits including general NPDES permits in California.
- 14. The State Board elected to issue a statewide general permit for industrial storm water discharges. The State Board issued the General Permit on or about November 19, 1991, modified the General Permit on or about September 17, 1992, and reissued the General Permit on or about April 17, 1997, pursuant to Section 402(p) of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1342(p).
- 15. In order to discharge storm water lawfully in California, industrial dischargers must comply with the terms of the General Permit or have obtained and complied with an individual NPDES permit. 33 U.S.C. § 1311(a).
- 16. The General Permit contains several prohibitions. Effluent Limitation B(3) of the General Permit requires dischargers to reduce or prevent pollutants in their storm water discharges through implementation of the Best Available Technology Economically Achievable ("BAT") for toxic and nonconventional pollutants and the Best Conventional Pollutant Control Technology ("BCT") for conventional pollutants. BAT and BCT include both nonstructural and structural measures. General Permit, Section A(8). Discharge Prohibition A(2) of the General Permit prohibits storm water discharges and authorized nonstorm water discharges that cause or threaten to cause pollution, contamination, or nuisance. Receiving Water Limitation C(1) of the General Permit prohibits storm water discharges to any surface or ground water that adversely impact human health or the environment. Receiving Water Limitation C(2) of the General Permit prohibits storm water discharges that cause or contribute to an exceedance of any applicable water quality standards contained in a Statewide Water Quality Control Plan or the applicable Regional Board's Basin Plan.
- 17. EPA has established Parameter Benchmark Values as guidelines for determining whether a facility discharging industrial storm water has implemented the requisite BAT and BCT. 65 Fed. Reg. 64746, 64767 (Oct. 30, 2000). EPA has established

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Parameter Benchmark Values for the following parameters, among others: total suspended solids – 100 mg/L; aluminum – 0.75 mg/L; copper – 0.0636 mg/L; iron – 1.0 mg/L; zinc – 0.117 mg/L; lead – 0.0816 mg/L; oil & grease – 15 mg/L; chemical oxygen demand – 120 mg/L. The California State Water Resources Control Board has proposed a Benchmark Value for electrical conductance of 200 μ mhos/cm.

- 18. In addition to absolute prohibitions, the General Permit contains a variety of substantive and procedural requirements that dischargers must meet. Facilities discharging, or having the potential to discharge, storm water associated with industrial activity that have not obtained an individual NPDES permit must apply for coverage under the State's General Permit by filing a Notice of Intent To Comply ("NOI"). The General Permit requires existing dischargers to have filed their NOIs before March 30, 1992.
- 19. Dischargers must develop and implement a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan ("SWPPP"). The SWPPP must describe storm water control equipment and measures that comply with the BAT and BCT standards. The General Permit requires that an initial SWPPP has been developed and implemented before October 1, 1992. The SWPPP must, among other requirements, identify and evaluate sources of pollutants associated with industrial activities that may affect the quality of storm and non-storm water discharges from the facility and identify and implement site-specific best management practices ("BMPs") to reduce or prevent pollutants associated with industrial activities in storm water and authorized non-storm water discharges (Section A(2)). The SWPPP's BMPs must implement BAT and BCT (Section B(3)). The SWPPP must include: a description of individuals and their responsibilities for developing and implementing the SWPPP (Section A(3)); a site map showing the Facility boundaries, storm water drainage areas with flow pattern and nearby water bodies, the location of the storm water collection, conveyance and discharge system, structural control measures, impervious areas, areas of actual and potential pollutant contact, and areas of industrial activity (Section A(4)); a list of significant materials handled and stored at the site (Section A(5)); a description of potential pollutant sources including industrial processes, material handling and storage areas, dust and particulate

generating activities, and a description of significant spills and leaks, a list of all non-storm water discharges and their sources, and a description of locations where soil erosion may occur (Section A(6)). The SWPPP must include an assessment of potential pollutant sources at the Facility and a description of the BMPs to be implemented at the Facility that will reduce or prevent pollutants in storm water discharges and authorized non-storm water discharges, including structural BMPs where non-structural BMPs are not effective (Section A(7), (8)). The SWPPP must be evaluated to ensure effectiveness and must be revised where necessary (Section A(9),(10)).

- 20. Section C(11)(d) of the General Permit's Standard Provisions requires dischargers to report any noncompliance to the Regional Board. *See also* Section E(6). Lastly, Section A(9) of the General Permit requires an annual evaluation of storm water controls including the preparation of an evaluation report and implementation of any additional measures in the SWPPP to respond to the monitoring results and other inspection activities.
- 21. The General Permit requires dischargers commencing industrial activities before October 1, 1992 to develop and implement an adequate written monitoring and reporting program no later than October 1, 1992. Existing facilities covered under the General Permit had to implement all necessary revisions to their monitoring programs no later than August 1, 1997.
- 22. As part of their monitoring program, dischargers must identify all storm water discharge locations that produce a significant storm water discharge, evaluate the effectiveness of BMPs in reducing pollutant loading, and evaluate whether pollution control measures set out in the SWPPP are adequate and properly implemented. Dischargers must conduct visual observations of these discharge locations for at least one storm per month during the wet season (October through May) and record their findings in their Annual Report. Dischargers must also collect and analyze storm water samples from at least two storms per year. Section B(5)(a) of the General Permit requires that dischargers "shall collect storm water samples during the first hour of discharge from (1) the first storm event

of the wet season, and (2) at least one other storm event in the wet season. All storm water discharge locations shall be sampled." Section B(5)(c)(i)-(iii) requires dischargers to sample and analyze during the wet season for basic parameters, such as pH, total suspended solids ("TSS"), electrical conductance, and total organic content ("TOC") or oil and grease ("O&G"), certain industry-specific parameters, and toxic chemicals and other pollutants likely to be in the storm water discharged from the facility. Dischargers must also conduct dry season visual observations to identify sources of non-storm water pollution.

- 23. Section B(14) of the General Permit requires dischargers to submit an annual report by July 1 of each year to the executive officer of the relevant Regional Board. The annual report must be signed and certified by an appropriate corporate officer. Sections B(14), C(9), (10). Section A(9)(d) of the General Permit requires the discharger to include in their annual report an evaluation of their storm water controls, including certifying compliance with the General Permit. See also Sections C(9) and (10) and B(14).
- 24. Section 505(a)(1) and Section 505(f) of the Act provide for citizen enforcement actions against any "person," including individuals, corporations, or partnerships, for violations of NPDES permit requirements. 33 U.S.C. §§1365(a)(1) and (f), § 1362(5). An action for injunctive relief under the Act is authorized by 33 U.S.C. § 1365(a). Violators of the Act are also subject to an assessment of civil penalties of up to \$27,500 per day (violations from January 30, 1997 through March 15, 2004) and \$32,500 per day (violations after March 15, 2004) pursuant to Sections 309(d) and 505 of the Act, 33 U.S.C. §§ 1319(d), 1365 and 40 C.F.R. §§ 19.1 19.4.
- 25. The Regional Board has established water quality standards for the San Francisco Bay in the Water Quality Control Plan for the San Francisco Bay Basin, generally referred to as the Basin Plan.
- 26. The Basin Plan includes a narrative toxicity standard which states that "[a]ll waters shall be maintained free of toxic substances in concentrations that are lethal to or that produce other detrimental responses in aquatic organisms."
- 27. The Basin Plan provides that "[w]aters shall not contain suspended material in COMPLAINT

concentrations that cause nuisance or adversely affect beneficial uses" and that "[w]aters shall not contain biostimulatory substances in concentrations that promote aquatic growths to the extent that such growths cause nuisance or adversely affect beneficial uses."

- 28. The Basin Plan limits floating material, stating that "[w]aters shall not contain floating material, including solids, liquids, foams, and scum, in concentrations that cause nuisance or adversely affect beneficial uses."
- 29. The Basin provide provides that "[t]he suspended sediment load and suspended sediment discharge rate of surface waters shall not be altered in such a manner as to cause nuisance or adversely affect beneficial uses."
- 30. The Basin Plan dictates that "[w]aters shall be free of changes in turbidity that cause nuisance or adversely affect beneficial uses."
- 31. The Basin Plan provides that "[w]aters shall not contain oils, greases, waxes, or other materials in concentrations that result in a visible film or coating on the surface of the water or on objects in the water, that cause nuisance, or that otherwise adversely affect beneficial uses."
- 32. The Basin Plan provides that "[t]he pH shall not be depressed below 6.5 nor raised above 8.5."
- 33. The Basin Plan establishes a dissolved oxygen standard of 5.0 mg/L for tidal waters of San Francisco Bay downstream from the Carquinez Bridge.
- 34. The Basin Plan establishes Marine Water Quality Objectives for the following pollutants: zinc 0.081 mg/L (4-day average), 0.090 mg/L (1-hour average); lead 0.0081 mg/L (4-day average), 0.22 mg/L (1-hour average); and copper 0.0031 mg/L (4-day average), 0.0048 mg/L (1-hour average).

V. STATEMENT OF FACTS

35. Defendant Waste Management operates, the Davis Street Transfer Station, a transfer station for commercial and municipal solid waste at 2615 Davis Street in San Leandro, California. The Facility is engaged in the transfer of solid waste for disposal as well as recycling operations. The Facility falls within the Standard Industrial Classification

("SIC") Code 5093. The Facility covers about 53 acres, the majority of which is paved and used for transporting and storing waste materials throughout the Facility. On information and belief, Plaintiff alleges that there are at least seven buildings located on the property. On information and belief, Plaintiff alleges that materials transfer is conducted both inside and outside of these buildings.

- 36. Defendant channels and collects storm water falling on the Facility though five storm water outfalls. Each storm drain collects storm water runoff from a particular area of the Facility. These outfalls discharge the storm water directly to the San Francisco Bay, or to a municipal storm drain that flows to the San Francisco Bay.
- 37. The industrial activities at the site include the transfer of solid waste from collection vehicles to transport vehicles which move the waste to a remote landfill for disposal, as well as recycling operations for materials such as paper, plastic, glass, wood/yard waste, scrap metal, tires, construction debris, etc. It also includes the storage and maintenance of trucks, tractors, and other machinery used to transfer and dispose of these materials.
- 38. Significant activities at the site take place outside and are exposed to rainfall. These activities include transfer, storage, and disposal of the numerous types of materials handled by the Facility; the storage and use of vehicles and equipment for materials handling; and the storage, handling, and disposal of waste materials. Loading and delivery of materials occurs outside. Trucks enter and exit the Facility directly from and to a public road. Trucks, tractors, and other machinery are the primary means of moving materials around the Facility. The Facility's exposed areas contain large piles of a variety of materials. Plaintiff alleges on information and belief that many of the exposed surfaces at the Facility are unpaved and sediment and other materials are disturbed as a result of the storage and disposal processes. These areas are exposed to storm water and storm flows due to the lack of overhead coverage, berms, and other storm water controls.
- 39. Industrial machinery, heavy equipment and vehicles, including trucks and tractors are operated and stored at the Facility in areas exposed to storm water flows.

leak contaminants such as oil, grease, diesel fuel, anti-freeze and hydraulic fluids that are exposed to storm water flows, and that such machinery and equipment track sediment and other contaminants throughout the Facility.

Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereupon alleges, that such machinery and equipment

- 40. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereupon alleges that the storm water flows easily over the surface of the Facility, collecting suspended sediment, dirt, oils, grease, and other pollutants as it flows toward the storm water drains. Storm water and any pollutants contained in that storm water entering the drains flow directly to the San Francisco Bay.
- 41. The management practices at the Facility are wholly inadequate to prevent the sources of contamination described above from causing the discharge of pollutants to waters of the United States. The Facility lacks sufficient structural controls such as grading, berming, roofing, containment, or drainage structures to prevent rainfall and storm water flows from coming into contact with these and other exposed sources of contaminants. The Facility lacks sufficient structural controls to prevent the discharge of water once contaminated. The Facility lacks adequate storm water pollution treatment technologies to treat storm water once contaminated.
- 42. Since at least February 2, 2004, Defendant has taken samples or arranged for samples to be taken of storm water discharges at the Facility. The sample results were reported in the Facility's annual reports submitted to the Regional Board. Defendant Waste Management certified each of those annual reports pursuant to Sections A and C of the General Permit.
- 43. Since at least February 2, 2004, the Facility has detected total suspended solids, chemical oxygen demand, oil & grease, aluminum, copper, iron, zinc, lead, and electrical conductance in storm water discharged from the Facility. Levels of these pollutants detected in the Facility's storm water have been in excess of EPA's numeric parameter benchmark values. Levels of these pollutants detected in the Facility's storm water have been in excess of water quality standards established in the Basin Plan.

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- 44. The levels of total suspended solids in storm water detected by the Facility have exceeded the benchmark value for total suspended solids of 100 mg/L established by EPA. For example, on May 19, 2006, the level of suspended solids measured by Defendant in the Facility's discharged storm water was 1,800 mg/L. That level of total suspended solids is 18 times the benchmark value for suspended solids established by EPA.
- 45. The levels of chemical oxygen demand in storm water detected by the Facility have exceeded the benchmark value for chemical oxygen demand of 120 mg/L established by EPA. For example, on May 19, 2006, the level of chemical oxygen demand measured by Defendant in the Facility's discharged storm water was 630 mg/L. That level of chemical oxygen demand is over five times the benchmark value for chemical oxygen demand established by EPA.
- 46. The levels of oil & grease in storm water detected by the Facility have exceeded the benchmark value for oil & grease of 15 mg/L established by EPA. For example, on November 4, 2005, the level of oil & grease measured by Defendant in the Facility's discharged storm water was 52 mg/L. That level of oil & grease is nearly three and a half times the benchmark value for oil & grease established by EPA.
- 47. The levels of aluminum in storm water detected by the Facility have exceeded the benchmark value for aluminum of 0.75 mg/L established by EPA. For example, on May 19, 2006, the level of aluminum measured by Defendant in the Facility's discharged storm water was 220 mg/L. That level of aluminum is over 293 times the benchmark value for aluminum established by EPA.
- 48. The levels of copper in storm water detected by the Facility have exceeded the benchmark value for copper of 0.0636 mg/L established by EPA. For example, on May 19, 2006, the level of copper measured by Defendant in the Facility's discharged storm water was 1.8 mg/L. That level of copper is over 28 times the benchmark value for copper established by EPA.
- 49. The levels of iron in storm water detected by the Facility have exceeded the benchmark value for iron of 1.0 mg/L established by EPA. For example, on May 19, 2006,

the level of iron measured by Defendant in the Facility's discharged storm water was 310 mg/L. That level of iron is 310 times the benchmark value for iron established by EPA.

- 50. The levels of zinc in storm water detected by the Facility have exceeded the benchmark value for zinc of 0.117 mg/L established by EPA. For example, on May 19, 2006, the level of zinc measured by Defendant in the Facility's discharged storm water was 11 mg/L. That level of zinc is over 94 times the benchmark value for zinc established by EPA.
- 51. The levels of lead in storm water detected by the Facility have exceeded the benchmark value for lead of 0.0816 mg/L established by EPA. For example, on May 19, 2006, the level of lead measured by Defendant in the Facility's discharged storm water was 3.4 mg/L. That level of lead is nearly 42 times the benchmark value for lead established by EPA.
- 52. The electrical conductance levels detected by the Facility in its storm water have been greater than the numeric water quality standards applicable to electrical conductance in California. The electrical conductance levels detected by the Facility in its storm water have been greater than the benchmark value of 200 μ mho/cm proposed by the State Board. For example, on May 19, 2006, the electrical conductance level measured by Defendant in the Facility's discharged storm water was 1500 μ mho/cm. That electrical conductance level is over seven times the State Board's proposed benchmark value.
- 53. On information and belief, Plaintiff alleges that Defendants have failed to sample or monitor any storm water discharge locations during the 2004-2005 and 2006-2007 rainy seasons in violation of Sections B(4) and B(5) of the General Permit.
- 54. On information and belief, Plaintiff alleges that since at least February 2, 2004, Defendant has failed to implement BAT and BCT at the Facility for its discharges of total suspended solids, chemical oxygen demand, oil & grease, aluminum, copper, iron, zinc, lead, and electrical conductance. Section B(3) of the General Permit requires that Defendant implement BAT for toxic and nonconventional pollutants and BCT for conventional pollutants by no later than October 1, 1992. As of the date of this Complaint, Defendant has

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- 55. On information and belief, Plaintiff alleges that since at least October 1, 1992, 2 Defendant has failed to implement an adequate SWPPP for the Facility. Plaintiff is informed 3 and believes, and thereupon alleges, that the SWPPP prepared for the Facility does not set 4 forth site-specific best management practices for the Facility that are consistent with BAT or 5 BCT for the Facility. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereupon alleges, that the 6 7 SWPPP prepared for the Facility does not include an assessment of potential pollutant sources, structural pollutant control measures employed by the Defendant, a list of actual and 8 potential areas of pollutant contact, or a description of best management practices to be 9 10 implemented at the Facility to reduce pollutant discharges. According to information 11 available to CSPA, Defendant's SWPPP has not been evaluated to ensure effectiveness and revised where necessary to further reduce pollutant discharges. Plaintiff is informed and 12 13 believes, and thereupon alleges, that the SWPPP does not include each of the mandatory elements required by Section A of the General Permit. Plaintiff is informed and believes, 14 and thereupon alleges, that the SWPPP does not contain an accurate map that clearly 15 delineates the boundaries of the Facility. 16
 - 56. Information available to CSPA indicates that as a result of these practices, storm water containing excessive pollutants is being discharged during rain events from the Facility directly to the San Francisco Bay.
 - 57. The San Francisco Bay has been identified by the Regional Board, State Board and federal EPA as impaired for several pollutants, including mercury and unknown toxicity.
 - 58. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereupon alleges, that pollutants discharged by the Facility in its storm water are contributing to violations of water quality standards that apply to the San Francisco Bay and its tributaries. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereupon alleges, that Defendant is discharging total suspended solids, chemical oxygen demand, oil & grease, aluminum, copper, iron, zinc, lead, electrical conductance, and other un-monitored pollutants that are causing or contributing to exceedances of applicable water quality standards. Defendant is contributing to violations of

water quality standards including, but not limited to, the narrative water quality standard for toxicity and turbidity and the numeric water quality standard for electrical conductance.

- 59. Plaintiff is informed and believes that Defendant failed to submit to the Regional Board a true and complete annual report certifying compliance with the General Permit since at least February 2, 2004. Pursuant to Sections A(9)(d), B(14), and C(9), (10) of the General Permit, Defendant must submit an annual report, that is signed and certified by the appropriate corporate officer, outlining the Facility's storm water controls and certifying compliance with the General Permit. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereupon alleges, that Defendant has signed incomplete annual reports that purported to comply with the General Permit when there was significant noncompliance at the Facility.
- 60. Information available to Plaintiff indicates that Defendant has not fulfilled the requirements set forth in the General Permit for discharges from the Facility due to the continued discharge of polluted storm water. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereupon alleges, that all of the violations alleged in this Complaint are ongoing and continuing.

VI. CLAIMS FOR RELIEF

FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

Failure to Develop and Implement the Best Available and
Best Conventional Treatment Technologies
(Violations of Permit Conditions and the Act, 33 U.S.C. §§ 1311, 1342)

- 61. Plaintiff realleges and incorporate Paragraphs 1-60, as if fully set forth herein.
- 62. The General Permit's SWPPP requirements and Effluent Limitation B(3) require dischargers to reduce or prevent pollutants in their storm water discharges through implementation of BAT for toxic and nonconventional pollutants and BCT for conventional pollutants. Defendant has failed to implement BAT and BCT at the Facility for its discharges of suspended solids, chemical oxygen demand, oil & grease, aluminum, copper, iron, zinc, lead, electrical conductance and other un-monitored pollutants in violation of Effluent Limitation B(3) of the General Permit.
 - 63. Each day since October 1, 1992 that Defendant has failed to develop and

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implement BAT and BCT in violation of the General Permit is a separate and distinct violation of Section 301(a) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1311(a).

64. Defendant has been in violation of the BAT/BCT requirements every day since October 1, 1992. Defendant continues to be in violation of the BAT/BCT requirements each day that it fails to develop and fully implement BAT and BCT at the Facility.

SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION Failure to Prepare, Implement, Review, and Update an Adequate Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (Violations of Permit Conditions and the Act, 33 U.S.C. §§ 1311, 1342)

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65. Plaintiff realleges and incorporate Paragraphs 1-64, as if fully set forth herein.
66. Section A and Provision E of the General Permit requires dischargers of storm

water associated with industrial activity to have developed and be implementing an adequate

SWPPP no later than October 1, 1992.

- 67. Defendant has failed to develop and implement an adequate SWPPP for the Facility. Defendant's ongoing failure to develop and implement an adequate SWPPP for the Facility is evidenced by, *inter alia*, Defendant's outdoor storage of various materials, without appropriate best management practices; the continued exposure of significant quantities of various materials to storm water flows; the continued exposure and tracking of waste resulting from the operation or maintenance of vehicles at the site; the failure to either treat storm water prior to discharge or to implement effective containment practices; and the continued discharge of storm water pollutants from the Facility at levels in excess of EPA benchmark values.
- 68. Defendant has failed to update the Facility's SWPPP in response to the analytical results of the Facility's storm water monitoring.
- 69. Each day since October 1, 1992 that Defendant has failed to develop, implement and update an adequate SWPPP for the Facility is a separate and distinct violation of Section 301(a) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1311(a).
- 70. Defendant has been in violation of the SWPPP requirements every day since October 1, 1992. Defendant continues to be in violation of the SWPPP requirements each day

that it fails to develop and fully implement an adequate SWPPP for the Facility.

THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION

Failure to Develop and Implement an Adequate Monitoring and Reporting Program (Violation of Permit Conditions and the Act, 33 U.S.C. §§ 1311, 1342)

- 71. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates Paragraphs 1-70, inclusive, as if fully set forth herein.
- 72. Section B of the General Permit requires dischargers of storm water associated with industrial activity to have developed and be implementing a monitoring and reporting program (including, *inter alia*, sampling and analysis of discharges) no later than October 1, 1992.
- 73. Defendant has failed to develop and implement an adequate monitoring and reporting program for the Facility. Defendant's ongoing failure to develop and implement an adequate monitoring and reporting program are evidenced by, *inter alia*, their failure to monitor and sample storm water discharges during the 2004-2005 and 2006-2007 rainy seasons.
- 74. Each day since October 1, 1992 that Defendant has failed to develop and implement an adequate monitoring and reporting program for the Facility in violation of the General Permit is a separate and distinct violation of Section 301(a) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1311(a). The absence of requisite monitoring and analytical results are ongoing and continuous violations of the Act.

FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION

Discharges of Contaminated Storm Water in Violation of Permit Conditions and the Act (Violations of 33 U.S.C. §§ 1311(a), 1342)

- 75. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates Paragraphs 1-74, inclusive, as if fully set forth herein.
- 76. Discharge Prohibition A(2) of the General Permit requires that storm water discharges and authorized non-storm water discharges shall not cause or threaten to cause pollution, contamination, or nuisance. Receiving Water Limitations C(1) and C(2) of the General Permit require that storm water discharges and authorized non-storm water discharges

shall not adversely impact human health or the environment, and shall not cause or contribute to a violation of any water quality standards contained in a Statewide Water Quality Control Plan or the applicable Regional Board's Basin Plan.

- 77. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereupon alleges, that since at least May 23, 2003, Defendant has been discharging polluted storm water from the Facility directly to the San Francisco Bay, in violation of the Discharge Prohibition A(2) of the General Permit.
- 78. During every rain event, rainwater flows freely over exposed materials, waste products, and other accumulated pollutants at the Facility, becoming contaminated with these pollutants. The rainwater then flows untreated from the Facility into channels or storm drains. This contaminated storm water flows into the San Francisco Bay.
- 79. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereupon alleges, that these discharges of contaminated storm water are causing pollution and contamination of the waters of the United States in violation of Discharge Prohibition A(2) of the General Permit.
- 80. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereupon alleges, that these discharges of contaminated storm water are adversely affecting human health and the environment in violation of Receiving Water Limitation C(1) of the General Permit.
- 81. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereupon alleges, that these discharges of contaminated storm water are contributing to the violation of the applicable water quality standards in a Statewide Water Quality Control Plan and/or the applicable Regional Board's Basin Plan in violation of Receiving Water Limitation C(2) of the General Permit.
- 82. Every day since at least May 23, 2003, that Defendant has discharged and continues to discharge polluted storm water from the Facility in violation of the General Permit is a separate and distinct violation of Section 301(a) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1311(a). These violations are ongoing and continuous.

FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION

False Certification of Compliance In Annual Report (Violations of Permit Conditions and the Act, 33 U.S.C. §§ 1311, 1342)

- 83. Plaintiff realleges and incorporate Paragraphs 1-82, as if fully set forth herein.
- 84. Defendant has falsely certified compliance with the General Permit in each of

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the annual reports submitted to the Regional Board since at least June 2004.

85. Each day since at least June 29, 2004 that Defendant has falsely certified compliance with the General Permit is a separate and distinct violation of the General Permit and Section 301(a) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1311(a). Defendant continues to be in violation of the General Permit's certification requirement each day that it maintains its false certification of its compliance with the General Permit.

VII. RELIEF REQUESTED

Wherefore, Plaintiff respectfully requests that this Court grant the following relief:

- a. Declare Defendant to have violated and to be in violation of the Act as alleged herein;
- b. Enjoin Defendant from discharging polluted storm water from the Facility unless authorized by the Permit;
- c. Enjoin Defendant from further violating the substantive and procedural requirements of the Permit;
- d. Order Defendant to immediately implement storm water pollution control and treatment technologies and measures that are equivalent to BAT or BCT and prevent pollutants in the Facility's storm water from contributing to violations of any water quality standards;
- e. Order Defendant to comply with the Permit's monitoring and reporting requirements, including ordering supplemental monitoring to compensate for past monitoring violations;
- f. Order Defendant to prepare a SWPPP consistent with the Permit's requirements and implement procedures to regularly review and update the SWPPP;
- g. Order Defendant to provide Plaintiff with reports documenting the quality and quantity of their discharges to waters of the United States and their efforts to comply with the Act and the Court's orders;
- h. Order Defendant to pay civil penalties of \$27,500 per day per violation for all violations occurring before March 15, 2004, and \$32,500 per day per violation for all

violations occurring after August 28, 2002, for each violation of the Act pursuant to Sections 309(d) and 505(a) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. §§ 1319(d), 1365(a) and 40 C.F.R. §§ 19.1 - 19.4;

- i. Order Defendant to take appropriate actions to restore the quality of waters impaired or adversely affected by their activities;
- j. Award Plaintiff's costs (including reasonable investigative, attorney, witness, compliance oversight, and consultant fees) as authorized by the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1365(d); and,
 - k. Award any such other and further relief as this Court may deem appropriate.

Dated: July 21, 2008

Respectfully submitted,

LOZEAU DRURY LLP

By:

Douglas U. Chermak Attorney for Plaintiff

CALIFORNIA SPORTFISHING PROTECTION

ALLIANCE

EXHIBIT A

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VIA CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

April 16, 2008

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Re: Notice of Violations and Intent to File Suit Under the Federal Water Pollution Control Act

Dear Mr. Isola and Mr. Clark:

I am writing on behalf of the California Sportfishing Protection Alliance ("CSPA") in regard to violations of the Clean Water Act ("Act") that CSPA believes are occurring at the Davis Street Station for Material Recycling and Transfer ("Facility") located at 2615 Davis Street in San Leandro, California. CSPA is a non-profit public benefit corporation dedicated to the preservation, protection, and defense of the environment, wildlife, and natural resources of the San Francisco Bay and other California waters. This letter is being sent to you as the responsible owners, officers, or operators of the Facility (all recipients are hereinafter collectively referred to as "Davis Street Station").

This letter addresses Davis Street Station's unlawful discharge of pollutants from the Facility into San Francisco Bay. The Facility is discharging storm water pursuant to National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ("NPDES") Permit No. CA S000001, California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region ("Regional Board") Order No. 92-12-DWQ as amended by Order No. 97-03-DWQ (hereinafter "General Permit"). The WDID identification number for the Facility listed on documents submitted to the Regional Board is 2011002422. The Facility is engaged in ongoing violations of the substantive and

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procedural requirements of the General Permit.

Section 505(b) of the Clean Water Act requires a citizen to give notice of intent to file suit sixty (60) days prior to the initiation of a civil action under Section 505(a) of the Act (33 U.S.C. § 1365(a)). Notice must be given to the alleged violator, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and the State in which the violations occur.

As required by the Clean Water Act, this Notice of Violation and Intent to File Suit provides notice of the violations that have occurred, and continue to occur, at the Facility. Consequently, Davis Street Station is hereby placed on formal notice by CSPA that, after the expiration of sixty days from the date of this Notice of Violation and Intent to Sue, CSPA intends to file suit in federal court against Waste Management of Alameda County, Inc., Waste Management of California, Inc., Jack Isola, and Stuart Clark under Section 505(a) of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. § 1365(a)), for violations of the Clean Water Act and the Order. These violations are described more extensively below.

I. Background.

On November 4, 1997, Davis Street Station filed its Notice of Intent to Comply with the Terms of the General Permit to Discharge Storm Water Associated with Industrial Activity ("NOI"). Davis Street Station certifies that the Facility is classified under SIC code 5093 ("processing of scrap material") and under SIC code 4212 ("local trucking without storage"). The Facility collects and discharges storm water from its 53-acre industrial site through at least five outfalls that discharge into the San Francisco Bay. The Regional Board has identified waters of San Francisco Bay as failing to meet applicable water quality standards for PCBs, selenium, exotic species, dioxins, pesticides, and mercury. See http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/tmdl/docs/303dlists2006/final/r2 final303dlist.pdf.

The Regional Board has identified beneficial uses of the Bay region's waters and established water quality standards for the San Francisco Bay in the "Water Quality Control Plan for the San Francisco Bay Basin," generally referred to as the Basin Plan. *See* http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sanfranciscobay/water_issues/programs/basin_plan/docs/basin_p lan07.pdf. The beneficial uses of these waters include among others contact and non-contact recreation, fish migration, endangered and threatened species habitat, shellfish harvesting, and fish spawning. The non-contact recreation use is defined as "[u]ses of water for recreational activities involving proximity to water, but not normally involving contact with water where water ingestion is reasonably possible. These uses include, but are not limited to, picnicking, sunbathing, hiking, beachcombing, camping, boating, tide pool and marine life study, hunting, sightseeing, or aesthetic enjoyment in conjunction with the above activities. Water quality considerations relevant to non-contact water recreation, such as hiking, camping, or boating, and those activities related to tide pool or other nature studies require protection of habitats and aesthetic features." *Id.* at 2.1.16. Visible pollution, including visible sheens and cloudy or

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muddy water from industrial areas, impairs people's use of the Bay for contact and non-contact water recreation.

The Basin Plan includes a narrative toxicity standard which states that "[a]ll waters shall be maintained free of toxic substances in concentrations that are lethal or that produce other detrimental responses in aquatic organisms." *Id.* at 3.3.18. The Basin Plan includes a narrative oil and grease standard which states that "[w]aters shall not contain oils, greases, waxes, or other materials in concentrations that result in a visible film or coating on the surface of the water or on objects in the water, that cause nuisance, or otherwise adversely affect beneficial uses." *Id.* at 3.3.7. The Basin Plan provides that "[w]aters shall not contain suspended material in concentrations that cause nuisance or adversely affect beneficial uses." *Id.* at 3.3.14. The Basin Plan establishes Marine Water Quality Objectives for zinc of 0.081 mg/L (4-day average) and 0.090 mg/L (1-hour average); copper of 0.0031 mg/L (4-day average) and 0.0048 mg/L (1-hour average); and lead of 0.0081 mg/L (4 day average) and 0.21 mg/L (1hour average). *Id.* at Table 3-3. EPA has adopted numeric water quality standards for copper of .0031 mg/L (4-day average) and .0081 mg/L (1-hour average), for lead of .210 mg/L (4-day average) and .0081 mg/L (1-hour average), and for zinc of .090 mg/L (4-day average) and .081 mg/L (1-hour average). 65 Fed.Reg. 31712 (May 18, 2000).

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") has published benchmark levels as guidelines for determining whether a facility discharging industrial storm water has implemented the requisite best available technology economically achievable ("BAT") and best conventional pollutant control technology ("BCT"). The following benchmarks have been established for pollutants discharged by Davis Street Station: pH – 6.0-9.0 units; total suspended solids ("TSS") – 100 mg/L, oil and grease ("O&G") – 15 mg/L, chemical oxygen demand ("COD") – 120 mg/L, aluminum – .75 mg/L, zinc – 0.117 mg/L, iron – 1 mg/L, copper – .0636 mg/L, lead – .0816 mg/L. The State Water Quality Control Board also has proposed adding a benchmark level to the General Permit for specific conductance (200 μ mho/cm).

II. Alleged Violations of the NPDES Permit.

A. Discharges in Violation of the Permit.

Davis Street Station has violated and continues to violate the terms and conditions of the General Industrial Storm Water Permit. Section 402(p) of the Act prohibits the discharge of storm water associated with industrial activities, except as permitted under an NPDES permit (33 U.S.C. § 1342) such as the General Permit. The General Permit prohibits any discharges of storm water associated with industrial activities or authorized non-storm water discharges that have not been subjected to BAT or BCT. Effluent Limitation B(3) of the General Permit requires dischargers to reduce or prevent pollutants in their storm water discharges through implementation of BAT for toxic and nonconventional pollutants and BCT for conventional pollutants. BAT and BCT include both nonstructural and structural measures. General Permit, Section A(8). Conventional pollutants are TSS, O&G, pH, biochemical oxygen demand

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("BOD"), and fecal coliform. 40 C.F.R. § 401.16. All other pollutants are either toxic or nonconventional. *Id.*; 40 C.F.R. § 401.15.

In addition, Discharge Prohibition A(1) of the General Permit prohibits the discharge of materials other than storm water (defined as non-storm water discharges) that discharge either directly or indirectly to waters of the United States. Discharge Prohibition A(2) of the General Permit prohibits storm water discharges and authorized non-storm water discharges that cause or threaten to cause pollution, contamination, or nuisance.

Receiving Water Limitation C(1) of the General Industrial Storm Water Permit prohibits storm water discharges and authorized non-storm water discharges to surface or groundwater that adversely impact human health or the environment. Receiving Water Limitation C(2) of the General Permit also prohibits storm water discharges and authorized non-storm water discharges that cause or contribute to an exceedance of any applicable water quality standards contained in a Statewide Water Quality Control Plan or the applicable Regional Board's Basin Plan.

Davis Street Station has discharged and continues to discharge storm water with unacceptable levels of total suspended solids, specific conductivity, oil & grease, chemical oxygen demand, aluminum, copper, iron, lead, zinc and other pollutants in violation of the General Permit. Davis Street Station's sampling and analysis results reported to the Regional Board confirm discharges of specific pollutants and materials other than storm water in violation of the Permit provisions listed above. Self-monitoring reports under the Permit are deemed "conclusive evidence of an exceedance of a permit limitation." *Sierra Club v. Union Oil*, 813 F.2d 1480, 1493 (9th Cir. 1988).

The following discharges of pollutants from the Facility have violated Discharge Prohibitions A(1) and A(2) and Receiving Water Limitations C(1) and C(2) and are evidence of ongoing violations of Effluent Limitation B(3) of the General Industrial Storm Water Permit.

Date Parameter		Parameter Observed Concentration		Location (as identified by the Facility)	
5/19/2006	Total Suspended Solids	150 mg/L	100 mg/L	Northwest Outfall	
5/19/2006	Specific Conductivity	1,200 µmho/cm	200 µmho/cm (proposed)	Northwest Outfall	
5/19/2006	Chemical Oxygen Demand	630 mg/L	120 mg/L	Northwest Outfall	
5/19/2006	Aluminum	4.5 mg/L	0.75 mg/L	Northwest Outfall	
5/19/2006	Copper	0.07 mg/L	0.0636 mg/L	Northwest Outfall	
5/19/2006	Iron	6.9 mg/L	1.0 mg/L	Northwest Outfall	
5/19/2006	Zinc	0.44 mg/L	0.117 mg/L	Northwest Outfall	

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5/19/2006	Total Suspended Solids	670 mg/L	100 mg/L	Facility Entrance
5/19/2006	Specific Conductivity	1,200 µmho/cm	200 µmho/cm (proposed)	Facility Entrance
5/19/2006	Chemical Oxygen Demand	210 mg/L	120 mg/L	Facility Entrance
5/19/2006	Aluminum	11 mg/L	0.75 mg/L	Facility Entrance
5/19/2006	Copper	0.11 mg/L	0.0636 mg/L	Facility Entrance
5/19/2006	Iron	15 mg/L	1.0 mg/L	Facility Entrance
5/19/2006	Lead	0.18 mg/L	0.0816 mg/L	Facility Entrance
5/19/2006	Zinc	0.71 mg/L	0.117 mg/L	Facility Entrance
5/19/2006	Total Suspended Solids	1,800 mg/L	100 mg/L	Northeast Outfall
5/19/2006	Specific Conductivity	1,500	200 μmho/cm	Northeast Outfall
5/19/2006	Chamical Organ	μmho/cm	(proposed)	Northeast Outfall
3/19/2006	Chemical Oxygen Demand	310 mg/L	120 mg/L	Northeast Outrail
5/19/2006	Aluminum	220 mg/L	0.75 mg/L	Northeast Outfall
5/19/2006	Copper	1.8 mg/L	0.0636 mg/L	Northeast Outfall
5/19/2006	Iron	310 mg/L	1.0 mg/L	Northeast Outfall
5/19/2006	Lead	3.4 mg/L	0.0816 mg/L	Northeast Outfall
5/19/2006	Zinc	11 mg/L	0.117 mg/L	Northeast Outfall
5/19/2006	Total Suspended Solids	1,500 mg/L	100 mg/L	Southeast Outfall
5/19/2006	Specific Conductivity	1,400 µmho/cm	200 µmho/cm (proposed)	Southeast Outfall
5/19/2006	Chemical Oxygen Demand	210 mg/L	120 mg/L	Southeast Outfall
5/19/2006	Aluminum	26 mg/L	0.75 mg/L	Southeast Outfall
5/19/2006	Copper	0.1 mg/L	0.0636 mg/L	Southeast Outfall
5/19/2006	Iron	37 mg/L	1.0 mg/L	Southeast Outfall
5/19/2006	Lead	0.18 mg/L	0.0816 mg/L	Southeast Outfall
5/19/2006	Zinc	0.58 mg/L	0.117 mg/L	Southeast Outfall
11/4/2005	Total Suspended Solids	500 mg/L	100 mg/L	Facility Entrance
11/4/2005	Specific Conductivity	990 µmho/cm	200 μmho/cm (proposed)	Facility Entrance
11/4/2005	Oil & Grease	52 mg/L	15 mg/L	Facility Entrance
11/4/2005	Chemical Oxygen Demand	280 mg/L	120 mg/L	Facility Entrance
11/4/2005	Aluminum	26 mg/L	0.75 mg/L	Facility Entrance

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11/4/2005	Copper	0.17 mg/L	0.0636 mg/L	Facility Entrance
11/4/2005	Iron	39 mg/L	1.0 mg/L	Facility Entrance
11/4/2005	Lead	0.32 mg/L	0.0816 mg/L	Facility Entrance
11/4/2005	Zinc	1.3 mg/L	0.117 mg/L	Facility Entrance
11/4/2005	Total Suspended	200 mg/L	100 mg/L	Recycling Center
	Solids			
11/4/2005	Specific Conductivity	1,200	200 μmho/cm	Recycling Center
	'	μmho/cm	(proposed)	
11/4/2005	Oil & Grease	43 mg/L	15 mg/L	Recycling Center
11/4/2005	Chemical Oxygen	1,100 mg/L	120 mg/L	Recycling Center
	Demand	_		
11/4/2005	Aluminum	4.4 mg/L	0.75 mg/L	Recycling Center
11/4/2005	Copper	0.077 mg/L	0.0636 mg/L	Recycling Center
11/4/2005	Iron	6.9 mg/L	1.0 mg/L	Recycling Center
11/4/2005	Lead	0.086 mg/L	0.0816 mg/L	Recycling Center
11/4/2005	Zinc	0.67 mg/L	0.117 mg/L	Recycling Center
11/4/2005	Total Suspended	840 mg/L	100 mg/L	Northeast Outfall
	Solids			
11/4/2005	Specific Conductivity	2,700	200 μmho/cm	Northeast Outfall
***************************************		μmho/cm	(proposed)	
11/4/2005	Oil & Grease	78 mg/L	15 mg/L	Northeast Outfall
11/4/2005	Chemical Oxygen Demand	1,000 mg/L	120 mg/L	Northeast Outfall
11/4/2005	Aluminum	20 mg/L	0.75 mg/L	Northeast Outfall
11/4/2005	Copper	0.26 mg/L	0.0636 mg/L	Northeast Outfall
11/4/2005	Iron	29 mg/L	1.0 mg/L	Northeast Outfall
11/4/2005	Lead	0.36 mg/L	0.0816 mg/L	Northeast Outfall
11/4/2005	Zinc	1.5 mg/L	0.117 mg/L	Northeast Outfall
11/4/2005	pН	1.3 pH units	6.0 – 9.0 pH	Southeast Outfall
			units	
11/4/2005	Total Suspended Solids	520 mg/L	100 mg/L	Southeast Outfall
11/4/2005	Specific Conductivity	22,000	200 μmho/cm	Southeast Outfall
		μmho/cm	(proposed)	
11/4/2005	Oil & Grease	40 mg/L	15 mg/L	Southeast Outfall
11/4/2005	Chemical Oxygen	220 mg/L	120 mg/L	Southeast Outfall
	Demand			
11/4/2005	Aluminum	41 mg/L	0.75 mg/L	Southeast Outfall
11/4/2005	Copper	0.26 mg/L	0.0636 mg/L	Southeast Outfall
11/4/2005	Iron	58 mg/L	1.0 mg/L	Southeast Outfall
11/4/2005	Lead	0.72 mg/L	0.0816 mg/L	Southeast Outfall
11/4/2005	Zinc	2.3 mg/L	0.117 mg/L	Southeast Outfall

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3/25/2004	Total Suspended Solids	570 mg/L	100 mg/L	North Central Out Fall
3/25/2004	Specific Conductivity	1,200 µmho/cm	200 μmho/cm (proposed)	North Central Out Fall
3/25/2004	Chemical Oxygen Demand	630 mg/L	120 mg/L	North Central Out Fall
3/25/2004	Aluminum	12 mg/L	0.75 mg/L	North Central Out Fall
3/25/2004	Copper	0.14 mg/L	0.0636 mg/L	North Central Out Fall
3/25/2004	Iron	22 mg/L	1.0 mg/L	North Central Out Fall
3/25/2004	Lead	0.14 mg/L	0.0816 mg/L	North Central Out Fall
3/25/2004	Zinc	1.1 mg/L	0.117 mg/L	North Central Out Fall
3/25/2004	Total Suspended Solids	200 mg/L	100 mg/L	North East Out Fall
3/25/2004	Chemical Oxygen Demand	150 mg/L	120 mg/L	North East Out Fall
3/25/2004	Aluminum	6.8 mg/L	0.75 mg/L	North East Out Fall
3/25/2004	Copper	0.066 mg/L	0.0636 mg/L	Out Fall
3/25/2004	Iron	11 mg/L	1.0 mg/L	North East Out Fall
3/25/2004	Zinc	0.53 mg/L	0.117 mg/L	North East Out Fall
2/2/2004	Total Suspended Solids	1,900 mg/L	100 mg/L	North Central Out Fall
2/2/2004	Oil & Grease	26 mg/L	15 mg/L	North Central Out Fall
2/2/2004	Chemical Oxygen Demand	140 mg/L	120 mg/L	North Central Out Fall
2/2/2004	Aluminum	13 mg/L	0.75 mg/L	North Central Out Fall
2/2/2004	Copper	0.11 mg/L	0.0636 mg/L	North Central Out Fall
2/2/2004	Iron	25 mg/L	1.0 mg/L	North Central Out Fall
2/2/2004	Lead	0.16 mg/L	0.0816 mg/L	North Central Out Fall
2/2/2004	Zinc	0.71 mg/L	0.117 mg/L	North Central Out Fall

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2/2/2004	Total Suspended Solids	680 mg/L	100 mg/L	North East Out Fall
2/2/2004	Specific Conductivity	340 μmho/cm	200 µmho/cm (proposed)	North East Out Fall
2/2/2004	Aluminum	24 mg/L	0.75 mg/L	North East Out Fall
2/2/2004	Copper	0.16 mg/L	0.0636 mg/L	North East Out Fall
2/2/2004	Iron	40 mg/L	1.0 mg/L	North East Out Fall
2/2/2004	Lead	0.17 mg/L	0.0816 mg/L	North East Out Fall
2/2/2004	Zinc	0.95 mg/L	0.117 mg/L	North East Out Fall

CSPA's investigation, including its review of Davis Street Station's analytical results documenting pollutant levels in the Facility's storm water discharges well in excess of applicable water quality standards, EPA's benchmark values and the State Board's proposed benchmark for electrical conductivity, indicates that Davis Street Station has not implemented BAT and BCT at the Facility for its discharges of TSS, specific conductivity, O&G, COD, aluminum, copper, iron, lead, zinc and other pollutants, in violation of Effluent Limitation B(3) of the General Permit. Davis Street Station was required to have implemented BAT and BCT by no later than October 1, 1992. Thus, Davis Street Station is discharging polluted storm water associated with its industrial operations without having implemented BAT and BCT. In addition, the above numbers indicate that the facility is discharging polluted storm water in violation of Discharge Prohibitions A(1) and A(2) and Receiving Water Limitations C(1) and C(2) of the General Permit. CSPA alleges that such violations also have occurred and will occur on other rain dates, including every significant rain event that has occurred since April 16, 2003, and that will occur at the Facility subsequent to the date of this Notice of Violation and Intent to File Suit. Attachment A, attached hereto, sets forth each of the specific rain dates on which CSPA alleges that Davis Street Station has discharged storm water containing impermissible levels of TSS. specific conductivity, O&G, COD, aluminum, copper, iron, lead, zinc in violation of Effluent Limitation B(3), Discharge Prohibitions A(1) and A(2), and Receiving Water Limitations C(1) and C(2) of the General Permit.

These unlawful discharges from the Facility are ongoing. Each discharge of storm water containing any of these pollutants constitutes a separate violation of the General Industrial Storm Water Permit and the Act. Consistent with the five-year statute of limitations applicable to citizen enforcement actions brought pursuant to the federal Clean Water Act, Davis Street Station is subject to penalties for violations of the General Permit and the Act since April 16, 2003.

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B. Failure to Identify and Control Non-Storm Water Discharges

The General Permit requires that facility operators "investigate the facility to identify all non-storm water discharges and their sources. As part of this investigation, all drains (inlets and outlets) shall be evaluated to identify whether they connect to the storm drain system. All non-storm water discharges shall be described. This shall include the source, quantity, frequency, and characteristics of the non-storm water discharges and associated drainage area." Section A(6)(a)(v).

The General Permit authorizes certain non-storm water discharges providing that the non-storm water discharges are in compliance with Regional Board requirements; that the non-storm water discharges are in compliance with local agency ordinances and/or requirements; that BMPs are included in the SWPPP to (1) prevent or reduce the contact of non-storm water discharges with significant materials or equipment and (2) minimize, to the extent practicable, the flow or volume of non-storm water discharges; that the non-storm water discharges do not contain significant quantities of pollutants; and that the monitoring program includes quarterly visual observations of each non-storm water discharge and its sources to ensure that BMPs are being implemented and are effective (Special Conditions D). Section B(3) of the General Permit requires dischargers to conduct visual observations of all drainage areas for the presence of non-storm water discharges, to observe the non-storm water discharges, and maintain records of such observations.

CSPA, on information and belief, alleges that the Facility discharges unauthorized non-storm water at the Facility, including dust suppression water and wash water. On information and belief, CSPA further alleges that the Facility has failed to identify and control non-storm water discharges in violation of Sections A(6)(a)(v) and B(3) and D of the General Permit. Consistent with the five-year statute of limitations applicable to citizen enforcement actions brought pursuant to the federal Clean Water Act, Davis Street Station is subject to penalties for violations of the General Permit and the Act since April 16, 2003.

C. Failure to Prepare, Implement, Review and Update an Adequate Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan.

Section A and Provision E(2) of the General Industrial Storm Water Permit require dischargers of storm water associated with industrial activity to develop, implement, and update an adequate storm water pollution prevention plan ("SWPPP") no later than October 1, 1992. Section A(1) and Provision E(2) requires dischargers who submitted an NOI pursuant to the General Permit to continue following their existing SWPPP and implement any necessary revisions to their SWPPP in a timely manner, but in any case, no later than August 1, 1997.

The SWPPP must, among other requirements, identify and evaluate sources of pollutants associated with industrial activities that may affect the quality of storm and non-storm water discharges from the facility and identify and implement site-specific best management practices

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("BMPs") to reduce or prevent pollutants associated with industrial activities in storm water and authorized non-storm water discharges (General Permit, Section A(2)). The SWPPP must include BMPs that achieve BAT and BCT (Effluent Limitation B(3)). The SWPPP must include: a description of individuals and their responsibilities for developing and implementing the SWPPP (General Permit, Section A(3)); a site map showing the facility boundaries, storm water drainage areas with flow pattern and nearby water bodies, the location of the storm water collection, conveyance and discharge system, structural control measures, impervious areas, areas of actual and potential pollutant contact, and areas of industrial activity (General Permit, Section A(4)); a list of significant materials handled and stored at the site (General Permit, Section A(5)); a description of potential pollutant sources including industrial processes, material handling and storage areas, dust and particulate generating activities, a description of significant spills and leaks, a list of all non-storm water discharges and their sources, and a description of locations where soil erosion may occur (General Permit, Section A(6)).

The SWPPP also must include an assessment of potential pollutant sources at the Facility and a description of the BMPs to be implemented at the Facility that will reduce or prevent pollutants in storm water discharges and authorized non-storm water discharges, including structural BMPs where non-structural BMPs are not effective (General Permit, Section A(7), (8)). The SWPPP must be evaluated to ensure effectiveness and must be revised where necessary (General Permit, Section A(9),(10)).

CSPA's investigation of the conditions at the Facility as well as Davis Street Station's Annual Reports indicate that Davis Street Station has been operating with an inadequately developed or implemented SWPPP in violation of the requirements set forth above. Davis Street Station has failed to evaluate the effectiveness of its BMPs and to revise its SWPPP as necessary. Davis Street Station has been in continuous violation of Section A and Provision E(2) of the General Permit every day since April 16, 2003 at the very latest, and will continue to be in violation every day that Davis Street Station fails to prepare, implement, review, and update an effective SWPPP. Davis Street Station is subject to penalties for violations of the Order and the Act occurring since April 16, 2003.

D. Failure to Develop and Implement an Adequate Monitoring and Reporting Program

Section B of the General Permit describes the monitoring requirements for storm water and non-storm water discharges. Facilities are required to make monthly visual observations of storm water discharges (Section B(4)) and quarterly visual observations of both unauthorized and authorized non-storm water discharges (Section B(3)). Section B(5) requires facility operators to sample and analyze at least two storm water discharges from all storm water discharge locations during each wet season. Section B(7) requires that the visual observations and samples must represent the "quality and quantity of the facility's storm water discharges from the storm event."

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The above referenced data was obtained from the Facility's monitoring program as reported in its Annual Reports submitted to the Regional Board. This data is evidence that the Facility has violated various Discharge Prohibitions, Receiving Water Limitations, and Effluent Limitations in the General Permit. In addition, the Facility failed to sample or monitor any storm water discharge locations during the 2006-2007 and 2004-2005 rainy seasons based on a general claim that no qualifying events occurred at the Facility. To the extent the storm water data collected by Davis Transfer Station is not representative of the quality of the Facility's various storm water discharges or the Facility failed to monitor all qualifying storm water discharges, CSPA, on information and belief, alleges that the Facility's monitoring program violates Sections B(3), (4), (5) and (7) of the General Permit. Consistent with the five-year statute of limitations applicable to citizen enforcement actions brought pursuant to the federal Clean Water Act, Davis Street Station is subject to penalties for violations of the General Permit and the Act's monitoring and sampling requirements since April 16, 2003.

E. Failure to File True and Correct Annual Reports.

Section B(14) of the General Industrial Storm Water Permit requires dischargers to submit an Annual Report by July 1st of each year to the executive officer of the relevant Regional Board. The Annual Report must be signed and certified by an appropriate corporate officer. General Permit, Sections B(14), C(9), (10). Section A(9)(d) of the General Industrial Storm Water Permit requires the discharger to include in their annual report an evaluation of their storm water controls, including certifying compliance with the General Industrial Storm Water Permit. See also General Permit, Sections C(9) and (10) and B(14).

For the last five years, Davis Street Station and its agent, Jack Isola, inaccurately certified in their Annual Reports that the facility was in compliance with the General Permit. Consequently, Davis Street Station has violated Sections A(9)(d), B(14) and C(9) & (10) of the General Industrial Storm Water Permit every time Davis Street Station failed to submit a complete or correct report and every time Davis Street Station or its agents falsely purported to comply with the Act. Davis Street Station is subject to penalties for violations of Section (C) of the General Industrial Storm Water Permit and the Act occurring since April 16, 2003.

IV. Persons Responsible for the Violations.

CSPA puts Waste Management of Alameda County, Inc., Waste Management of California, Inc., Jack Isola, and Stuart Clark on notice that they are the persons responsible for the violations described above. If additional persons are subsequently identified as also being responsible for the violations set forth above, CSPA puts Waste Management of Alameda County, Inc., Waste Management of California, Inc., Jack Isola, and Stuart Clark on notice that it intends to include those persons in this action.

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V. Name and Address of Noticing Party.

Our name, address and telephone number is as follows:

Bill Jennings, Executive Director; California Sportfishing Protection Alliance, 3536 Rainier Avenue, Stockton, CA 95204 Tel. (209) 464-5067

VI. Counsel.

CSPA has retained legal counsel to represent it in this matter. Please direct all communications to:

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VII. Penalties.

Pursuant to Section 309(d) of the Act (33 U.S.C. § 1319(d)) and the Adjustment of Civil Monetary Penalties for Inflation (40 C.F.R. § 19.4) each separate violation of the Act subjects Davis Street Station to a penalty of up to \$32,500 per day per violation for all violations occurring during the period commencing five years prior to the date of this Notice of Violations and Intent to File Suit. In addition to civil penalties, CSPA will seek injunctive relief preventing further violations of the Act pursuant to Sections 505(a) and (d) (33 U.S.C. §1365(a) and (d)) and such other relief as permitted by law. Lastly, Section 505(d) of the Act (33 U.S.C. § 1365(d)), permits prevailing parties to recover costs and fees, including attorneys' fees.

CSPA believes this Notice of Violations and Intent to File Suit sufficiently states grounds for filing suit. We intend to file a citizen suit under Section 505(a) of the Act against Davis Street Station and its agents for the above-referenced violations upon the expiration of the 60-day notice period. However, during the 60-day notice period, we would be willing to discuss effective remedies for the violations noted in this letter. If you wish to pursue such discussions in the absence of litigation, we suggest that you initiate those discussions within the next 20 days

so that they may be completed before the end of the 60-day notice period. We do not intend to delay the filing of a complaint in federal court if discussions are continuing when that period ends.

Sincerely,

Bill Jennings, Executive Director

California Sportfishing Protection Alliance

cc: CT Corporation, Agent of Service of Process for Waste Management of Alameda County, Inc. (C0091817) and Waste Management of California, Inc. (C0266196)

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