

**CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
COLORADO RIVER BASIN REGION**

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR
DISCHARGE PERMIT**

The following discharger has filed an application for renewal of Waste Discharge Requirements (Proposed Order No. R7-2006-0060) for the following site:

**PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY
PG&E TOPOCK COMPRESSOR STATION
GROUNDWATER INJECTION
Southeast of Needles – San Bernardino County**

The Board's staff has prepared a proposed Board Order for the above discharger (PG&E (77 Beale Street, San Francisco, CA 94105)). Proposed Order R7-2006-0060 would replace Order R7-2004-0103 that is scheduled to expire January 31, 2007. The proposed Order would authorize PG&E to continue to discharge 135 gallons per minute of treated groundwater to two injection wells (IW-2 and IW-3). The Discharger currently operates a treatment facility to treat groundwater contaminated with Chromium VI and to maintain hydraulic control of the contaminated groundwater plume boundaries. Extracted groundwater is treated with chemical reduction, precipitation, and solids removal by gravity or clarifier. Reverse Osmosis (RO) is used as a polishing step for the treated water to reduce Total Dissolved Solids (TDS). Under this proposed Order, the treated water would be injected into groundwater and RO concentrate and other associated liquid wastes would be discharged to an appropriate disposal facility. The Regional Board will consider adopting the proposed Board Order during a Public Hearing that will commence at the time and place indicated below:

Date: September 20, 2006
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Location: City of La Quinta, City Council Chambers
78-495 Calle Tampico
La Quinta, CA 92253

The Regional Board will be receiving and reviewing written comments during the 30-day public comment period, which begins August 2, 2006, and ends August 31, 2006. Persons wishing to submit written comments on the Proposed Order are requested to do so as soon as possible, but not later than August 31, 2006. Interested persons are invited to attend and express their views on this matter at the Public Hearing.

The proposed Board Order and related documents may be inspected and copied at the Regional Board office. Contact Liann Chavez, Senior Engineering Geologist, (760) 776-8945, or Jose Cortez, Water Resources Control Engineer, at (760) 776-8963, for any questions regarding this matter. In addition, copies of these materials are available on the Regional Board's website at <http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/coloradoriver/>.

The procedures governing Regional Water Board meetings may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 647 et seq., and are available upon request. Hearings before the Regional Water Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500 et seq.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Hilda Vasquez at (760) 776-8950 at least five (5) working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 800-735-2929.

Please bring the foregoing to the attention of any persons known to you who would be interested in this matter.



JOSE L. ANGEL, Assistant Executive Officer

July 25, 2006