



Agenda Report

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SUBJECT:

DEFERRED PAYMENT AGREEMENT REQUEST FOR CHARGES AND FEES OWED BY NOR-CAL BEVERAGE CO., INC. INDUSTRIAL WASTEWATER DISCHARGE PERMITTEE

GENERAL MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION

RECOMMENDATION: Recommend to the Board of Directors to:

Approve a deferred payment agreement with Nor-Cal Beverage Co., Inc. for charges owed for user fees in the amount of \$496,231.50.

BACKGROUND

Nor-Cal Beverage Co., Inc. (Nor-Cal Beverage) is the holder of an industrial wastewater discharge permit issued by the Orange County Sanitation District (OC San) that requires payment of user fees for the cost of conveying, treating, and disposing of wastewater discharged. Based on the terms of the permit, the permittee is required to pay estimated quarterly sewer service charges that are reconciled annually with actual discharge flows and strength. The permittee has a current balance of \$496,231.50 in total for the 2020-21 Annual Reconciliation Invoice.

Nor-Cal Beverage currently holds two Industrial Wastewater Discharge Permits with OC-San. In fiscal year 2020-21, the discharge volume for one of those permits, 1-021283, increased significantly due to new customers acquired by Nor-Cal Beverage. This increase in discharge volume resulted in a large Annual Reconciliation Invoice amount. Nor-Cal Beverage has not previously been issued a deferred payment agreement and all other invoices have been paid in full and on time, including the 2021-22 First Quarter Invoices.

RELEVANT STANDARDS

- Resolution No. OC SAN 21-05

PROBLEM

Nor-Cal Beverage currently owes \$496,231.50 for their 2020-21 Annual Reconciliation Invoice and has requested a deferred payment plan.

PROPOSED SOLUTION

Resolution No. OC SAN 21-05 allows for a deferred payment agreement to allow a permittee to pay the amounts owed while continuing to conduct their business with a valid industrial wastewater discharge permit.

TIMING CONCERNS

N/A

RAMIFICATIONS OF NOT TAKING ACTION

If no action is taken, Nor-Cal Beverage will begin accruing late penalties and finance charges, increasing the balance due on the account.

PRIOR COMMITTEE/BOARD ACTIONS

N/A

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

N/A

ATTACHMENT

The following attachment(s) may be viewed on-line at the OC San website (www.ocsan.gov) with the complete agenda package:

- Deferred Payment Agreement - Nor-Cal Beverage Co., Inc.
- Resolution No. OC SAN 21-05