

# SAN JOSÉ / SANTA CLARA WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PLANT

September 25, 2017

TREATMENT PLANT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Honorable Mayor and City Council  
City of San José  
200 East Santa Clara Street  
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Mayor Liccardo and City Council:

At its meeting of September 14, 2017, the Treatment Plant Advisory Committee (TPAC) reviewed this item concerning the Water Pollution Control Plant on the San José City Council agenda for September 26, 2017:

2.9 A. Purchase of California Carbon Allowances

Staff Recommendation: Approve the Agreement between the City of San José and Vitol, Inc., which is approved by the California Air Resources Board for the purchase of California Carbon Allowances for the San José – Santa Clara Regional Wastewater Facility, as part of the California Cap-and-Trade Program, for an amount of \$303,437.60.

Assistant Director Ashwini Kantak responded to questions from Committee Member Watanabe and Chair Liccardo about the duration of the City of San José's participation in the Cap-and-Trade Program and reason for phase out.

Ms. Kantak clarified that the RWF had to entered into the Cap-and-Trade Program in 2013, and must stay in the program for a certain number of years. 2018 will be the last year in the program if we continue to stay under the emissions threshold. We will bring forward an overall energy strategy once the new Cogeneration Facility is online.

**On a motion by Committee Member Gatto and a second by Committee Member Grilli, TPAC approved to accept the staff recommendation.**

**Ayes – 9** (Davis, Diep, Gatto, Grilli, Kolstad, Leonardis, Liccardo, Sykes, Watanabe)

**Nays – 0**

**Absent – 0**

Sincerely,

  
Sam Liccardo, Chair  
TREATMENT PLANT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

