



# San Francisco Water Pollution Sewer

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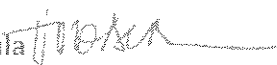
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## Inter-Office Memorandum

**DATE:** November 18, 2013

**TO:** The Honorable Vince Courtney  
President, San Francisco Public Utilities Commission

**THROUGH:** Harlan L. Kelly, Jr.   
General Manager

**FROM:** Tommy T. Moala   
Assistant General Manager

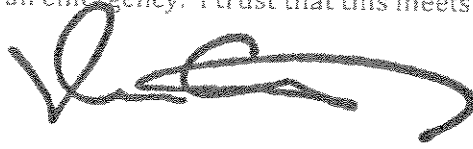
**SUBJECT:** Declaration of Emergency: Repairs to Fixed Gas Monitoring System at Southeast Water Pollution Control Plant

On November 18, 2013, the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) Wastewater Enterprise (WWE) maintenance division requested an emergency to replace the hazardous gas monitoring system at the Southeast Water Pollution Control Plant (SEP). During an inspection, the SEP maintenance staff observed a catastrophic failure of the atmospheric monitoring system at the Southeast Plant Influent Lift Station and Headworks. The system needs to be repaired expeditiously in order to maintain compliance with regulatory requirements. Furthermore, the hazardous conditions pose a threat to the treatment infrastructure, as well as the life and safety of the treatment plant personnel. At this time, the SFPUC/WWE Health and Safety section has required manual monitoring protocol, until the fixed gas monitoring system is refurbished.

It is in the best interest of the City to declare an emergency for this work to repair the fixed gas monitoring system in order to mitigate the potential risks to the health and safety of facility personnel, ensure permit compliance and protect the surrounding Southeast Community.

This request for an emergency declaration is for resources and materials to perform the work beyond the capabilities of the City forces as soon as possible for an estimated cost not-to-exceed \$225,000.

I am therefore declaring the existence of an emergency. I trust that this meets with your concurrence and approval.



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