## United States Environmental Protection Agency Region 10 1200 Sixth Avenue Seattle, Washington 98101

# Authorization to Discharge under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System

In compliance with the provisions of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. §1251 et seq., as amended by the Water Quality Act of 1987, P.L. 100-4, the "Act", the

## **United States Department of Defense, Department of the Navy**

is authorized to discharge from the **Naval Radio Station** (**Transmitter** (**T**)) **Jim Creek** facility located at 21027 Jim Creek Road, Arlington, WA 98223, at the following location:

Outfall	<b>Receiving Water</b>	Latitude	Longitude
67	Jim Creek	48° 12' 00" N	121° 54' 53" W

in accordance with discharge point(s), effluent limitations, monitoring requirements and other conditions set forth herein.

This permit shall become effective June 1, 2015

This permit and the authorization to discharge shall expire at midnight, May 31, 2020

The permittee shall reapply for a permit reissuance on or before November 3, 2019, 180 days before the expiration of this permit if the permittee intends to continue operations and discharges at the facility beyond the term of this permit.

Signed this 9<sup>th</sup> day of April 2015.

## **Schedule of Submissions**

The following is a summary of some of the items the permittee must complete and/or submit to the EPA during the term of this permit:.

Item		<b>Due Date</b>		
1.	Discharge Monitoring Reports (DMR)	DMRs are due <u>monthly</u> and shall be postmarked on or before the 20 <sup>th</sup> day of the following month. If data is not available due to inaccessibility of the site then this shall be noted on the DMR.		
2.	Quality Assurance Plan (QAP)	The permittee shall provide EPA with written notification that the Plan has been developed and implemented within 180 days after the effective date of the final permit (see II.A.). The Plan shall be kept on site and made available to EPA upon request.		
3.	Temperature Annual Report	The permittee shall submit an Excel text or electronic ASCII text file of temperature monitoring annually to the EPA by January 31. (see I.B.2.).		
4.	NPDES Application Renewal	The application shall be submitted at least 180 days before the expiration date of the permit (see V.B.).		
5.	Compliance Schedule.	Reports of compliance or noncompliance with, or any progress reports on, interim and final requirements contained in any compliance schedule of this permit must be submitted no later than 14 days following each schedule date (see III.J.)		
6.	Twenty-Four Hour Notice of Noncompliance Reporting	The permittee must report certain occurrences of noncompliance by telephone within 24 hours from the time the permittee becomes aware of the circumstances		

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## I. Limitations and Monitoring Requirements

## A. Discharge Authorization

During the effective period of this permit, the permittee is authorized to discharge pollutants from the outfall specified herein to Jim Creek, within the limitations and subject to the conditions set forth herein. This permit authorizes the discharge of only those pollutants resulting from discharge of once-through cooling water, as described by the permittee in the permit application process.

## **B.** Effluent Limitations and Monitoring

1. The permittee shall limit and monitor discharges from Outfall 67 as specified in the following table. All figures represent maximum effluent limitations unless otherwise indicated. The permittee shall comply with the effluent limitations, below, at all times unless otherwise indicated, regardless of the frequency of monitoring or reporting required by other provisions of this permit.

Table 1. Effluent Limitations and Monitoring Requirements				
Parameter		Effluent Limitation	Monitoring Requirements	
	Units	7-DADMax	Sample Frequency	Sample Type
Flow	gpd		Continuous	Recording
Temperature (interim)	°C	271	Continuous	Recording
Temperature (final)	°C	$18.3^{2}$	Continuous	Recording

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Interim effluent limitation lasting until two years after the effective date of the permit.

2. Continuous effluent monitoring shall begin within six months of the effective date of the permit. Temperature data must be recorded using a micro-recording temperature devices known as thermistors. Set the recording device to record at one-hour intervals. Report the following temperature monitoring data on the DMR: 1-day maximum temperature and the highest 7-day average of the daily maximum temperatures (7-DADMax) for the month.

Use the temperature device manufacturer's software to generate (export) an Excel text or electronic ASCII text file. The file must be submitted annually to the EPA by January 31 for the previous monitoring year along with the placement log. The placement logs should include the following information for both thermistor deployment and retrieval: date, time, temperature device manufacturer ID, location, depth, whether it measured air or water temperature, and any other details that may explain data anomalies.

Set the recording device for flow to record at one-hour intervals.

- 3. The permittee shall report for each calendar month the highest 7-DADMax flow for the month and the highest maximum daily flow.
- 4. The addition of chemicals to cooling water prior to discharge is prohibited.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Final effluent limitation. See II.B.

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- 5. The discharge of cleaning solutions or solids, which are residuals of cooling system cleaning efforts, are prohibited.
- 6. The discharge shall not contain floating solids, visible foam, or oily wastes that produce a sheen on the surface of the receiving stream.
- 7. The permittee shall collect effluent samples at Outfall 67, or at any point preceding the outfall within the discharge line, before the discharge from the facility contacts the receiving stream.
- 8. Any discharge which offends the senses of sight, smell, touch, or taste is prohibited.

## **II. Special Conditions**

## A. Quality Assurance Plan (QAP)

The permittee shall develop a quality assurance plan (QAP) for all monitoring required by this permit. The permittee shall submit written notice to EPA that the Plan has been developed and implemented within 180 days of the effective date of this permit. Any existing QAPs may be modified for compliance with this section.

- 1. The QAP shall be designed to assist in planning for the collection and analysis of effluent and receiving water samples in support of the permit and in explaining data anomalies when they occur.
- 2. Throughout all sample collection and analysis activities, the permittee shall use the EPA-approved QA/QC and chain-of-custody procedures described in *Requirements for Quality Assurance Project Plans (EPA/QA/R-5) and Guidance for Quality Assurance Project Plans* (EPA/QA/G-5). The QAP shall be prepared in the format that is specified in these documents.
- 3. At a minimum, the QAP shall include the following:
  - a) Details on the number of samples, type of sample containers, preservation of samples, holding times, analytical methods, analytical detection and quantitation limits for each target compound, type and number of quality assurance field samples, precision and accuracy requirements, sample preparation requirements, sample shipping methods, and laboratory data delivery requirements.
  - b) Map(s) indicating the location of each sampling point.
  - c) Qualification and training of personnel.
  - d) Name(s), address(es) and telephone number(s) of the laboratories used by or proposed to be used by the permittee.
- 4. The permittee shall amend the QAP whenever there is a modification in sample collection, sample analysis, or other procedure addressed by the QAP.
- 5. Copies of the QAP shall be kept on site and made available to EPA upon request.

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## **B.** Temperature Compliance Schedule

The permittee must achieve compliance with the final temperature limitations of Part I.B.1. Table 1, within two years of the permit effective date.

While the schedule of compliance is in effect, the permittee must submit a Report of Progress one year from the effective date of the permit which outlines the progress made towards reaching the compliance date for the temperature effluent limitations. See also Part III.J., "Compliance Schedules". At a minimum, the report must include:

- 1. An assessment of the previous year of temperature data and comparison to the effluent limitations.
- 2. A report on progress made towards meeting the effluent limitations.
- 3. Further actions and milestones targeted for the upcoming year.

## III. General Monitoring, Recording and Reporting Requirements

## A. Representative Sampling (Routine and Non-Routine Discharges)

Samples and measurements shall be representative of the volume and nature of the monitored discharge.

In order to ensure that the effluent limitations set forth in this permit are not violated at times other than when routine samples are taken, the permittee shall collect additional samples at the appropriate outfall whenever any discharge occurs that may reasonably be expected to cause or contribute to a violation that is unlikely to be detected by a routine sample. The permittee shall analyze the additional samples for those parameters limited in Part I.A. of this permit that are likely to be affected by the discharge.

The permittee shall collect such additional samples as soon as the spill, discharge, or bypassed effluent reaches the outfall. The samples shall be analyzed in accordance with paragraph III.C ("Monitoring Procedures"). The permittee shall report all additional monitoring in accordance with paragraph III.D ("Additional Monitoring by Permittee").

## **B.** Reporting of Monitoring Results

During the period between the effective date of the permit and six months from the effective date of the permit, the permittee must either submit monitoring data and other reports in paper form, or must report electronically using NetDMR, a web-based tool that allows permittees to electronically submit DMRs and other required reports via a secure internet connection. If data is not available due to inaccessibility of the site then this shall be noted on the DMR.

After six months of the effective date of the permit, the permittee must submit monitoring data and other reports electronically using NetDMR.

Specific requirements regarding submittal of data and reports in paper form and submittal using NetDMR are described below.

#### 1. Paper Copy Submissions.

a) Monitoring data must be submitted using the DMR form (EPA No. 3320-1) or equivalent and must be postmarked by the 20th day of the month following the completed reporting period. The permittee must sign and certify all DMRs, and all other reports, in accordance with the requirements of Part V.E. of this permit ("Signatory Requirements"). The permittee must submit the legible originals of these documents to the Director, Office of Compliance and Enforcement:

> US EPA Region 10 Attn: ICIS Data Entry Team 1200 Sixth Avenue, Suite 900 OCE-133 Seattle, Washington 98101-3140

## 2. Electronic Copy Submissions

- a) Monitoring data must be submitted electronically to EPA no later than the 20th of the month following the completed reporting period. All reports required under this permit must be submitted to EPA as a legible electronic attachment to the DMR. The permittee must sign and certify all DMRs, and all other reports, in accordance with the requirements of Part V.E. of this permit ("Signatory Requirements"). Once a permittee begins submitting reports using NetDMR, it will no longer be required to submit paper copies of DMRs or other reports to EPA.
- b) The permittee may use NetDMR after requesting and receiving permission from US EPA Region 10. NetDMR is accessed from http://www.epa.gov/netdmr.

## **C.** Monitoring Procedures

Monitoring must be conducted according to test procedures approved under 40 CFR 136, unless another method is required under 40 CFR subchapters N or O, or other test procedures have been specified in this permit or approved by EPA as an alternate test procedure under 40 CFR 136.5.

## D. Additional Monitoring by Permittee

If the permittee monitors any pollutant more frequently than required by this permit, using test procedures approved under 40 CFR 136 or as specified in this permit, the permittee shall include the results of this monitoring in the calculation and reporting of the data submitted in the DMR.

Upon request by EPA, the permittee shall submit results of any other sampling, regardless of the test method used.

#### E. Records Contents

Records of monitoring information shall include:

1. the date, exact place, and time of sampling or measurements;

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- 2. the name(s) of the individual(s) who performed the sampling or measurements;
- 3. the date(s) analyses were performed;
- 4. the names of the individual(s) who performed the analyses;
- 5. the analytical techniques or methods used; and
- 6. the results of such analyses.

#### F. Retention of Records

The permittee must retain records of all monitoring information, including, all calibration and maintenance records and all original strip chart recordings for continuous monitoring instrumentation, copies of all reports required by this permit, copies of DMRs, a copy of the NPDES permit, and records of all data used to complete the application for this permit, for a period of at least five years from the date of the sample, measurement, report or application. This period may be extended by request of EPA at any time.

## G. Twenty-four Hour Notice of Noncompliance Reporting

- 1. The permittee shall report the following occurrences of noncompliance by telephone within 24 hours from the time the permittee becomes aware of the circumstances:
  - a) any noncompliance that may endanger health or the environment;
  - b) any unanticipated bypass that exceeds any effluent limitation in the permit (See Part IV.F., "Bypass of Treatment Facilities");
  - c) any upset that exceeds any effluent limitation in the permit (See Part IV.G., "Upset Conditions"); or
- 2. The permittee shall also provide a written submission within five days of the time that the permittee becomes aware of any event required to be reported under subpart 1 above. The written submission shall contain:
  - a) a description of the noncompliance and its cause;
  - b) the period of noncompliance, including exact dates and times;
  - c) the estimated time noncompliance is expected to continue if it has not been corrected; and
  - d) steps taken or planned to reduce, eliminate, and prevent recurrence of the noncompliance.
- 3. The Director of the Office of Compliance and Enforcement may waive the written report on a case-by-case basis if the oral report has been received within 24 hours by the NPDES Compliance Hotline in Seattle, Washington, by telephone, (206) 553-1846.
- 4. Reports shall be submitted to the address in Part III.B ("Reporting of Monitoring Results").

## H. Other Noncompliance Reporting

The permittee shall report all instances of noncompliance, not required to be reported within 24 hours, at the time that monitoring reports for Part III.B ("Reporting of Monitoring Results") are submitted. The reports shall contain the information listed in Part III.G.2 of this permit ("Twenty-four Hour Notice of Noncompliance Reporting").

## I. Changes in Discharge of Toxic Pollutants

The permittee shall notify the Director of the Office of Water and Watersheds as soon as it knows, or has reason to believe:

- 1. That any activity has occurred or will occur that would result in the discharge, on a **routine or frequent** basis, of any toxic pollutant that is not limited in the permit, if that discharge may reasonably be expected to exceed the highest of the following "notification levels":
  - a) One hundred micrograms per liter (100 ug/l);
  - b) Two hundred micrograms per liter (200 ug/l) for acrolein and acrylonitrile; five hundred micrograms per liter (500 ug/l) for 2,4-dinitrophenol and for 2-methyl-4, 6-dinitrophenol; and one milligram per liter (1 mg/l) for antimony;
  - c) Five (5) times the maximum concentration value reported for that pollutant in the permit application in accordance with 40 CFR 122.21(g)(7); or
  - d) The level established by EPA in accordance with 40 CFR 122.44(f).
- 2. That any activity has occurred or will occur that would result in any discharge, on a non-routine or infrequent basis, of any toxic pollutant that is not limited in the permit, if that discharge may reasonably be expected to exceed the highest of the following "notification levels":
  - a) Five hundred micrograms per liter (500 ug/l);
  - b) One milligram per liter (1 mg/l) for antimony;
  - c) Ten (10) times the maximum concentration value reported for that pollutant in the permit application in accordance with 40 CFR 122.21(g)(7); or
  - d) The level established by EPA in accordance with 40 CFR 122.44(f).
- 3. The permittee shall submit the notification to Office of Water and Watersheds at the following address:

US EPA Region 10 Attn: NPDES Permits Unit Manager 1200 Sixth Avenue, Suite 900, OWW-191 Seattle, Washington 98101

#### J. Compliance Schedules

Reports of compliance or noncompliance with, or any progress reports on, interim and final requirements contained in any compliance schedule of this permit shall be submitted no later than 14 days following each schedule date.

## IV. Compliance Responsibilities

## A. Duty to Comply

The permittee shall comply with all conditions of this permit. Any permit noncompliance constitutes a violation of the Act and is grounds for enforcement action, for permit termination, revocation and reissuance, or modification, or for denial of a permit renewal application.

#### **B.** Penalties for Violations of Permit Conditions

- 1. Civil and Administrative Penalties. Pursuant to 40 CFR Part 19 and the Act, any person who violates section 301, 302, 306, 307, 308, 318 or 405 of the Act, or any permit condition or limitation implementing any such sections in a permit issued under section 402, or any requirement imposed in a pretreatment program approved under sections 402(a)(3) or 402(b)(8) of the Act, is subject to a civil penalty not to exceed the maximum amounts authorized by Section 309(d) of the Act and the Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act (28 U.S.C. § 2461 note) as amended by the Debt Collection Improvement Act (31 U.S.C. § 3701 note) (currently \$37,500 per day for each violation).
- 2. Administrative Penalties. Any person may be assessed an administrative penalty by the Administrator for violating section 301, 302, 306, 307, 308, 318 or 405 of this Act, or any permit condition or limitation implementing any of such sections in a permit issued under section 402 of this Act. Pursuant to 40 CFR 19 and the Act, administrative penalties for Class I violations are not to exceed the maximum amounts authorized by Section 309(g)(2)(A) of the Act and the Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act (28 U.S.C. § 2461 note) as amended by the Debt Collection Improvement Act (31 U.S.C. § 3701 note) (currently \$16,000 per violation, with the maximum amount of any Class I penalty assessed not to exceed \$37,500). Pursuant to 40 CFR 19 and the Act, penalties for Class II violations are not to exceed the maximum amounts authorized by Section 309(g)(2)(B) of the Act and the Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act (28 U.S.C. § 2461 note) as amended by the Debt Collection Improvement Act (31 U.S.C. § 3701 note) (currently \$16,000 per day for each day during which the violation continues, with the maximum amount of any Class II penalty not to exceed \$187,500).

#### 3. Criminal Penalties:

- a) Negligent Violations. The Act provides that any person who negligently violates Sections 301, 302, 306, 307, 308, 318, or 405 of the Act, or any condition or limitation implementing any of such sections in a permit issued under Section 402 of the Act, or any requirement imposed in a pretreatment program approved under Section 402(a)(3) or 402(b)(8) of the Act, is subject to criminal penalties of \$2,500 to \$25,000 per day of violation, or imprisonment of not more than 1 year, or both. In the case of a second or subsequent conviction for a negligent violation, a person shall be subject to criminal penalties of not more than \$50,000 per day of violation, or by imprisonment of not more than 2 years, or both.
- b) Knowing Violations. Any person who knowingly violates such sections, or such conditions or limitations is subject to criminal penalties of \$5,000 to \$50,000 per day

- of violation, or imprisonment for not more than 3 years, or both. In the case of a second or subsequent conviction for a knowing violation, a person shall be subject to criminal penalties of not more than \$100,000 per day of violation, or imprisonment of not more than 6 years, or both.
- c) Knowing Endangerment. Any person who knowingly violates Section 301, 302, 303, 306, 307, 308, 318 or 405 of the Act, or any permit condition or limitation implementing any of such sections in a permit issued under Section 402 of the Act, and who knows at that time that he thereby places another person in imminent danger of death or serious bodily injury, shall, upon conviction, be subject to a fine of not more than \$250,000 or imprisonment of not more than 15 years, or both. In the case of a second or subsequent conviction for a knowing endangerment violation, a person shall be subject to a fine of not more than \$500,000 or by imprisonment of not more than 30 years, or both. An organization, as defined in Section 309(c)(3)(B)(iii) of the Act, shall, upon conviction of violating the imminent danger provision, be subject to a fine of not more than \$1,000,000 and can be fined up to \$2,000,000 for second or subsequent convictions.
- d) False Statements. The Act provides that any person who falsifies, tampers with, or knowingly renders inaccurate any monitoring device or method required to be maintained under this permit shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than \$10,000, or by imprisonment for not more than 2 years, or both. If a conviction of a person is for a violation committed after a first conviction of such person under this paragraph, punishment is a fine of not more than \$20,000 per day of violation, or by imprisonment of not more than 4 years, or both. The Act further provides that any person who knowingly makes any false statement, representation, or certification in any record or other document submitted or required to be maintained under this permit, including monitoring reports or reports of compliance or non-compliance shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than \$10,000 per violation, or by imprisonment for not more than 6 months per violation, or by both.

#### C. Need To Halt or Reduce Activity not a Defense

It shall not be a defense for the permittee in an enforcement action that it would have been necessary to halt or reduce the permitted activity in order to maintain compliance with this permit.

## D. Duty to Mitigate

The permittee shall take all reasonable steps to minimize or prevent any discharge in violation of this permit that has a reasonable likelihood of adversely affecting human health or the environment.

## E. Proper Operation and Maintenance

The permittee shall at all times properly operate and maintain all facilities and systems of treatment and control (and related appurtenances) which are installed or used by the permittee to achieve compliance with the conditions of this permit. Proper operation and

maintenance also includes adequate laboratory controls and appropriate quality assurance procedures. This provision requires the operation of back-up or auxiliary facilities or similar systems which are installed by the permittee only when the operation is necessary to achieve compliance with the conditions of the permit.

## F. Bypass of Treatment Facilities

1. Bypass not exceeding limitations. The permittee may allow any bypass to occur that does not cause effluent limitations to be exceeded, but only if it also is for essential maintenance to assure efficient operation. These bypasses are not subject to the provisions of paragraphs 2 and 3 of this Part.

#### 2. Notice.

- a) Anticipated bypass. If the permittee knows in advance of the need for a bypass, it shall submit prior written notice, if possible at least 10 days before the date of the bypass.
- b) Unanticipated bypass. The permittee shall submit notice of an unanticipated bypass as required under Part III.G ("Twenty-four Hour Notice of Noncompliance Reporting").

## 3. Prohibition of bypass.

- a) Bypass is prohibited, and the Director of the Office of Compliance and Enforcement may take enforcement action against the permittee for a bypass, unless:
  - (i) The bypass was unavoidable to prevent loss of life, personal injury, or severe property damage;
  - (ii) There were no feasible alternatives to the bypass, such as the use of auxiliary treatment facilities, retention of untreated wastes, or maintenance during normal periods of equipment downtime. This condition is not satisfied if adequate back-up equipment should have been installed in the exercise of reasonable engineering judgment to prevent a bypass that occurred during normal periods of equipment downtime or preventive maintenance; and
  - (iii) The permittee submitted notices as required under paragraph 2 of this Part.
- b) The Director of the Office of Compliance and Enforcement may approve an anticipated bypass, after considering its adverse effects, if the Director determines that it will meet the three conditions listed above in paragraph 3.a. of this Part.

#### **G.** Upset Conditions

1. Effect of an upset. An upset constitutes an affirmative defense to an action brought for noncompliance with such technology-based permit effluent limitations if the permittee meets the requirements of paragraph 2 of this Part. No determination made during administrative review of claims that noncompliance was caused by upset, and before an action for noncompliance, is final administrative action subject to judicial review.

- 2. Conditions necessary for a demonstration of upset. To establish the affirmative defense of upset, the permittee shall demonstrate, through properly signed, contemporaneous operating logs, or other relevant evidence that:
  - a) An upset occurred and that the permittee can identify the cause(s) of the upset;
  - b) The permitted facility was at the time being properly operated;
  - c) The permittee submitted notice of the upset as required under Part III.G, "Twenty-four Hour Notice of Noncompliance Reporting;" and
  - d) The permittee complied with any remedial measures required under Part IV.D, "Duty to Mitigate."
- 3. Burden of proof. In any enforcement proceeding, the permittee seeking to establish the occurrence of an upset has the burden of proof.

#### H. Toxic Pollutants

The permittee shall comply with effluent standards or prohibitions established under Section 307(a) of the Act for toxic pollutants within the time provided in the regulations that establish those standards or prohibitions, even if the permit has not yet been modified to incorporate the requirement.

## I. Planned Changes

The permittee shall give written notice to the Director of the Office of Water and Watersheds as specified in part III.I.3. As soon as possible of any planned physical alterations or additions to the permitted facility whenever:

- 1. The alteration or addition to a permitted facility may meet one of the criteria for determining whether a facility is a new source as determined in 40 CFR 122.29(b); or
- 2. The alteration or addition could significantly change the nature or increase the quantity of pollutants discharged. This notification applies to pollutants that are subject neither to effluent limitations in the permit, nor to notification requirements under Part III.I ("Changes in Discharge of Toxic Substances").

#### J. Anticipated Noncompliance

The permittee shall give written advance notice to the Director of the Office of Compliance and Enforcement of any planned changes in the permitted facility or activity that may result in noncompliance with this permit.

#### V. General Provisions

#### A. Permit Actions

This permit may be modified, revoked and reissued, or terminated for cause as specified in 40 CFR 122.62, 122.64, or 124.5. The filing of a request by the permittee for a permit modification, revocation and reissuance, termination, or a notification of planned changes or anticipated noncompliance does not stay any permit condition.

## B. Duty to Reapply

If the permittee intends to continue an activity regulated by this permit after the expiration date of this permit, the permittee shall apply for and obtain a new permit. In accordance with 40 CFR 122.21(d), and unless permission for the application to be submitted at a later date has been granted by the Regional Administrator, the permittee shall submit a new application at least 180 days before the expiration date of this permit.

## C. Duty to Provide Information

The permittee shall furnish to EPA within the time specified in the request, any information that EPA may request to determine whether cause exists for modifying, revoking and reissuing, or terminating this permit, or to determine compliance with this permit. The permittee shall also furnish to EPA upon request, copies of records required to be kept by this permit.

#### **D.** Other Information

When the permittee becomes aware that it failed to submit any relevant facts in a permit application, or that it submitted incorrect information in a permit application or any report to EPA it shall promptly submit the omitted facts or corrected information in writing.

## E. Signatory Requirements

All applications, reports or information submitted to EPA shall be signed and certified as follows.

- 1. All permit applications shall be signed as follows:
  - a) For a corporation: by a responsible corporate officer.
  - b) For a partnership or sole proprietorship: by a general partner or the proprietor, respectively.
  - c) For a municipality, state, federal, Indian tribe, or other public agency: by either a principal executive officer or ranking elected official.
- 2. All reports required by the permit and other information requested by EPA shall be signed by a person described above or by a duly authorized representative of that person. A person is a duly authorized representative only if:
  - a) The authorization is made in writing by a person described above;
  - b) The authorization specifies either an individual or a position having responsibility for the overall operation of the regulated facility or activity, such as the position of plant manager, operator of a well or a well field, superintendent, position of equivalent responsibility, or an individual or position having overall responsibility for environmental matters for the company; and
  - c) The written authorization is submitted to the Director of the Office of Compliance and Enforcement

- 3. Changes to authorization. If an authorization under Part V.E.2 is no longer accurate because a different individual or position has responsibility for the overall operation of the facility, a new authorization satisfying the requirements of Part V.E.2. Shall be submitted to the Director of the Office of Compliance and Enforcement prior to or together with any reports, information, or applications to be signed by an authorized representative.
- 4. Certification. Any person signing a document under this Part shall make the following certification:

"I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations."

## F. Availability of Reports

In accordance with 40 CFR 2, information submitted to EPA pursuant to this permit may be claimed as confidential by the permittee. In accordance with the Act, permit applications, permits and effluent data are not considered confidential. Any confidentiality claim shall be asserted at the time of submission by stamping the words "confidential business information" on each page containing such information. If no claim is made at the time of submission, EPA may make the information available to the public without further notice to the permittee. If a claim is asserted, the information will be treated in accordance with the procedures in 40 CFR 2, Subpart B (Public Information) and 41 Fed. Reg. 36902 through 36924 (September 1, 1976), as amended.

#### **G.** Inspection and Entry

The permittee shall allow the Director of the Office of Compliance and Enforcement, EPA Region 10; Ecology; or an authorized representative (including an authorized contractor acting as a representative of the Administrator), upon the presentation of credentials and other documents as may be required by law, to:

- 1. Enter upon the permittee's premises where a regulated facility or activity is located or conducted, or where records shall be kept under the conditions of this permit;
- 2. Have access to and copy, at reasonable times, any records that shall be kept under the conditions of this permit;
- 3. Inspect at reasonable times any facilities, equipment (including monitoring and control equipment), practices, or operations regulated or required under this permit; and
- 4. Sample or monitor at reasonable times, for the purpose of assuring permit compliance or as otherwise authorized by the Act, any substances or parameters at any location.

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#### H. Property Rights

The issuance of this permit does not convey any property rights of any sort, or any exclusive privileges, nor does it authorize any injury to persons or property or invasion of other private rights, nor any infringement of federal, tribal, state or local laws or regulations.

#### I. Transfers

This permit is not transferable to any person except after written notice to the Director of the Office of Water and Watersheds as specified in part III.I.3. The Director may require modification or revocation and reissuance of the permit to change the name of the permittee and incorporate such other requirements as may be necessary under the Act. (See 40 CFR 122.61; in some cases, modification or revocation and reissuance is mandatory).

#### J. State Laws

Nothing in this permit shall be construed to preclude the institution of any legal action or relieve the permittee from any responsibilities, liabilities, or penalties established pursuant to any applicable state law or regulation under authority preserved by Section 510 of the Act.

## VI. Definitions

- 1. "7-DADMax" means the arithmetic average of seven consecutive measures of daily maximum temperatures. The 7-DADMax for any individual day is calculated by averaging that day's daily maximum temperature with the daily maximum temperatures of the three days prior and the three days after that date.
- 2. "Act" means the Clean Water Act.
- 3. "Administrator" means the Administrator of the EPA, or an authorized representative.
- 4. "Bypass" means the intentional diversion of waste streams from any portion of a treatment facility.
- 5. "Daily discharge" means the discharge of a pollutant measured during a calendar day or any 24-hour period that reasonably represents the calendar day for purposes of sampling. For pollutants with limitations expressed in units of mass, the "daily discharge" is calculated as the total mass of the pollutant discharged over the day. For pollutants with limitations expressed in other units of measurement, the "daily discharge" is calculated as the average measurement of the pollutant over the day.
- 6. "Director of the Office of Compliance and Enforcement" means the Director of the Office of Compliance and Enforcement, EPA Region 10, or an authorized representative.
- 7. "Director of the Office of Water and Watersheds" means the Director of the Office of Water and Watersheds, EPA Region 10, or an authorized representative.
- 8. "DMR" means discharge monitoring report.

- 9. "Ecology" means the Washington State Department of Ecology.
- 10. "EPA" means the United States Environmental Protection Agency.
- 11. "Grab" sample is a single sample or measurement taken at a specific time or over as short a period of time as is feasible.
- 12. "Interim Minimum Level (IML)" is used when a method-specific "Minimum Level (ML)" has not been published by EPA. The IML is equal to 3.18 times the method-specified "Method Detection Limit (MDL)". The IML for non-metals is rounded to the nearest multiple of 2, 5, 10, 20, 50.
- 13. "Maximum daily discharge limitation" means the highest allowable "daily discharge."
- 14. "Method Detection Limit (MDL)" means the minimum concentration of a substance (analyte) that can be measured and reported with 99 percent confidence that the analyte concentration is greater than zero and is determined from analysis of a sample in a given matrix containing the analyte.
- 15. "Minimum Level (ML)" means the concentration at which the entire analytical system shall give a recognizable signal and an acceptable calibration point. The ML is the concentration in a sample that is equivalent to the concentration of the lowest calibration standard analyzed by a specific analytical procedure, assuming that all the method-specified sample weights, volumes and processing steps have been followed.
- 16. "NPDES" means National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System, the national program for issuing, modifying, revoking and reissuing, terminating, monitoring and enforcing permits . . . under Sections 307, 402, 318, and 405 of the CWA.
- 17. "QA/QC" means quality assurance/quality control.
- 18. "Recorder" requires the continuous operation of a chart and/or totalizer.
- 19. "Regional Administrator" means the Regional Administrator of Region 10 of the EPA, or the authorized representative of the Regional Administrator.
- 20. "Severe property damage" means substantial physical damage to property, damage to the treatment facilities which causes them to become inoperable, or substantial and permanent loss of natural resources which can reasonably be expected to occur in the absence of a bypass. Severe property damage does not mean economic loss caused by delays in production.
- 21. "Upset" means an exceptional incident in which there is unintentional and temporary noncompliance with technology-based permit effluent limitations because of factors beyond the reasonable control of the permittee. An upset does not include noncompliance to the extent caused by operational error, improperly designed treatment facilities, inadequate treatment facilities, lack of preventive maintenance, or careless or improper operation.