NPDES authorization to discharge to waters of the United States, Permit No. NM0020168

The applicant's mailing address is:

City of Aztec 201 W. Chaco St. Aztec, NM 87410

The discharge from this facility is located at 900 S. Oliver Street, Aztec, San Juan County, New Mexico. Under the SIC code 4952, the applicant operates City of Aztec WWTP, which has a design flow of 1.2 MGD providing sanitary services for approximately 6,322-population with no significant industrial user. Effluent is UV-disinfected before discharging to the Animas River. The designated uses of the receiving water are stated in the fact sheet.

This is a renewal of a permit previously issued on September 30, 2015, with an effective date of November 1, 2015, and an expiration date of October 31, 2020.

Changes from the previous permit are:

- Substitute unit (MPN) for E. coli bacteria has been added.
- Concentration and mass limits for BOD₅ have been relaxed.
- 85% removal is calculated monthly instead of weekly.
- TRC has been limited at 19 ug/L for daily max.
- 24-hour composite has been changed to 6-hour one for WET testing.

A fact sheet is available.

State Certification

This Notice also serves as Public Notice of the intent of the New Mexico Environment Department, Surface Water Quality Bureau to consider issuing Clean Water Act (CWA) Section 401 Certification. The purpose of such certification is to reasonably ensure that the permitted activities will be conducted in a manner that will comply with applicable New Mexico water quality standards, including the antidegradation policy, and the statewide water quality management plan. The NPDES permit will not be issued until the certification requirements of Section 401 have been met.

If you want to comment on State Certification submit written comments within the 30 day period to:

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