Prince William County Public Schools

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ASSESS ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTY AND OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY MID-ATLANTIC REGION Water Protection Division, Office of NPDES Permits and Enforcement, NPDES Enforcement Branch (3WP42) 1650 Arch Street Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103

Date of Notice: September 19, 2018 NPDES Permit No. VAR10I177 DOCKET NUMBER: CWA-03-2018-0129

Comments will be accepted until October 29, 2018.

In accordance with Section 309(g) of the Clean Water Act (CWA), 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g), notice is hereby given that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Mid-Atlantic Region, is proposing an administrative civil penalty against the Respondent named below, for alleged violations at the facility listed below.

RESPONDENT:

Prince William County Public Schools Construction Department 14800 Joplin Road, Building #51 Manassas, VA 20112

FACILITY:

Property located at: River Heritage Boulevard and Potomac Shores Parkway 44834 Rudder Road, Dumfries, VA 22026 Institutional facility

SUMMARY OF VIOLATIONS: Respondent violated the Clean Water Act, specifically, the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit program, by failing to develop and implement properly a Storm Water Pollution Prevention (SWPPP) Plan, a Pollution Prevention Plan, and an Erosion & Sediment Control Plan, resulting in multiple violations of the Clean Water Act as a result of discharges to waters of the U.S. without a permit. The Consent Agreement and Final Order (CAFO) alleges these same violations of Sections 301(a) and 402 of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. §§ 1311(a) and 1342. These violations were discovered during an NPDES inspection of Prince William County Public Schools' facility.

PROPOSED ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTY: Based on the foregoing and having taken into account the penalty factors set forth in Section 309(g) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g), EPA Mid-Atlantic Region proposes to assess an administrative civil penalty against Prince William County Public Schools in the amount of \$28,800. The total proposed penalty is consistent with 40 C.F.R. Part 19.

OPPORTUNITY FOR COMMENT: Persons wishing to comment on the amount or basis of the proposed assessment are invited to submit a statement to the EPA Mid-Atlantic Regional Administrator, addressed to the attention of the Regional Hearing Clerk (address below), within forty (40) days of the date of this public notice. Comments received within this forty (40) day period will be considered in the formulation of the final penalty assessment order. All comments must include the name, address, and telephone number of the writer and concise statement of the basis for any comment and any relevant facts on which it is based.

All comments should be addressed to:

Regional Hearing Clerk (3RC00) U.S. EPA, Mid-Atlantic Region 1650 Arch Street Philadelphia, PA 19103-2029

AVAILABILITY OF INFORMATION: Information relevant to the proposed penalty assessment may be requested through the Regional Hearing Clerk.

REGISTERY OF INTERESTED PERSONS: Any person interested in a particular case or group of cases may leave his/her name, address, and telephone number on a registry of interested persons which will be maintained in each file. The list of names will be maintained as a means for persons with an interest in the case to contact others with the same interest.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION. Interested parties may contact the following EPA representative to learn more about this action.

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