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Subject: Permit Limitations for Uncontaminated Stormwater

Dear Mr. Knudson:

As a general policy, the Office of Water Resources is applying the following limitations to uncontaminated stormwater discharges.

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<td>Oil and Grease</td>
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<td>Total Organic Carbon</td>
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It has been our experience that these limits are applicable for most situations, but higher limits are allowed if the applicant can demonstrate they are justified by higher background values for the specific area.
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We would request that EPA use these values in all future NPDES draft permits for Louisiana facilities to eliminate the problem of individual permit drafters within both of our agencies using different values (e.g., TOC values from 35 mg/l to 75 mg/l).

Sincerely,

[Signature]

J. Dale Givens, Assistant Secretary  
Office of Water Resources

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U. S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region VI