

### AUTHORIZATION TO DISCHARGE UNDER THE NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM

In compliance with the provisions of the Clean Water Act, as amended, (33 U.S.C. 1251 et. seq; the "Act"),

Gadsden Independent School District PO Drawer 70 Anthony, NM 88021

is authorized to discharge from a facility located at 1325 West Washington Street, Dona Ana County, New Mexico, to Rio Grande River in Segment 20.6.4.101 of the Rio Grande Basin, from a point located approximately

Outfall 001: Latitude 31° 59' 56.03" N and Longitude 106° 38' 6.52" W

in accordance with this cover page and the effluent limitations, monitoring requirements and other conditions set forth in Part I, Part II, III and Part IV.

This permit supersedes and replaces NPDES Permit No. NM0028487 with an effective date of September 1, 2019.

This permit shall become effective on July 1, 2025

This permit and the authorization to discharge shall expire at midnight, June 30, 2030

Issued on May 29, 2025

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### DOCUMENT ABBREVIATIONS

In the document that follows, various abbreviations are used. They are as follows:

4Q3 Lowest four-day average flow rate expected to occur once every three-years

BAT Best available technology economically achievable
BCT Best conventional pollutant control technology
BPT Best practicable control technology currently available

BMP Best management plan

BOD Biochemical oxygen demand (five-day unless noted otherwise)

BPJ Best professional judgment

CBOD Carbonaceous biochemical oxygen demand (five-day unless noted otherwise)

CD Critical dilution

CFR Code of Federal Regulations
cfs Cubic feet per second
COD Chemical oxygen demand
COE United States Corp of Engineers

CWA Clean Water Act

DMR Discharge monitoring report ELG Effluent limitation guidelines

EPA United States Environmental Protection Agency

ESA Endangered Species Act FCB Fecal coliform bacteria

FWS United States Fish and Wildlife Service

mg/l Milligrams per liter ug/l Micrograms per liter

lbs Pounds

MGD Million gallons per day

NMAC New Mexico Administrative Code NMED New Mexico Environment Department

NMIP New Mexico NPDES Permit Implementation Procedures

NMWOS New Mexico State Standards for Interstate and Intrastate Surface Waters

NPDES National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System

MOL Minimum quantification level

O&G Oil and grease

PFAS Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances POTW Publically owned treatment works

RP Reasonable potential SS Settleable solids

SIC Standard industrial classification s.u. Standard units (for parameter pH) SWQB Surface Water Quality Bureau

TDS Total dissolved solids
TMDL Total maximum daily load
TRC Total residual chlorine
TSS Total suspended solids
UAA Use attainability analysis
USGS United States Geological Service

WLA Wasteload allocation WET Whole effluent toxicity

WQCC New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission

WQMP Water Quality Management Plan WWTP Wastewater treatment plant

### PART I – REQUIREMENTS FOR NPDES PERMITS

## A. LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS

# 1. OUTFALL 001 - FINAL Effluent Limits - 0.09 MGD Design Flow

During the period beginning the effective date of the permit and lasting through the expiration date of the permit (unless otherwise noted), the permittee is authorized to discharge treated domestic wastewater from Outfall 001 to Rio Grande River in Segment 20.6.4.101 of the Rio Grande Basin. Such discharges shall be limited and monitored by the permittee and reported as specified below:

EFFLUENT CHARACTERISTICS	DISCHARGE LIMITATIONS	IMITATIONS	MONITORING REOUIREMENTS	UIREMENTS
			MEASUREMENT	
POLLUTANT	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM	FREQUENCY	SAMPLE TYPE
Hd	6.6 s.u.	9.0 s.u.	1/week	Instantaneous Grab

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	MONITORING REQUIREMENTS	SAMPLE TYPE	Totaled from internal outfall flows	Calculate (*2)	Calculate (*2)	Grab	Instantaneous Grab (*5)	Grab	Instantaneous Grab (*5)
	MONITORING	7-DAY AVG   DAILY MAX   T FREQUENCY	Daily	2/Month	2/Month	1/Month	1/Week	1/Month	1/Month
	1)	DAILY MAX	* * *	N/A	N/A	410 cfu/100 ml	11 ug/l (*4 )	Report	5 (minimum)
SNO	mg/l, unless noted (*1)	7-DAY AVG	**	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
DISCHARGE LIMITATIONS	/gm	30-DAY AVG	* * *	N/A	N/A	126 cfu/100 ml	N/A	Report	N/A
DISCH	less noted	7-DAY AVG	Report MGD	33.8	33.8	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	lbs/day, unless noted	30-DAY AVG	Report MGD	22.5	22.5	4.2x108 cfu/day	N/A	N/A	N/A
EFFLUENT	CHARACTERISTICS	POLLUTANT	Flow	BOD <sub>5</sub>	TSS	E. coli bacteria (*3)	TRC	Boron, dissolved	DO (*10)

EFFLUENT CHARACTERISTICS	DISCHARGE	DISCHARGE MONITORING	MONITORING F	MONITORING REQUIREMENTS
WHOLE EFFLUENT TOXICITY TESTING			MEASUREMENT	
7-DAY CHRONIC NOEC FRESHWATER (*7)	30-DAY AVG	48-HR MINIMUM	FREQUENCY (*7)	SAMPLE TYPE
Ceriodaphnia dubia	Report	Report	Once/5 year	Grab
Pimephales promelas	Report	Report	Once/5 year	Grab

Effluent Characteristic	Discharge Limitation			Monitoring Requirement	
Parameter	Average Monthly	Average Weekly N	Maximum Daily	Measurement Frequency	Sample Type
PFAS Analytes(*8, *9)	-		Report ng/L	Once/5 years	Grab

Influent Characteristic	Reporting Requirement	S		Monitoring Requirements	·
Parameter	Average Monthly	Average Weekly	Maximum Daily	Measurement Frequency	Sample Type
PFAS Analytes(*8, *9)			Report ng/L	Once/5 years	Grab

### Footnotes

- \*1 See Appendix A of Part II of the permit for minimum quantification limits.
- The mass loading at Outfall 001 can be calculated by using concentrations at internal outfall 01A. See fact sheet (page 9) for an example calculation
  - \*3 Colony forming units (cfu) per 100 ml or Most Probable Number (MPN).
- Sampling and reporting are required when chlorine is used for either bacteria control and/or when chlorine is used to treat filamentous algae and/or used to disinfect The effluent limitation for TRC is the instantaneous maximum and cannot be averaged for reporting purposes. The facility uses Ultraviolet light to treat E. Coli. process treatment equipment at the facility.
  - Regulations at 40 CFR Part 136 require that pollutants listed as instantaneous grab be analyzed within 15 minutes of collection..
- Monitoring and reporting requirements begin on the effective date of this permit. See Part II of the permit for WET testing requirements for additional WET monitoring and reporting conditions. 9\*
- The test shall take place between November 1 and April 30. This permit does not establish requirements to automatically increase the WET testing frequency after a test failure, or to begin a toxicity reduction evaluation (TRE) in the event of multiple failures. However, upon failure of any WET test, the permittee must report the results to EPA and NMED, Surface Water Quality Bureau, in writing, within 5 business days of notification of the test failure. EPA and NMED will review the test results and determine the appropriate action necessary, if any.
- Report in nanograms per liter (ng/L). This reporting requirement for the 40 PFAS parameters takes effect on the effective date of the authorization to discharge under results of all 40 PFAS analytes required to be tested as part of the method as shown in Appendix B of Part II. Any parameters that are removed from the method Adsorbable Organic Fluorine CWA wastewater method 1621 can be used in conjunction with method 1633, if appropriate. Additionally, report in NetDMR the the permit. Until there is an analytical method approved in 40 CFR Part 136 for PFAS in wastewater, monitoring shall be conducted using Method 1633. The based on multi-lab validation of the method will not be required for reporting and the Permittee may report "NODI: 9" for any such parameters. ∞ \*
  - \*9 PFAS data results should be submitted to NMED at SWQ.Reporting@env.nm.gov and NMENV-PFAS-DATA@env.nm.gov. The data submittal should include the electronic data deliverable and sampling narrative report provided by the analytical laboratory used to complete the analysis.
    - \*10 A compliance schedule is established for meeting the Dissolved Oxygen effluent limits, see Part 1.B. Schedule of Compliance for additional information.

### 2. OUTFALL 01A - Internal Outfall

During the period beginning the effective date of the permit and lasting through the expiration date of the permit (unless otherwise noted), the permittee is authorized to discharge treated domestic wastewater from Outfalls 01A to Outfall 001. Such discharges shall be limited and monitored by the permittee and reported as specified below:

EFFLUENT		DISCH	DISCHARGE LIMITATIONS	ONS			
CHARACTERISTICS	lbs/day, unless 1	less noted	1	mg/l, unless noted		MONITORING R	MONITORING REQUIREMENTS
						MEASUREMENT	
POLLUTANT	30-DAY AVG	7-DAY AVG	30-DAY AVG   7-DAY AVG   DAILY MAX	7-DAY AVG	DAILY MAX	FREQUENCY	SAMPLE TYPE
	Report MGD	Report MGD	***	* * *	***	Daily	Continuous
$BOD_5$	N/A	N/A	30	45	N/A	2/Month	Grab
	N/A	V/N	30	45	N/A	2/Month	Grab
3OD <sub>5</sub> % removal, minimum	≥85 (*1)	***	***	***	***	2/Month	Calculation
SS % removal, minimum	≥85 (*1)	***	***	* * *	***	2/Month	Calculation

### Footnotes:

<sup>\*1</sup> Percent removal is calculated using the following equation:

<sup>[</sup>average monthly influent concentration (mg/l) – average monthly effluent concentration (mg/l)] ÷[average monthly influent concentration (mg/l)] x 100.

### 3. FLOATING SOLIDS, VISIBLE FOAM AND/OR OILS

There shall be no discharge of floating solids or visible foam in other than trace amounts. There shall be no discharge of visible films of oil, globules of oil, grease or solids in or on the water, or coatings on stream banks.

Samples taken in compliance with the monitoring requirements specified above shall be taken at the discharge from the final treatment unit prior to the receiving stream. All three sample points shall be clearly marked by the facility. There shall be no flow from any source into the piping system after the Outfall 001 sample point and prior to the final outfall.

### 3. SAMPLING LOCATIONS

Samples taken in compliance with the monitoring requirements specified above shall be taken at the discharge from the final treatment unit prior to the receiving stream. Both sample points shall be clearly marked by the facility. There shall be no flow from any source into the piping system after the Outfall 001 sample point and prior to the final outfall.

### **B. SCHEDULES OF COMPLIANCE**

The permittee shall comply with the following schedule of activities to meet the final effluent limitations for total dissolved oxygen:

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- i. By one (1) year from the effective date of the final permit (EDP): Commence actions which may include engineering design or commence construction of treatment facilities, public notice of local limitations for industrial users, or any specific steps to improve effluent dissolved oxygen level; and
- ii. By three (3) years from the EDP: Comply with the effluent limitations for total dissolved oxygen. The permittee shall submit quarterly progress reports to EPA, and NMED, in accordance with the following schedule. The permittee shall also include the following in its quarterly progress reports: design completion, construction start and construction completion if any. The requirement to submit quarterly progress reports shall expire after written final report has been submitted. No later than 14-days after the date compliance with the final limits have been met, the permittee shall submit a written final report both to EPA and the State, stating that compliance has been completed. If at any time during the compliance periods the permittee determines that full compliance will not be met within the time allowed, a separate report shall be sent to EPA, and NMED stating the explanation for this delay and proposed remedial actions. The requirement to submit quarterly progress reports shall expire when the discharge is in compliance with the effluent limitations.

PROGRESS REPORT DATE

January 15

April15

July 15

October - December

January - March

April-June

October 15

July-September

The quarterly progress reports shall address the progress towards compliance with the final effluent limitations. Reports shall be submitted no later than "Progress Report Date" listed above. Any reports of noncompliance shall include the cause of noncompliance, any remedial actions taken, and the probability of meeting the next scheduled requirement. Compliance schedule progress reports shall be submitted to EPA and copy to NMED at addresses listed in Part III.D.4 of the permit.

### C. MONITORING AND REPORTING (MINOR DISCHARGERS)

Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) results shall be electronically reported to EPA per 40 CFR 127.16. To submit electronically, access the NetDMR website at www.epa.gov/netdmr and contact the R6NetDMR@epa.gov in-box for further instructions. Until you are approved for Net DMR, the permittee shall request temporary or emergency waivers from electronic reporting. To obtain the waiver, please contact: U.S. EPA – Region 6, Water Enforcement Branch, New Mexico State Coordinator (6EN-WC), (214) 665 -7179. If paper reporting is granted temporarily, the permittee shall submit the original DMR signed and certified as required by Part III.D.11 and all other reports required by Part III.D. to the EPA and copies to NMED as required (See Part III.D.IV of the permit). Reports shall be submitted quarterly. (DMR) Form EPA. No. 3320-1 in accordance with the "General Instructions" provided on the form.

- 1. Reporting periods shall end on the last day of the months March, June, September, and December.
- 2. The permittee is required to submit regular quarterly reports as described above <u>postmarked no later than the 28<sup>th</sup> day of the month</u> following each reporting period.

### 3. NO DISCHARGE REPORTING

If there is no discharge at Outfall 001 during the sampling month, place an "X" in the NO DISCHARGE box located in the upper right corner of the Discharge Monitoring Report.

### D. OVERFLOW REPORTING

The permittee shall report all overflows with the Discharge Monitoring Report submittal. These reports shall be summarized and reported in tabular format. The summaries shall include: the date, time, duration, location, estimated volume, and cause of the overflow; observed environmental impacts from the overflow; actions taken to address the overflow; and ultimate discharge location if not contained (e.g., storm sewer system, ditch, tributary).

Sewer overflow and bypass events that endanger health or the environment shall be orally reported to EPA at (214) 665-6595, and NMED Surface Water Quality Bureau at (505) 827-0187, within 24 hours from the time the permittee becomes aware of the sewer overflow or bypass event. The permittee must also use NeT-SewerOverflow, which is available at: <a href="https://cdx.epa.gov/">https://cdx.epa.gov/</a>, to submit a Sewer Overflow/Bypass Event Report to EPA within 5 days of the time the permittee becomes aware of the sewer overflow or bypass event that endangers health or the environment. For all other sewer overflow or bypass events that do not endanger health or the environment, the permittee must file a Sewer Overflow/Bypass Event Report to EPA, using NeT-SewerOverflow, on or before the due date of the next DMR submission.

The permittee shall coordinate with downstream users and stakeholders to develop a communications procedure or plan to notify the public of any overflows that reach a downstream water body. The permittee should provide a copy of the public notification to NMED. Sewer overflow and bypass events that endanger health or the environment and reach the downstream state of Texas on the Rio Grande shall be reported via email to Ryan Slocum (TCEQ El Paso Regional Director) at <a href="mailto:ryan.slocum@tceq.texas.gov">ryan.slocum@tceq.texas.gov</a> or Kent Waggoner (TCEQ El Paso Air/Water/Waste Section Manager) at kent.waggoner@tceq.texas.gov.

### E. POLLUTION PREVENTION REQUIREMENTS

The permittee shall institute a program within 12 months of the effective date of the permit (or continue an existing one) directed towards optimizing the efficiency and extending the useful life of the facility. The permittee shall consider the following items in the program:

- a. The influent loadings, flow and design capacity;
- b. The effluent quality and plant performance;
- c. The age and expected life of the wastewater treatment facility's equipment;
- d. Bypasses and overflows of the tributary sewerage system and treatment works;
- e. New developments at the facility;
- f. Operator certification and training plans and status;
- g. The financial status of the facility;
- h. Preventative maintenance programs and equipment conditions and;
- i. An overall evaluation of conditions at the facility.

### **PART II - OTHER CONDITIONS**

### A. MINIMUM QUANTIFICATION LEVEL (MQL)

EPA-approved test procedures (methods) for the analysis and quantification of pollutants or pollutant parameters, including for the purposes of compliance monitoring/DMR reporting, permit renewal applications, or any other reporting that may be required as a condition of this permit, shall be sufficiently sensitive. A method is "sufficiently sensitive" when (1) the method minimum level (ML) of quantification is at or below the level of the applicable effluent limit for the measured pollutant or pollutant parameter; or (2) if there is no EPA-approved analytical method with a published ML at or below the effluent limit (see table below), then the method has the lowest published ML (is the most sensitive) of the analytical methods approved under 40 CFR Part 136 or required under 40 CFR Chapter I, Subchapters N or 0, for the measured pollutant or pollutant parameter; or (3) the method is specified in this permit or has been otherwise approved in writing by the permitting authority (EPA Region 6) for the measured pollutant or pollutant parameter. The Permittee has the option of developing and submitting a report to justify the use of matrix or sample-specific MLs rather than the published levels. Upon written approval by EPA Region 6 the matrix or sample-specific MLs may be utilized by the Permittee for all future Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) reporting requirements.

POLLUTANT	CAS	STORET Code
	Number	
Total Residual Chlorine	7782-50-5	50060
Cadmium	7440-43-9	01027
Silver	7440-22-4	01077
Thallium	7440-28-0	01059
Cyanide	57-12-5	78248
Dioxin (2,3,7,8-TCDD)	1764-01-6	34675
4, 6-Dinitro-0-Cresol	534-52-1	34657
Pentachlorophenol	87-86-5	39032
Benzidine	92-87-5	39120
Chrysene	218-01-9	34320
Hexachlorobenzene	118-74-1	39700
N-Nitrosodimethylamine	62-75-9	34438
Aldrin	309-00-2	39330
Chlordane	57-74-9	39350
Dieldrin	60-57-1	39380
Heptachlor	76-44-8	39410
Heptachlor epoxide	1024-57-3	39420
Toxaphene	8001-35-2	3940

Unless otherwise indicated in this permit, if the EPA Region 6 MQL for a pollutant or pollutant parameter is sufficiently sensitive (as defined above) and the analytical test result is less than the MQL, then a value of zero (0) may be used for reporting purposes on DMRs. Furthermore, if the EPA Region 6 MQL for a pollutant or parameter is not sufficiently sensitive, but the analytical test result is less than the published ML from a sufficiently sensitive method, then a value of zero (0) may be used for reporting purposes on DMRs.

### B. 24-HOUR ORAL REPORTING: DAILY MAXIMUM LIMITATION VIOLATIONS

Under the provisions of Part III.D.7.b.(3) of this permit, violations of daily maximum limitations for the following pollutants shall be reported orally to EPA Region 6, Compliance and Assurance Division, Water Enforcement Branch (6EN-W), Dallas, Texas, and concurrently to NMED within 24 hours from the time the permittee becomes aware of the violation followed by a written report in five days.

### C. PERMIT MODIFICATION AND REOPENER

In accordance with [40 CFR Part 122.44(c)], the permit may be reopened and modified during the life of the permit if relevant portions of New Mexico's Water Quality Standards for Interstate and Intrastate Streams are revised, or new State water quality standards are established and/or remanded by the New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission.

In accordance with [40 CFR Part 122.62(a)], the permit may be reopened and modified if new information is received that was not available at the time of permit issuance that would have justified the application of different permit conditions at the time of permit issuance. Permit modifications shall reflect the results of any of these actions and shall follow regulations listed at [40 CFR Part 124.5].

### D. WHOLE EFFLUENT TOXICITY TESTING (7-Day CHRONIC NOEC FRESHWATER)

It is unlawful and a violation of this permit for a permittee or his designated agent, to manipulate test samples in any manner, to delay sample shipment, or to terminate or to cause to terminate a toxicity test. Once initiated, all toxicity tests must be completed unless specific authority has been granted by EPA Region 6 or the State NPDES permitting authority.

### 1. SCOPE AND METHODOLOGY

a. The permittee shall test the effluent for toxicity in accordance with the provisions in this section.

APPLICABLE TO FIT	NAL OUTFALL(S) 001
REPORTED AS FINAL OUTFALL	001
CRITICAL DILUTION (%)	100%
EFFLUENT DILTION SERIES (%)	32, 42, 56, 75 and 100
TEST SPECIES AND METHODS	Ceriodaphnia dubia / Method 1002.0 (EPA-
	821-R-02-013 or latest version)
	Pimephales promelas/ Method 1000.0
	(EPA/821/R-02-013 or latest version)
SAMPLE TYPE	Defined in PART I

- b. The NOEC (No Observed Lethal Effect Concentration) is herein defined as the greatest effluent dilution at and below which lethality or sublethality that is statistically different from the control (0% effluent) at the 95% confidence level does not occur. Chronic lethal test failure is defined as a demonstration of a statistically significant lethal effect at test completion to a test species at or below the critical dilution. Chronic sub-lethal test failure is defined as a demonstration of a statistically significant sub-lethal effect (i.e., growth or reproduction) at test completion to a test species at or below the critical dilution.
- c. This permit may be reopened to require whole effluent toxicity limits, chemical specific effluent limits, additional testing, and/or other appropriate actions to address toxicity.

### 2. REQUIRED TOXICITY TESTING CONDITIONS

a. Test Acceptance

The permittee shall repeat a test, including the control and all effluent dilutions, if the procedures and quality assurance requirements defined in the test methods or in this permit are not satisfied, including the following additional criteria:

Condition/Criteria	Ceriodaphnia dubia	Pimephales promelas
Test Duration	Until 60% or more of surviving control females have 3 broods (max 8 days)	7 days
# of replicates per concentration	10	5
# of organisms per replicate	1	8
# or organisms per	10	40 (minimum)
concentration		
# of test concentrations per effluent	5 and a control	5 and a control
Holding time *	36 hours for first use	36 hours for first use
Sampling Requirement *	Minimum of 3 samples	Minimum of 3 samples
Test Acceptability Criteria	≥80% survival of all control	≥80% survival of all control
	organisms.	organisms.
	Average of 15 or more	Average dry weight per
	neonates per surviving	surviving organism in
	control female.	control must be
		≥0.25mg.
	60% of surviving control	
	females must produce 3 broods.	
Coefficient of Variation **	40% or less, unless significant effects are exhibited.	40% or less unless significant effects are exhibited.
Percent Minimum Significant	13 – 47	12 - 30
Difference (PMSD		
range) for Sublethal		
Endpoint **		

<sup>\*</sup> If the flow from the outfall(s) being tested ceases during the collection of effluent samples, the requirements for the minimum number of effluent samples and the minimum number of effluent portions are waived during that sampling period. However, the permittee must collect an effluent composite sample volume during the period of discharge that is sufficient to complete the required toxicity tests with daily renewal of effluent and must meet the holding time between collection and first use of the sample. When possible, the effluent samples used for the toxicity tests shall be collected on separate days. The effluent composite sample collection duration and the static renewal protocol associated with the abbreviated sample collection must be documented in the full report required in Item 3 of this section.

### a. Statistical Interpretation

The statistical analyses used to determine if there is a significant difference between the control and the critical dilution shall be in accordance with the methods for determining the

<sup>\*\*</sup>Test failure may not be construed or reported as invalid due to a coefficient of variation value of greater than 40%, or a PMSD value greater than the higher value on the range provided.

No Observed Effect Concentration (NOEC) as described in the appropriate method manual listed in Part II or the most recent update thereof.

### b. Dilution Water

- 1) Dilution water used in the toxicity tests will be receiving water collected as close to the point of discharge as possible but unaffected by the discharge. The permittee shall substitute synthetic dilution water of similar pH, hardness, and alkalinity to the closest downstream perennial water for;
  - i. toxicity tests conducted on effluent discharges to receiving water classified as intermittent streams; and
  - ii. toxicity tests conducted on effluent discharges where no receiving water is available due to zero flow conditions.
- 2) If the receiving water is unsatisfactory as a result of instream toxicity (fails to fulfill the test acceptance criteria), the permittee may substitute synthetic dilution water for the receiving water in all subsequent tests provided the unacceptable receiving water test met the following stipulations:
  - i. a synthetic dilution water control which fulfills the test acceptance requirements was run concurrently with the receiving water control;
  - ii. the test indicating receiving water toxicity has been carried out to completion,
  - iii. the permittee includes all test results indicating receiving water toxicity with the full report and information required; and
  - iv. the synthetic dilution water shall have a pH, hardness, and alkalinity similar to that of the receiving water or closest downstream perennial water not adversely affected by the discharge, provided the magnitude of these parameters will not cause toxicity in the synthetic dilution water.
- c. Samples and Composites (grab sample is authorized for this permit)
  - 1) The permittee shall collect a minimum of three samples (flow-weighted composite if possible) from the outfall(s).
  - 2) The permittee shall collect a second and third sample (composite samples if possible) for use during the 24-hour renewal of each dilution concentration for each test. The permittee must collect the composite samples so that the maximum holding time for any effluent sample shall not exceed 36 hours for first use of the sample. The permittee must have initiated the toxicity test within 36 hours after the collection of the last portion of the first composite sample. Samples shall be chilled to 6 degrees Centigrade during collection, shipping, and/or storage. A holding time up to 72 hrs is allowed upon notification to EPA and NMED of the need for additional holding time.
  - 3) The permittee must collect the composite samples such that the effluent samples are representative of the discharge duration, and of any periodic episode of chlorination, biocide usage or other potentially toxic substance discharged on an intermittent basis

- a. The permittee shall prepare a full report of the results of all tests conducted pursuant to this section in accordance with the Report Preparation Section of EPA/821/R-02-013, or the most current publication, for every valid or invalid toxicity test initiated whether carried to completion or not. The permittee shall retain each full report pursuant to the provisions of PART III.C.3 of this permit. The permittee shall submit full reports upon the specific request of the Agency. For any test which fails, is considered invalid or which is terminated early for any reason, the full report must be submitted for agency review.
- b. A valid test for each species must be reported during each reporting period specified in PART I of this permit unless the permittee is performing a TRE which may increase the frequency of testing and reporting. Only ONE set of biomonitoring data for each species is to be recorded for each reporting period. The data submitted should reflect the LOWEST lethal and sub-lethal effects results for each species during the reporting period. All invalid tests, repeat tests (for invalid tests), and retests (for tests previously failed) performed during the reporting period must be attached for EPA review.
- c. The permittee shall submit the results of each valid toxicity test as follows below. Submit retest information, if required, clearly marked as such. Only results of valid tests are to be reported.

Reporting Requirement	Parameter S'	TORET CODE
	Ceriodaphnia dubia	Pimephales promelas
Enter a "1" if the No Observed Effect	TLP3B	TLP6C
Concentration (NOEC) for survival is less		
than the critical dilution, otherwise enter a		
"0".		
Report the NOEC value for survival	TOP3B	TOP6C
Report the LOEC value for survival	TXP3B	TXP6C
Enter a "1" if the NOEC for growth or	TGP3B	TGP6C
reproduction is less than the critical		
dilution, otherwise enter a "0".		
Report the NOEC value for growth or	TPP3B	TPP6C
reproduction		
Report the LOEC value for growth	TYP3B	TYP6C
Report the highest (critical dilution or control)	TQP3B	TQP6C
Coefficient of Variation		
(If required) Retest 1 – Enter a "1" if the NOEC	22418	22415
for survival, growth or reproduction is		
less than the critical dilution, otherwise		
enter "0".		
(If required) Retest 2- Enter a "1" if the NOEC	22419	22416
for survival, growth or reproduction is		
less than the critical dilution, otherwise		
enter "0".		
(If required) Retest 3- Enter a "1" if the NOEC	51444	51443
for survival, growth or reproduction is		
less than the critical dilution, otherwise		
enter "0".		

### **APPENDIX A of PART II**

The following Minimum Quantification Levels (MQL's) are to be used for reporting pollutant data for NPDES permit applications and/or compliance reporting.

POLLUTANTS	MQL μg/l	POLLUTANTS	MQL μg/l
METALS, RA	DIOACTIVITY	7, CYANIDE and CHLORINE	
Aluminum	2.5	Molybdenum	10
Antimony	60	Nickel	0.5
Arsenic	0.5	Selenium	5
Barium	100	Silver	0.5
Beryllium	0.5	Thalllium	0.5
Boron	100	Uranium	0.1
Cadmium	1	Vanadium	50
Chromium	10	Zinc	20
Cobalt	50	Cyanide	10
Copper	0.5	Cyanide, weak acid dissociable	10
Lead	0.5	Total Residual Chlorine	33
Mercury *1	0.0005		
	0.005		
	DIC	OXIN	
2,3,7,8-TCDD	0.00001		
	VOLATILE (	COMPOUNDS	
Acrolein	50	1,3-Dichloropropylene	10
Acrylonitrile	20	Ethylbenzene	10
Benzene	10	Methyl Bromide	50
Bromoform	10	Methylene Chloride	20
Carbon Tetrachloride	2	1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	10
Chlorobenzene	10	Tetrachloroethylene	10
Clorodibromomethane	10	Toluene	10
Chloroform	50	1,2-trans-Dichloroethylene	10
Dichlorobromomethane	10	1,1,2-Trichloroethane	10
1,2-Dichloroethane	10	Trichloroethylene	10
1,1-Dichloroethylene	10	Vinyl Chloride	10
1,2-Dichloropropane	10		
		MPOUNDS	
2-Chlorophenol	10	2,4-Dinitrophenol	50
2,4-Dichlorophenol	10	Pentachlorophenol	5
2,4-Dimethylphenol	10	Phenol	10
4,6-Dinitro-o-Cresol	50	2,4,6-Trichlorophenol	10

POLLUTANTS	MQL μg/l	POLLUTANTS	MQL μg/l
	BASE/N	NEUTRAL	
Acenaphthene	10	Dimethyl Phthalate	10
Anthracene	10	Di-n-Butyl Phthalate	10
Benzidine	50	2,4-Dinitrotoluene	10
Benzo(a)anthracene	5	1,2-Diphenylhydrazine	20
Benzo(a)pyrene	5	Fluoranthene	10
3,4-Benzofluoranthene	10	Fluorene	10
Benzo(k)fluoranthene	5	Hexachlorobenzene	5
Bis(2-chloroethyl)Ether	10	Hexachlorobutadiene	10
Bis(2-chloroisopropyl)Ether	10	Hexachlorocyclopentadiene	10
Bis(2-ethylhexyl)Phthalate	10	Hexachloroethane	20
Butyl Benzyl Phthalate	10	Indeno(1,2,3-cd)Pyrene	5
2-Chloronapthalene	10	Isophorone	10
Chrysene	5	Nitrobenzene	10
Dibenzo(a,h)anthracene	5	n-Nitrosodimethylamine	50
1,2-Dichlorobenzene	10	n-Nitrosodi-n-Propylamine	20
1,3-Dichlorobenzene	10	n-Nitrosodiphenylamine	20
1,4-Dichlorobenzene	10	Pyrene	10
3,3'-Dichlorobenzidine	5	1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene	10
Diethyl Phthalate	10		
	PESTICIDI	ES AND PCBS	
Aldrin	0.01	Beta-Endosulfan	0.02
Alpha-BHC	0.05	Endosulfan sulfate	0.02
Beta-BHC	0.05	Endrin	0.02
Gamma-BHC	0.05	Endrin Aldehyde	0.1
Chlordane	0.2	Heptachlor	0.01
4,4'-DDT and derivatives	0.02	Heptachlor Epoxide	0.01
Dieldrin	0.02	PCBs	0.2
Alpha-Endosulfan	0.01	Toxaphene	0.3

(MQL's Revised November 1, 2007)

### Footnotes:

\*1 Default MQL for Mercury is 0.005 unless Part I of your permit requires the more sensitive Method 1631 (Oxidation / Purge and Trap / Cold vapor Atomic Fluorescence Spectrometry), then the MQL

### APPENDIX B of PART II

Target Analytes of U.S. EPA Method 1633: Analysis of Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) in Aqueous, Solid, Biosolids, and Tissue Samples by LC-MS/MS

Names, Abbreviations, and CAS Registry Numbers for Target PFAS:

Target Analyte Name	Abbreviation	CAS Number
Perfluoroalkyl carboxylic acids		
Perfluorobutanoic acid	PFBA	375-22-4
Perfluoropentanoic acid	PFPeA	2706-90-3
Perfluorohexanoic acid	PFHxA	307-24-4
Perfluoroheptanoic acid	PFHpA	375-85-9
Perfluorooctanoic acid	PFOA	335-67-1
Perfluorononanoic acid	PFNA	375-95-1
Perfluorodecanoic acid	PFDA	335-76-2
Perfluoroundecanoic acid	PFUnA	2058-94-8
Perfluorododecanoic acid	PFDoA	307-55-1
Perfluorotridecanoic acid	PFTrDA	72629-94-8
Perfluorotetradecanoic acid	PFTeDA	376-06-7
Perfluoroalkyl sulfonic acids		<u>'</u>
Acid Form		
Perfluorobutanesulfonic acid	PFBS	375-73-5
Perfluoropentansulfonic acid	PFPeS	2706-91-4
Perfluorohexanesulfonic acid	PFHxS	355-46-4
Perfluoroheptanesulfonic acid	PFHpS	375-92-8
Perfluorooctanesulfonic acid	PFOS	1763-23-1
Perfluorononanesulfonic acid	PFNS	68259-12-1
Perfluorodecanesulfonic acid	PFDS	335-77-3
Perfluorododecanesulfonic acid	PFDoS	79780-39-5
Fluorotelomer sulfonic acids		
1 <i>H</i> ,1 <i>H</i> , 2 <i>H</i> , 2 <i>H</i> -Perfluorohexane sulfonic acid	4:2FTS	757124-72-4
1 <i>H</i> ,1 <i>H</i> , 2 <i>H</i> , 2 <i>H</i> -Perfluorooctane sulfonic acid	6:2FTS	27619-97-2
1 <i>H</i> ,1 <i>H</i> ,2 <i>H</i> ,2 <i>H</i> -Perfluorodecane sulfonic acid	8:2FTS	39108-34-4
Perfluorooctane sulfonamides		
Perfluorooctanesulfonamide	PFOSA	754-91-6
N-methylperfluorooctanesulfonamide	NMeFOSA	31506-32-8
N-ethyl perfluorooctanesulfonamide	NEtFOSA	4151-50-2
Perfluorooctane sulfonamidoacetic acids		
N-methyl perfluorooctanesulfonamidoacetic acid	NMeFOSAA	2355-31-9
N-ethyl perfluorooctanesulfonamidoacetic acid	NEtFOSAA	2991-50-6
Perfluorooctane sulfonamide ethanols		
N-methyl perfluorooctanesulfonamidoethanol	NMeFOSE	24448-09-7
N-ethyl perfluorooctanesulfonamidoethanol	NEtFOSE	1691-99-2
Per- and Polyfluoroether carboxylic acids		
Hexafluoropropylene oxide dimer acid	HFPO-DA	13252-13-6
4,8-Dioxa-3 <i>H</i> -perfluorononanoic acid	ADONA	919005-14-4
Perfluoro-3-methoxypropanoic acid	PFMPA	377-73-1
Perfluoro-4-methoxybutanoic acid	PFMBA	863090-89-5
Nonafluoro-3,6-dioxaheptanoic acid	NFDHA	151772-58-6
Ether sulfonic acids	, ======	1 221,72 00 0

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9-Chlorohexadecafluoro-3-oxanonane-1-sulfonic acid	9Cl-PF3ONS	756426-58-1
11-Chloroeicosafluoro-3-oxaundecane-1-sulfonic acid	11Cl-PF3OUdS	763051-92-9
Perfluoro(2-ethoxyethane)sulfonic acid	PFEESA	113507-82-7
Fluorotelomer carboxylic acids		
3-Perfluoropropyl propanoic acid	3:3FTCA	356-02-5
2H,2H,3H,3H-Perfluorooctanoic acid	5:3FTCA	914637-49-3
3-Perfluoroheptyl propanoic acid	7:3FTCA	812-70-4

The target analyte names are for the acid and neutral forms of the analytes. See Table 8 of U.S. EPA draft method 1633 for the names and CASRN of the corresponding anion forms, where applicable.

### PART III - STANDARD CONDITIONS FOR NPDES PERMITS

### A. GENERAL CONDITIONS

### 1. INTRODUCTION

In accordance with the provisions of 40 CFR Part 122.41, et. seq., this permit incorporates by reference ALL conditions and requirements applicable to NPDES Permits set forth in the Clean Water Act, as amended, (hereinafter known as the "Act") as well as ALL applicable regulations.

### 2. DUTY TO COMPLY

The permittee must 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.

### 3. TOXIC POLLUTANTS

- a. Notwithstanding Part III.A.5, if any toxic effluent standard or prohibition (including any schedule of compliance specified in such effluent standard or prohibition) is promulgated under Section 307(a) of the Act for a toxic pollutant which is present in the discharge and that standard or prohibition is more stringent than any limitation on the pollutant in this permit, this permit shall be modified or revoked and reissued to conform to the toxic effluent standard or prohibition.
- b. 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 established those standards or prohibitions, even if the permit has not yet been modified to incorporate the requirement.

### 4. DUTY TO REAPPLY

If the permittee wishes to continue an activity regulated by this permit after the expiration date of this permit, the permittee must apply for and obtain a new permit. The application shall be submitted at least 180 days before the expiration date of this permit. The Director may grant permission to submit an application less than 180 days in advance but no later than the permit expiration date. Continuation of expiring permits shall be governed by regulations promulgated at 40 CFR Part 122.6 and any subsequent amendments.

### 5. PERMIT FLEXIBILITY

This permit may be modified, revoked and reissued, or terminated for cause in accordance with 40 CFR 122.62-64. The filing of a request for a permit modification, revocation and reissuance, or termination, or a notification of planned changes or anticipated noncompliance, does not stay any permit condition.

### 6. PROPERTY RIGHTS

This permit does not convey any property rights of any sort, or any exclusive privilege.

### 7. DUTY TO PROVIDE INFORMATION

The permittee shall furnish to the Director, within a reasonable time, any information which the Director 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 the Director, upon request, copies of records required to be kept by this permit.

### 8. CRIMINAL AND CIVIL LIABILITY

Except as provided in permit conditions on "Bypassing" and "Upsets", nothing in this permit shall be construed to relieve the permittee from civil or criminal penalties for noncompliance. Any false or materially misleading representation or concealment of information required to be reported by the provisions of the permit, the Act, or applicable regulations, which avoids or effectively defeats the regulatory purpose of the Permit may subject the Permittee to criminal enforcement pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1001.

### 9. OIL AND HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE LIABILITY

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 to which the permittee is or may be subject under Section 311 of the Act.

### 10. STATE LAWS

Nothing in this permit shall be construed to preclude the institution of any legal action or relieve the permittee

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from any responsibilities, liabilities, or penalties established pursuant to any applicable State law or regulation under authority preserved by Section 510 of the Act.

### 11. SEVERABILITY

The provisions of this permit are severable, and if any provision of this permit or the application of any provision of this permit to any circumstance is held invalid, the application of such provision to other circumstances, and the remainder of this permit, shall not be affected thereby.

### B. PROPER OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

### 1. NEED TO HALT OR REDUCE NOT A DEFENSE

It shall not be a defense for a permittee in an enforcement action that it would have been necessary to halt or reduce the permitted activity in order to maintain compliance with the conditions of this permit. The permittee is responsible for maintaining adequate safeguards to prevent the discharge of untreated or inadequately treated wastes during electrical power failure either by means of alternate power sources, standby generators or retention of inadequately treated effluent.

### 2. DUTY TO MITIGATE

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

### 3. PROPER OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

- a. 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 permittee as efficiently as possible and in a manner which will minimize upsets and discharges of excessive pollutants and will 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 backup or auxiliary facilities or similar systems which are installed by a permittee only when the operation is necessary to achieve compliance with the conditions of this permit.
- b. The permittee shall provide an adequate operating staff which is duly qualified to carry out operation, maintenance and testing functions required to insure compliance with the conditions of this permit.

### 4. BYPASS OF TREATMENT FACILITIES

### a. BYPASS NOT EXCEEDING LIMITATIONS

The permittee may allow any bypass to occur which 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 Parts III.B.4.b. and 4.c.

### b. NOTICE

### (1) ANTICIPATED BYPASS

If the permittee knows in advance of the need for a bypass, it shall submit prior notice, if possible at least ten days before the date of the bypass.

### (2) UNANTICIPATED BYPASS

The permittee shall, within 24 hours, submit notice of an unanticipated bypass as required in Part III.D.7.

### c. PROHIBITION OF BYPASS

- (1) Bypass is prohibited, and the Director may take enforcement action against a permittee for bypass, unless:
  - (a) Bypass was unavoidable to prevent loss of life, personal injury, or severe property damage;
  - (b) 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 which occurred during normal periods of equipment downtime or preventive maintenance; and,
  - (c) The permittee submitted notices as required by Part III.B.4.b.

(2) The Director may allow an anticipated bypass after considering its adverse effects, if the Director determines that it will meet the three conditions listed at Part III.B.4.c(1).

### 5. UPSET CONDITIONS

### a. 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 requirements of Part III.B.5.b. are met. 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.

### b. CONDITIONS NECESSARY FOR A DEMONSTRATION OF UPSET

A permittee who wishes to establish the affirmative defense of upset shall demonstrate, through properly signed, contemporaneous operating logs, or other relevant evidence that:

- (1) An upset occurred and that the permittee can identify the cause(s) of the upset;
- (2) The permitted facility was at the time being properly operated;
- (3) The permittee submitted notice of the upset as required by Part III.D.7; and,
- (4) The permittee complied with any remedial measures required by Part III.B.2.

### c. BURDEN OF PROOF

In any enforcement proceeding, the permittee seeking to establish the occurrence of an upset has the burden of proof.

### 6. REMOVED SUBSTANCES

Unless otherwise authorized, solids, sewage sludges, filter backwash, or other pollutants removed in the course of treatment or wastewater control shall be disposed of in a manner such as to prevent any pollutant from such materials from entering navigable waters.

### 7. PERCENT REMOVAL (PUBLICLY OWNED TREATMENT WORKS)

For publicly owned treatment works, the 30-day average (or Monthly Average) percent removal for Biochemical Oxygen Demand and Total Suspended Solids shall not be less than 85 percent unless otherwise authorized by the permitting authority in accordance with 40 CFR 133.103.

### C. MONITORING AND RECORDS

### 1. <u>INSPECTION AND ENTRY</u>

The permittee shall allow the Director, or an authorized representative, upon the presentation of credentials and other documents as may be required by the law to:

- a. Enter upon the permittee's premises where a regulated facility or activity is located or conducted, or where records must be kept under the conditions of this permit;
- b. Have access to and copy, at reasonable times, any records that must be kept under the conditions of this permit;
- c. Inspect at reasonable times any facilities, equipment (including monitoring and control equipment), practices or operations regulated or required under this permit; and
- d. 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.

### 2. REPRESENTATIVE SAMPLING

Samples and measurements taken for the purpose of monitoring shall be representative of the monitored activity.

### 3. RETENTION OF RECORDS

The permittee shall 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, and records of all data used to complete the application for this permit, for a period of at least 3 years from the date of the sample, measurement, report, or application. This period may be extended by request of the

Director at any time.

### 4. RECORD CONTENTS

Records of monitoring information shall include:

- a. The date, exact place, and time of sampling or measurements;
- b. The individual(s) who performed the sampling or measurements;
- c. The date(s) and time(s) analyses were performed;
- d. The individual(s) who performed the analyses;
- e. The analytical techniques or methods used; and
- f. The results of such analyses.

### 5. MONITORING PROCEDURES

- a. Monitoring must be conducted according to test procedures approved under 40 CFR Part 136, unless other test procedures have been specified in this permit or approved by the Regional Administrator.
- b. The permittee shall calibrate and perform maintenance procedures on all monitoring and analytical instruments at intervals frequent enough to insure accuracy of measurements and shall maintain appropriate records of such activities.
- c. An adequate analytical quality control program, including the analyses of sufficient standards, spikes, and duplicate samples to insure the accuracy of all required analytical results shall be maintained by the permittee or designated commercial laboratory.

### 6. FLOW MEASUREMENTS

Appropriate flow measurement devices and methods consistent with accepted scientific practices shall be selected and used to ensure the accuracy and reliability of measurements of the volume of monitored discharges. The devices shall be installed, calibrated, and maintained to insure that the accuracy of the measurements is consistent with the accepted capability of that type of device. Devices selected shall be capable of measuring flows with a maximum deviation of less than 10% from true discharge rates throughout the range of expected discharge volumes.

### D. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

### 1. PLANNED CHANGES

### a. INDUSTRIAL PERMITS

The permittee shall give notice to the Director as soon as possible of any planned physical alterations or additions to the permitted facility. Notice is required only when:

- (1) The alteration or addition to a permitted facility may meet one of the criteria for determining whether a facility is a new source in 40 CFR Part 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 which are subject neither to effluent limitations in the permit, nor to notification requirements listed at Part III.D.10.a.

### b. MUNICIPAL PERMITS

Any change in the facility discharge (including the introduction of any new source or significant discharge or significant changes in the quantity or quality of existing discharges of pollutants) must be reported to the permitting authority. In no case are any new connections, increased flows, or significant changes in influent quality permitted that will cause violation of the effluent limitations specified herein.

### 2. ANTICIPATED NONCOMPLIANCE

The permittee shall give advance notice to the Director of any planned changes in the permitted facility or activity which may result in noncompliance with permit requirements.

### 3. TRANSFERS

This permit is not transferable to any person except after notice to the Director. 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.

### 4. DISCHARGE MONITORING REPORTS AND OTHER REPORTS

Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) results shall be electronically reported to EPA per 40 CFR 127.16. To submit electronically, access the NetDMR website at https://netdmr.epa.gov. Until approved for Net DMR, the permittee shall request temporary or emergency waivers from electronic reporting. To obtain the waiver, please contact: U.S. EPA - Region 6, Water

Enforcement Branch, New Mexico State Coordinator (ECD-W), (214) 665-7179. If paper reporting is granted temporarily, the permittee shall submit the original DMR signed and certified as required by Part III.D.11 and all other reports required by Part

III.D. to the EPA and copies to NMED as required. Duplicate copies of all other reports shall be submitted to NMED at the following address(es):

EPA:

Enforcement & Compliance Assurance Division Water Enforcement Branch (ECD-W) U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 6 1201 Elm Street, Suite 500 Dallas, TX 75202 New Mexico:
New Mexico Environment Department
Surface Water Quality Bureau
Point Source Program Manager
P.O. Box 5469
1190 Saint Francis Drive
Santa Fe, NM 87502-5469
SWQ.Reporting@env.nm.gov (email preferred)

### 5. ADDITIONAL MONITORING BY THE PERMITTEE

If the permittee monitors any pollutant more frequently than required by this permit, using test procedures approved under 40 CFR Part 136 or as specified in this permit, the results of this monitoring shall be included in the calculation and reporting of the data submitted in the Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR). Such increased monitoring frequency shall also be indicated on the DMR.

### 6. AVERAGING OF MEASUREMENTS

Calculations for all limitations which require averaging of measurements shall utilize an arithmetic mean unless otherwise specified by the Director in the permit.

### 7. TWENTY-FOUR HOUR REPORTING

- a. The permittee shall report any noncompliance which may endanger health or the environment. Notification shall be made to the EPA at the following e-mail address: R6\_NPDES\_Reporting@epa.gov, as soon as possible, but within 24 hours from the time the permittee becomes aware of the circumstance. Notification shall also be made to the New Mexico Environment Department at (505) 827-0187 or SWQ.Reporting@env.nm.gov as soon as possible, but within 24 hours from the time the permittee becomes aware of the circumstance. A written submission shall be provided within 5 days of the time the permittee becomes aware of the circumstances. The report shall contain the following information:
  - (1) A description of the noncompliance and its cause;
  - (2) The period of noncompliance including exact dates and times, and if the noncompliance has not been corrected, the anticipated time it is expected to continue; and,
  - (3) Steps being taken to reduce, eliminate, and prevent recurrence of the noncomplying discharge.
- b. The following shall be included as information which must be reported within 24 hours:
  - (1) Any unanticipated bypass which exceeds any effluent limitation in the permit;
  - (2) Any upset which exceeds any effluent limitation in the permit; and,
  - (3) Violation of a maximum daily discharge limitation for any of the pollutants listed by the Director in Part II (industrial permits only) of the permit to be reported within 24 hours.
- c. The Director may waive the written report on a case-by-case basis if the oral report has been received within 24 hours.

### 8. OTHER NONCOMPLIANCE

The permittee shall report all instances of noncompliance not reported under Parts III.D.4 and D.7 and Part I.B (for industrial permits only) at the time monitoring reports are submitted. The reports shall contain the information listed at Part III.D.7.

### 9. OTHER INFORMATION

Where the permittee becomes aware that it failed to submit any relevant facts in a permit application, or submitted incorrect information in a permit application or in any report to the Director, it shall promptly submit such facts or information.

### 10. CHANGES IN DISCHARGES OF TOXIC SUBSTANCES

All existing manufacturing, commercial, mining, and silvacultural permittees shall notify the Director as soon as it knows or has reason to believe:

- a. That any activity has occurred or will occur which would result in the discharge, on a routine or frequent basis, of any toxic pollutant listed at 40 CFR Part 122, Appendix D, Tables II and III (excluding Total Phenols) which is not limited in the permit, if that discharge will exceed the highest of the following "notification levels":
  - (1) One hundred micrograms per liter (100 μg/L);
  - (2) Two hundred micrograms per liter (200  $\mu$ g/L) for acrolein and acrylonitrile; five hundred micrograms per liter (500  $\mu$ g/L) for 2, 4-dinitro-phenol and for 2-methyl-4, 6-dinitrophenol; and one milligram per liter (1 mg/L) for antimony;
  - (3) Five (5) times the maximum concentration value reported for that pollutant in the permit application; or
  - (4) The level established by the Director.
- b. That any activity has occurred or will occur which would result in any discharge, on a nonroutine or infrequent basis, of a toxic pollutant which is not limited in the permit, if that discharge will exceed the highest of the following "notification levels":
  - (1) Five hundred micrograms per liter (500 μg/L);
  - (2) One milligram per liter (1 mg/L) for antimony;
  - (3) Ten (10) times the maximum concentration value reported for that pollutant in the permit application; or
  - (4) The level established by the Director.

### 11. SIGNATORY REQUIREMENTS

All applications, reports, or information submitted to the Director shall be signed and certified.

- a. <u>ALL PERMIT APPLICATIONS</u> shall be signed as follows:
  - (1) <u>FOR A CORPORATION</u> by a responsible corporate officer. For the purpose of this section, a responsible corporate officer means:
    - (a) A president, secretary, treasurer, or vice-president of the corporation in charge of a principal business function, or any other person who performs similar policy or decision making functions for the corporation; or,
    - (b) The manager of one or more manufacturing, production, or operating facilities, provided, the manager is authorized to make management decisions which govern the operation of the regulated facility including having the explicit or implicit duty of making major capital investment recommendations, and initiating and directing other comprehensive measures to assure long term environmental compliance with environmental laws and regulations; the manager can ensure that the necessary systems are established or actions taken to gather complete and accurate information for permit application requirements; and where authority to sign documents has been assigned or delegated to the manager in accordance with corporate procedures.

- (2) <u>FOR A PARTNERSHIP OR SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP</u> by a general partner or the proprietor, respectively.
- (3) <u>FOR A MUNICIPALITY, STATE, FEDERAL, OR OTHER PUBLIC AGENCY</u> by either a principal executive officer or ranking elected official. For purposes of this section, a principal executive officer of a Federal agency includes:
  - (a) The chief executive officer of the agency, or
  - (b) A senior executive officer having responsibility for the overall operations of a principal geographic unit of the agency.
- b. <u>ALL REPORTS</u> required by the permit and other information requested by the Director 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:
  - (1) The authorization is made in writing by a person described above;
  - (2) 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, or position of equivalent responsibility, or an individual or position having overall responsibility for environmental matters for the company. A duly authorized representative may thus be either a named individual or an individual occupying a named position; and,
  - (3) The written authorization is submitted to the Director.

### c. CERTIFICATION

Any person signing a document under this section 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 gathered and evaluated 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 have no personal knowledge that the information submitted is other than 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"

### 12. AVAILABILITY OF REPORTS

Except for applications, effluent data permits, and other data specified in 40 CFR 122.7, any information submitted pursuant to this permit may be claimed as confidential by the submitter. If no claim is made at the time of submission, information may be made available to the public without further notice.

### E. PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF PERMIT CONDITIONS

### 1. CRIMINAL

### a. NEGLIGENT VIOLATIONS

The Act provides that any person who negligently violates permit conditions implementing Section 301, 302, 306, 307, 308, 318, or 405 of the Act is subject to a fine of not less than \$2,500 nor more than \$25,000 per day of violation, or by imprisonment for 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

The Act provides that any person who knowingly violates permit conditions implementing Sections 301, 302, 306, 307, 308, 318, or 405 of the Act is subject to a fine of not less than \$5,000 nor more than \$50,000 per day of violation, or by 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

The Act provides that any person who knowingly violates permit conditions implementing Sections 301, 302, 303, 306, 307, 308, 318, or 405 of the Act and who knows at that time that he is placing another person in imminent danger of death or serious bodily injury is subject to a fine of not more than \$250,000, or by

imprisonment for 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 CWA, 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 knowingly makes any false material statement, representation, or certification in any application, record, report, plan, or other document filed or required to be maintained under the Act or who knowingly falsifies, tampers with, or renders inaccurate, any monitoring device or method required to be maintained under the Act, shall upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than \$10,000, or by imprisonment for not more than 2 years, or by both. If a conviction of a person is for a violation committed after a first conviction of such person under this paragraph, punishment shall be by a fine of not more than \$20,000 per day of violation, or by imprisonment of not more than 4 years, or by both. (See Section 309.c.4 of the Clean Water Act)

### 2. CIVIL PENALTIES

The Act provides that any person who violates a permit condition implementing Sections 301, 302, 306, 307, 308, 318, or 405 of the Act is subject to a civil penalty not to exceed \$37,500 per day for each violation.

### 3. ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTIES

The Act provides that any person who violates a permit condition implementing Sections 301, 302, 306, 307, 308, 318, or 405 of the Act is subject to an administrative penalty, as follows:

### a. CLASS I PENALTY

Not to exceed \$16,000 per violation nor shall the maximum amount exceed \$37,500.

### b. CLASS II PENALTY

Not to exceed \$16,000 per day for each day during which the violation continues nor shall the maximum amount exceed \$177,500.

### F. DEFINITIONS

All definitions contained in Section 502 of the Act shall apply to this permit and are incorporated herein by reference. Unless otherwise specified in this permit, additional definitions of words or phrases used in this permit are as follows:

- 1. ACT means the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1251 et. seq.), as amended.
- 2. <u>ADMINISTRATOR</u> means the Administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.
- 3. <u>APPLICABLE EFFLUENT STANDARDS AND LIMITATIONS</u> means all state and Federal effluent standards and limitations to which a discharge is subject under the Act, including, but not limited to, effluent limitations, standards or performance, toxic effluent standards and prohibitions, and pretreatment standards.
- 4. <u>APPLICABLE WATER QUALITY STANDARDS</u> means all water quality standards to which a discharge is subject under the Act.
- 5. <u>BYPASS</u> means the intentional diversion of waste streams from any portion of a treatment facility.
- 6. <u>DAILY DISCHARGE</u> 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 terms of mass, the "daily discharge" is calculated as the total mass of the pollutant discharged over the sampling 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 sampling day. "Daily discharge" determination of concentration made using a composite sample shall be the concentration of the composite sample. When grab samples are used, the "daily discharge" determination of concentration shall be arithmetic average (weighted by flow value) of all samples collected during that sampling day.
- 7. <u>DAILY MAXIMUM</u> discharge limitation means the highest allowable "daily discharge" during the calendar month.
- 8. DIRECTOR means the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Regional Administrator or an authorized

representative.

- 9. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY means the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.
- 10. GRAB SAMPLE means an individual sample collected in less than 15 minutes.
- 11. <u>INDUSTRIAL USER</u> means a non-domestic discharger, as identified in 40 CFR 403, introducing pollutants to a publicly owned treatment works.
- 12. MONTHLY AVERAGE (also known as DAILY AVERAGE) discharge limitations means the highest allowable average of "daily discharge(s)" over a calendar month, calculated as the sum of all "daily discharge(s)" measured during a calendar month divided by the number of "daily discharge(s)" measured during that month. When the permit establishes daily average concentration effluent limitations or conditions, the daily average concentration means the arithmetic average (weighted by flow) of all "daily discharge(s)" of concentration determined during the calendar month where C = daily concentration, F = daily flow, and n = number of daily samples; daily average discharge =

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- 13. <u>NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM</u> means the national program for issuing, modifying, revoking and reissuing, terminating, monitoring and enforcing permits, and imposing and enforcing pretreatment requirements, under Sections 307, 318, 402, and 405 of the Act.
- 14. <u>SEVERE PROPERTY DAMAGE</u> 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.
- 15. <u>SEWAGE SLUDGE</u> means the solids, residues, and precipitates separated from or created in sewage by the unit processes of a publicly owned treatment works. Sewage as used in this definition means any wastes, including wastes from humans, households, commercial establishments, industries, and storm water runoff that are discharged to or otherwise enter a publicly owned treatment works.
- 16. TREATMENT WORKS means any devices and systems used in the storage, treatment, recycling and reclamation of municipal sewage and industrial wastes of a liquid nature to implement Section 201 of the Act, or necessary to recycle or reuse water at the most economical cost over the estimated life of the works, including intercepting sewers, sewage collection systems, pumping, power and other equipment, and their appurtenances, extension, improvement, remodeling, additions, and alterations thereof.
- 17. <u>UPSET</u> 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.
- 18. <u>FOR FECAL COLIFORM BACTERIA</u>, a sample consists of one effluent grab portion collected during a 24-hour period at peak loads.
- 19. The term "MGD" shall mean million gallons per day.
- 20. The term "mg/L" shall mean milligrams per liter or parts per million (ppm).
- 21. The term "ug/L" shall mean micrograms per liter or parts per billion (ppb).
- 22. MUNICIPAL TERMS
  - a. <u>7-DAY AVERAGE</u> or <u>WEEKLY AVERAGE</u>, other than for fecal coliform bacteria, is the arithmetic mean of the daily values for all effluent samples collected during a calendar week, calculated as the sum of all daily discharges measured during a calendar week divided by the number of daily discharges measured during that week. The 7-day average for fecal coliform bacteria is the geometric mean of the values for all effluent samples collected during a calendar week.

- b. <u>30-DAY AVERAGE</u> or <u>MONTHLY AVERAGE</u>, other than for fecal coliform bacteria, is the arithmetic mean of the daily values for all effluent samples collected during a calendar month, calculated as the sum of all daily discharges measured during a calendar month divided by the number of daily discharges measured during that month. The 30-day average for fecal coliform bacteria is the geometric mean of the values for all effluent samples collected during a calendar month.
- c. <u>24-HOUR COMPOSITE SAMPLE</u> consists of a minimum of 12 effluent portions collected at equal time intervals over the 24-hour period and combined proportional to flow or a sample collected at frequent intervals proportional to flow over the 24-hour period.
- d. <u>12-HOUR COMPOSITE SAMPLE</u> consists of 12 effluent portions collected no closer together than one hour and composited according to flow. The daily sampling intervals shall include the highest flow periods.
- e. <u>6-HOUR COMPOSITE SAMPLE</u> consists of six effluent portions collected no closer together than one hour (with the first portion collected no earlier than 10:00 a.m.) and composited according to flow.

<u>3-HOUR COMPOSITE SAMPLE</u> consists of three effluent portions collected no closer together than one hour (with the first portion collected no earlier than 10:00 a.m.) and composited according