



DEPARTMENT ORDER

IN THE MATTER OF

SUNOCO MIDSTREAM LLC)	MAINE POLLUTANT DISCHARGE
S. PORTLAND, CUMBERLAND COUNTY, ME)	ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT
BULK FUEL STORAGE FACILITY)	AND
#ME0022314)	WASTE DISCHARGE LICENSE
#W000737-5S-N-R)	RENEWAL
APPROVAL)	

In compliance with the applicable provisions of *Pollution Control*, 38 M.R.S. §§ 411 – 424-, *Water Classification Program*, 38 M.R.S. §§ 464 – 470 and *Federal Water Pollution Control Act*, Title 33 U.S.C. § 1251, and applicable rules of the Department of Environmental Protection (Department) has considered the application of SUNOCO (permittee) with its supportive data, agency review comments, and other related materials on file and FINDS THE FOLLOWING FACTS:

APPLICATION SUMMARY

On November 7, 2024, the Department accepted as complete for processing an application for the renewal of Waste Discharge License (WDL) W000737-5S-K-R/ Maine Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (MEPDES) Permit #ME0022314 which was issued on December 16, 2019 for a five-year term. The permit was transferred from Gulf Oil Limited Partnership to Portland Terminals, LLC on July 29, 2024, under WDL #W000737-5S-L-T and again to Sunoco Midstream, LLC on January 14, 2025, under WDL #W000737-5S-M-T.

The 12/16/19 permit and subsequent transfers authorized the discharge of hydrostatic test wastewater from Outfall #002AA from a bulk fuel storage and transfer facility to the Fore River, Class SC, in South Portland, Maine. The Department has determined that outfalls carrying stormwater runoff are covered under the Multi Sector General Permit for Stormwater Associated with an Industrial Activity. This permit only authorizes discharges of hydrostatic test waters.

PERMIT SUMMARY

This permit carries forward all the terms and conditions of the previous permit/

CONCLUSIONS

BASED on the findings summarized in the attached PROPOSED DRAFT Fact Sheet dated January 23, 2026, and subject to the special conditions that follow, the Department makes the following CONCLUSIONS:

1. The discharge, either by itself or in combination with other discharges, will not lower the quality of any classified body of water below such classification.
2. The discharge, either by itself or in combination with other discharges, will not lower the quality of any unclassified body of water below the classification which the Department expects to adopt in accordance with state law.
3. The provisions of the State's antidegradation policy, *Classification of Maine Waters*, 38 M.R.S. §464(4)(F), will be met, in that:
 - (a) Existing in-stream water uses and the level of water quality necessary to protect and maintain those existing uses will be maintained and protected.
 - (b) Where high quality waters of the State constitute an outstanding national resource, that water quality will be maintained and protected.
 - (c) Where the standards of classification of the receiving water body are not met, the discharge will not cause or contribute to the failure of the water body to meet the standards of classification.
 - (d) Where the actual quality of any classified receiving water body exceeds the minimum standards of the next highest classification that higher water quality will be maintained and protected; and
 - (e) Where a discharge will result in lowering the existing water quality of any water body, the Department has made the finding, following opportunity for public participation, that this action is necessary to achieve important economic or social benefits to the State.
4. The discharge will be subject to effluent limitations that require application of best practicable treatment as defined in *Conditions of Licenses*, 38 M.R.S. § 414-A(1)(D).

ACTION

Based on the findings and conclusions as stated above, the Department APPROVES the above noted application of SUNOCO MIDSTREAM LLC to discharge a maximum of 6.3 million gallons (MG) per discharge of hydrostatic test wastewater from Outfall #002AA from a bulk fuel storage and transfer facility to the Fore River, Class SC, in South Portland, Maine, SUBJECT TO THE ATTACHED CONDITIONS, and all applicable standards and regulations including:

1. *Maine Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit Standard Conditions Applicable to All Permits,*” revised July 1, 2002, copy attached.
2. The attached Special Conditions, including effluent limitations and monitoring requirements.
3. This permit and the authorization to discharge become effective upon the date of signature below and expires at midnight five (5) years from the effective date. If a renewal application is timely submitted and accepted as complete for processing prior to the expiration of this permit, the authorization to discharge and the terms and conditions of this permit and all modifications and minor revisions thereto remain in effect until a final Department decision on the renewal application becomes effective. [*Maine Administrative Procedure Act, 5 M.R.S. § 10002 and Rules Concerning the Processing of Applications and Other Administrative Matters, 06-096 CMR ch. 2(20)(A) (September 15, 2024)*]

PLEASE NOTE ATTACHED SHEET FOR GUIDANCE ON APPEAL PROCEDURES

DONE AND DATED AT AUGUSTA, MAINE, THIS ____ DAY OF _____ 2026.

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

BY: _____
For MELANIE LOYZIM, Commissioner

PLEASE NOTE ATTACHED SHEET FOR GUIDANCE ON APPEAL PROCEDURES

Date of initial receipt of application _____ November 6, 2024.

Date of application acceptance _____ November 7, 2024.

This Order prepared by Rod Robert Bureau of Water Quality

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

A. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS

1. The permittee is authorized to discharge **hydrostatic test wastewater from Outfall #002A (when hydrostatic test wastewater is being discharged)** to the Fore River at South Portland. Such discharges are limited and must be monitored by the permittee as specified below:

OUTFALL #002A – Hydrostatic test wastewater⁽¹⁾

Effluent Characteristic	Discharge Limitations		Minimum Monitoring Requirements	
	Monthly Average	Daily Maximum	Measurement Frequency	Sample Type
Flow ⁽²⁾ <i>[50050]</i>	---	6.3 MG <i>[03]</i>	1/Discharge <i>[01/DS]</i>	Measure <i>[MS]</i>
Total Suspended Solids <i>[00530]</i>	---	50 mg/L <i>[19]</i>	1/Discharge <i>[01/DS]</i>	Grab <i>[GR]</i>
Oil & Grease <i>[00552]</i>	---	15 mg/L <i>[19]</i>	1/Discharge <i>[01/DS]</i>	Grab <i>[GR]</i>
Total Chlorine Residual ⁽³⁾ <i>[50060]</i>	---	0.013 mg/L <i>[28]</i>	1/Discharge <i>[01/DS]</i>	Grab <i>[GR]</i>

The italicized numeric values bracketed in the table and in subsequent text are code numbers that Department personnel utilize to code the monthly Discharge Monitoring Reports.

FOOTNOTES: See Pages 5 through 6 of this permit for applicable footnotes.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

A. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS (cont'd)

FOOTNOTES

Sampling Locations: Discharges from Outfall #002A must be sampled independently, prior to co-mingling with any other waste stream(s).

Outfall #002A (hydrostatic test wastewaters) samples for all parameters must be collected from the tank or piping prior to discharge to the receiving waters.

1. Sampling – Sampling - Any change in sampling location must be approved by the Department in writing. The permittee must conduct sampling and analysis in accordance with; a) methods approved by 40 Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R.) Part 136, b) alternative methods approved by the Department in accordance with the procedures in 40 C.F.R. Part 136, or c) as otherwise specified by the Department. Samples that are sent out for analysis must be analyzed by a laboratory certified by the State of Maine's Department of Health and Human Services for wastewater. Samples that are sent to a POTW pursuant to Waste discharge licenses, 38 M.R.S. § 413 are subject to the provisions and restrictions of Maine Comprehensive and Limited Environmental Laboratory Certification Rules, 10-144 C.M.R. Ch. 263 (amended March 15, 2023). Laboratory facilities that analyze compliance samples in-house are subject to the provisions and restrictions of 10 – 144 C.M.R. Ch. 263. If the permittee monitors any pollutant more frequently than required by the license using test procedures approved under 40 C.F.R. Part 136 or as specified in this license, the results of this monitoring must be included in the calculation and reporting of the data submitted in the discharge monitoring report (DMR).

In accordance with 40 C.F.R. § 122.44(i)(1)(iv), the permittee must monitor according to sufficiently sensitive test procedures (i.e., methods) approved under 40 C.F.R. Part 136 or required under 40 C.F.R. chapter I, subchapter N or O, for the analysis of pollutants or pollutant parameters (except WET). A method is “sufficiently sensitive” when: 1) The method minimum level (ML) is at or below the level of the effluent limitation established in the permit for the measured pollutant or pollutant parameter; or 2) The method has the lowest ML of the analytical methods approved under 40 C.F.R. Part 136 or required under 40 C.F.R. chapter I, subchapter N or O for the measured pollutant or pollutant parameter. The term “minimum level” refers either to the sample concentration equivalent to the lowest calibration point in a method or a multiple of the method detection limit (MDL), whichever is higher. Minimum levels may be obtained in the following ways: they may be published in a method; they may be based on the lowest acceptable calibration point used by a laboratory; or they may be calculated by multiplying the MDL in a method, or the MDL determined by a laboratory, by a factor.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

A. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS (cont'd)

FOOTNOTES

2. Flow – The flow through the oil/water separator must consist of hydrostatic test waters discharged through Outfall #002A. The direct or indirect discharge of liquids from petroleum product pipelines, transport tanks, vessels or storage tanks through the oil/water separator is not authorized by this permit except as specified for Outfall #002A. No chemical treatment such as dispersants, emulsifiers or surfactants may be added to the oil/water separator or any wastewater discharge stream contributing flow to the separator.

At no time must the flow through the oil/water separator exceed the design flow of the separator (325 gpm). Flow measurement devices or calculated flow estimates via pump curves or tank volumes or other methods must be approved by the Department. Measurement of flow may be suspended upon approval from the Department in the event the permittee limits flow to the separator by installing a permanent constriction to prevent flows from exceeding the design capacity of the separator. The installation, replacement or modification of any flow measurement or constriction device requires prior approval by the Department.

3. Total residual chlorine (TRC) – The permittee must utilize a USEPA-approved test method capable of bracketing the TRC limitations specified in this permitting action. Compliance with the daily maximum limitation will be based on USEPA's current minimum level (ML) of detection of 20 µg/L (0.02 mg/L). All analytical test results must be reported to the Department including results which are detected below the ML.

B. NARRATIVE EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS

1. The permittee must not discharge effluent that contains a visible oil sheen, foam or floating solids at any time which would impair the uses designated for the classification of the receiving waters.
2. The permittee must not discharge effluent that contains materials in concentrations or combinations which are hazardous or toxic to aquatic life, or which would impair the uses designated for the classification of the receiving waters.
3. The permittee must not discharge effluent that imparts color, taste, turbidity, toxicity, radioactivity or other properties which cause those waters to be unsuitable for the designated uses and characteristics ascribed to their classification.
4. The permittee must not discharge effluent that lowers the quality of any classified body of water below such classification or lowers the existing quality of any body of water if the existing quality is higher than the classification.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

C. HYDROSTATIC TEST WASTEWATER

Tanks and pipes being hydrostatically tested must be clean of product and all construction debris, including sandblasting grit, prior to testing and discharge through Outfall #002A. The discharge must be dechlorinated if test results indicate that discharged waters will violate permit limits. **The permittee must notify the Department of an intended discharge of hydrostatic test wastewater at least three business days prior to the discharge.**

D. AUTHORIZED DISCHARGES

The permittee is authorized to discharge only in accordance with 1) the permittee's General Application for Waste Discharge Permit, accepted for processing on November 7, 2024; 2) the terms and conditions of this permit; and 3) only from Outfall #002A (a single point source outfall). Discharges of wastewater from any other point source are not authorized under this permit and must be reported in accordance with Standard Condition D(f)(1), *Twenty-Four-Hour Reporting*, of this permit.

E. MONITORING AND REPORTING

Electronic Reporting

NPDES Electronic Reporting, 40 C.F.R. 127, requires MEPDES permit holders to submit monitoring results obtained during the previous month on an electronic discharge monitoring report to the regulatory agency utilizing the USEPA electronic system.

Electronic DMRs submitted using the USEPA NetDMR system, must be:

1. Submitted by a facility authorized signatory; and
2. Submitted no later than **midnight on the 15th day of the month** following the completed reporting period.

Documentation submitted in support of the electronic DMR may be attached to the electronic DMR. Toxics reporting must be done using the Department toxsheet reporting form. An electronic copy of the Toxsheet reporting document must be submitted to your Department compliance inspector as an attachment to an email. Documentation submitted electronically to the Department in support of the electronic DMR must be submitted no later than midnight on the 15th day of the month following the completed reporting period.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

F. NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENT

In accordance with Standard Condition D, the permittee must notify the Department of the following:

1. Any substantial change in the volume or character of pollutants being introduced into the wastewater collection and treatment system by a source introducing pollutants to the system at the time of permit issuance
2. For the purposes of this section, notice regarding substantial change must include information on:
 - (a) the quality and quantity of wastewater introduced to the wastewater collection and treatment system; and
 - (b) any anticipated impact caused by the change in the quantity or quality of the wastewater to be discharged from the treatment system.

G. REOPENING OF PERMIT FOR MODIFICATIONS

In accordance with *Conditions of Licenses*, 38 M.R.S. § 414-A(5) and upon evaluation of the tests results or monitoring requirements specified in Special Conditions of this permitting action, new site specific information, or any other pertinent test results or information obtained during the term of this permit, the Department may, at any time and with notice to the permittee, modify this permit to: 1) include effluent limits necessary to control specific pollutants or whole effluent toxicity where there is a reasonable potential that the effluent may cause water quality criteria to be exceeded, (2) require additional monitoring if results on file are inconclusive; or (3) change monitoring requirements or limitations based on new information.

H. SEVERABILITY

In the event that any provision(s), or part thereof, of this permit is declared to be unlawful by a reviewing court, the remainder of the permit will remain in full force and effect and will be construed and enforced in all respects as if such unlawful provision, or part thereof, had been omitted, unless otherwise ordered by the court.

**MAINE POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT
AND
MAINE WASTE DISCHARGE LICENSE**

FACT SHEET

DATE: **JANUARY 23, 2026**

PERMIT NUMBER: **#ME0022314**

WASTE DISCHARGE LICENSE: **#W000737-5S-N-R**

NAME AND ADDRESS OF APPLICANT:

**SUNOCO
80 WILLIAM ST. SUITE 400
WELLESLEY HILLS MA 02481**

NAME AND ADDRESS WHERE DISCHARGE(S) OCCUR(S):

**SUNOCO MIDSTREAM LLC
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SOUTH PORTLAND, ME 04106**

COUNTY: **CUMBERLAND**

RECEIVING WATER CLASSIFICATION: **FORE RIVER, CLASS SC**

COGNIZANT OFFICIAL CONTACT INFORMATION:

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1. APPLICATION SUMMARY

Application: On November 7, 2024, the Department accepted as complete for processing an application for the renewal of Waste Discharge License (WDL) W000737-5S-K-R/ Maine Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (MEPDES) Permit #ME0022314 which was issued on December 16, 2019 for a five-year term. The permit was transferred from Gulf Oil Limited Partnership to Portland Terminals, LLC on July 29, 2024, under WDL #W000737-5S-L-T and again to Sunoco Midstream, LLC on January 14, 2025, under WDL #W000737-5S-M-T.

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2. PERMIT SUMMARY

- a. Terms and Conditions: This permit carries forward all the terms and conditions of the previous permit.
- b. History: The most current relevant regulatory actions and significant events include the following:

June 2, 2000 – The Department issued a permit renewal of MEPDES permit/WDL #ME0022314/#W000737-5S-G-R to Gulf Oil Limited Partnership for a five-year term.

January 12, 2001 – The State of Maine received authorization from the USEPA to administer the NPDES permitting program in Maine. From this date forward, the program has been referred to as the MEPDES permit program, and MEPDES permit #ME0000485 has been utilized for this facility. On March 26, 2011, the USEPA authorized the Department to administer the MEPDES program in Indian territories of the Penobscot Nation and Passamaquoddy Tribe.

December 6, 2004 – The Department issued MEPDES permit/WDL #ME0022314/#W000737-5S-H-R to Gulf Oil Limited Partnership for a five-year term.

October 16, 2009 – The Department issued MEPDES permit/WDL #ME0022314/#W000737-5S-H-R to Gulf Oil Limited Partnership for a five-year term.

August 15, 2014 – Gulf Oil Limited Partnership submitted a timely and complete General Application for the renewal of the October 16, 2009, MEPDES permit. The application was accepted for processing on August 19, 2014, and was assigned MEPDES #ME0022314/ WDL #W000737-5S-J-R.

December 18, 2014 – The Department issued MEPDES permit/WDL #ME0022314/#W000737-5S-J-R to Gulf Oil Limited Partnership for a five-year term.

June 19, 2019 – Gulf Oil Limited Partnership submitted a timely and complete General Application for the renewal of the December 18, 2014, MEPDES permit. The application was accepted for processing on June 27, 2019, and was assigned MEPDES #ME0022314/ WDL #W000737-5S-K-R.

December 16, 2019 – The Department issued MEPDES permit/WDL #ME0022314/#W000737-5S-K-R to Gulf Oil Limited Partnership for a five-year term.

July 29, 2024 – The Department issued a transfer of MEPDES permit/WDL #ME0022314/#W000737-5S-K-R from Gulf Oil Limited Partnership to Portland Terminals, LLC. The transfer was assigned as #W000737-5S-L-T.

2. PERMIT SUMMARY (cont'd)

November 6, 2024 – Portland Terminals, LLC submitted a timely and complete General Application for the renewal of the December 16, 2019, MEPDES permit. The application was accepted for processing on November 7, 2024, and was assigned MEPDES #ME0022314/ WDL #W000737-5S-M-R.

January 14, 2025 – The Department issued a transfer of MEPDES permit/WDL #ME0022314/#W000737-5S-K-R from Portland Terminals, LLC. to Sunoco Midstream LLC The transfer was assigned as #W000737-5S-M-T.

- c. Source Description: The permittee is engaged in the transfer (ship-to-shore), storage and distribution of refined petroleum products such as gasoline, ethanol, jet fuel and home heating oil. The site encompasses approximately 11.3 acres of which approximately 2.9 acres are impervious area. The site has nine (9) above-ground storage tanks having a gross capacity of approximately 767,950 barrels (32,254,000 gallons). In addition to tankage, there is an extensive above-ground and below-ground network of piping. There is a marine docking facility to transfer products from ships and or barges to the shore and a loading rack area where product from the storage tanks is transferred to tanker trucks to be distributed to local fuel oil dealers and gasoline stations for distribution to the public.

Each of the storage tanks is enclosed in an unlined area of earthen dikes or concrete walls. The diked areas are designed to contain the contents of the enclosed tanks plus an additional volume to contain any extinguishment chemicals or water and precipitation. The dikes are required by the City of South Portland for safety to prevent products from spilling from one tank area to another or directly into a receiving waterbody, provide temporary containment in the event of a tank failure and isolate tanks in the event of a major fire in a tank. The remainder of the site consists of an office building, a warehouse complex and a truck loading rack area.

Hydrostatic test wastewater is municipal water used to test the integrity of the permittee's structural components (tanks, pipes). The tanks are washed and cleaned in preparation for repair and hydrostatic testing, this wash water is tank trucked to an-approved facility for product reclamation and wastewater treatment. The permittee's largest tank would discharge approximately 6.3 million gallons of test water over a period of several days. The new pipe assemblies are hydrostatically tested prior to connecting to the existing product piping; therefore, the pipes do not come into contact with product prior to hydrostatic testing. This permit carries forward approval of the discharge of hydrostatic testing water from tanks to Outfall #002A.

Sanitary wastewater generated by employees at the facility are conveyed to the City of South Portland's wastewater treatment facility which is also regulated by this Department via a MEPDES permit.

2. PERMIT SUMMARY (cont'd)

d. Wastewater Treatment:

This permit does not require further treatment of the hydrostatic testing wastewater unless dechlorination is required to protect water quality.

All waste streams described above are discharged to the Fore River through a common outfall pipe measuring six (6) inches in diameter and is exposed at mean low water. See **Attachment B** of this Fact Sheet for a site plan of the facility.

3. CONDITIONS OF PERMITS

Conditions of licenses, 38 M.R.S. § 414-A, requires that the effluent limitations prescribed for discharges, including, but not limited to, effluent toxicity, require the application of best practicable treatment (BPT), be consistent with the U.S. Clean Water Act, and ensure that the receiving waters attain the State water quality standards as described in Maine's Surface Water Classification System. In addition, *Certain deposits and discharges prohibited*, 38 M.R.S. § 420 and Department rule *Surface Water Toxics Control Program*, 06-096 CMR Ch. 530 (effective March 21, 2012), require the regulation of toxic substances not to exceed levels set forth in *Surface Water Quality Criteria for Toxic Pollutants*, 06-096 CMR Ch. 584 (effective February 16, 2020), and that ensure safe levels for the discharge of toxic pollutants such that existing and designated uses of surface waters are maintained and protected.

4. RECEIVING WATER QUALITY STANDARDS

Classification of estuarine and marine waters, 38 M.R.S. § 469(F) classifies the Fore River as a Class SC waterway. *Standards for classification of estuarine and marine waters*, 38 M.R.S. § 465-B (3) describes the classification standards for Class SC waters as follows:

3. *Class SC waters. Class SC waters shall be the 3rd highest classification.*

A. Class SC waters must be of such quality that they are suitable for recreation in and on the water, fishing, aquaculture, propagation and restricted harvesting of shellfish, industrial process and cooling water supply, hydroelectric power generation, navigation and as a habitat for fish and other estuarine and marine life.

B. Class SC waters must be of sufficient quality to support all species of fish indigenous to those waters and to maintain the structure and function of the resident biological community. The dissolved oxygen content of Class SC waters may not be less than 70% of saturation. Between April 15th and October 31st, the number of enterococcus bacteria in these waters may not exceed a geometric mean of 14 CFU or MPN per 100 milliliters in any 90-day interval or 94 CFU or MPN per 100 milliliters in more than 10% of the samples in any 90-day interval. The number of total coliform bacteria or other specified indicator organisms in samples representative of the waters in restricted shellfish harvesting areas may not exceed the criteria recommended under the National Shellfish Sanitation Program, United States Food and Drug Administration as set forth in its publication "Guide for the Control of Molluscan Shellfish" (2019 revision) or any successor publication.

5. RECEIVING WATER QUALITY STANDARDS (cont'd)

C. Discharges to Class SC waters may cause some changes to estuarine and marine life provided that the receiving waters are of sufficient quality to support all species of fish indigenous to the receiving waters and maintain the structure and function of the resident biological community.

5. RECEIVING WATER QUALITY CONDITIONS

The State of Maine Department of Environmental Protection 2018/2020/2022 Integrated Water Quality Monitoring and Assessment Report, prepared by the Department pursuant to Sections 303(d) and 305(b) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, lists the Fore River Estuary in South Portland as Assessment unit ID , ME010600010402_SC_WI_PE “Category 3”: Estuarine and Marine Waters with Insufficient Data or Information to Determine if Shellfish Harvesting Designated Use is Attained.

The report also lists the Fore River Estuary as “Category 5-A: Estuarine and Marine Waters Impaired by Pollutants Other Than Those Listed in 5-B Through 5-D (TMDL Required).” The Report states that aquatic life and toxics may impair “marine life use support.” The report indicates the causes of the impairment are municipal point sources, combined sewer overflows, stormwater, hazardous waste sites and nonpoint spills of all sizes. The report indicates that a total maximum daily load (TMDL) has not been scheduled at this time and that the TMDL report is listed as a medium priority.

6. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS

Discharges from activities associated with bulk petroleum stations and terminal operations must satisfy best conventional technology (BCT) and best available technology (BAT) requirements and must comply with more stringent water quality standards if BCT and BAT requirements are not adequate. It is noted that since issuance of the December 16, 2019, permit the facility has not conducted a discharge of Hydrostatic Test Wastewater

a. Hydrostatic Test Wastewater - Outfall #002A

1. Flow – For each discharge event, this permitting action is establishing a maximum limit of 6.3 million gallons which is the sum of the volume of the largest tank onsite and the maximum discharge volume from hydrostatic testing of the new piping system.

This permit carries forward the daily maximum limitation of 6.3 MGD from the previous permitting action based on the maximum flow rate the permittee anticipates from this process.

2. Total Suspended Solids (TSS) – This permit carries forward the TSS daily maximum limit of 50 mg/L that is based on a Department BPJ of limits that are achievable given the tanks and pipes that are hydrostatically tested have been washed and cleaned in preparation for repair and testing.

6. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS (cont'd)

3. Oil & Grease – This permit carries forward a daily maximum oil and grease concentration limit of 15 mg/L that is a Department BPJ of limits that are achievable given the fact that the piping and the tanks that are hydrostatically tested have been washed and cleaned in preparation for repair and testing.
4. Total residual chlorine (TRC) – This permit carries forward the daily maximum TRC limit of 0.013 mg/L (Ambient Water Quality Criteria) to ensure that Water Quality Standards (WQS) are met given the low dilution associated with the discharge. This change is also consistent with the chlorine limits the Department has issued to other bulk fuel storage facilities on the Fore River.

Compliance with the daily maximum TRC limitation is based on USEPA's current minimum level (ML) of detection of 20 ug/L (0.02 mg/L).

It is noted the quarterly Discharge Monitoring Reports (DMRs) are coded with the numeric value of 0.02 mg/L such that detectable results reported below the ML will not be considered a violation of the permit.

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public notice of this application was made in the *Portland Press Herald* on or about October 31, 2024. The Department receives public comments on an application until the date a final agency action is taken on that application. Those persons receiving copies of draft permits must have at least 30 days in which to submit comments on the draft or to request a public hearing, pursuant to *Application Processing Procedures for Waste Discharge Licenses*, 06-096 CMR Ch.522 (effective January 12, 2001).

8. DEPARTMENT CONTACTS

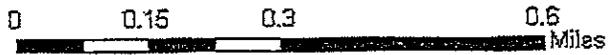
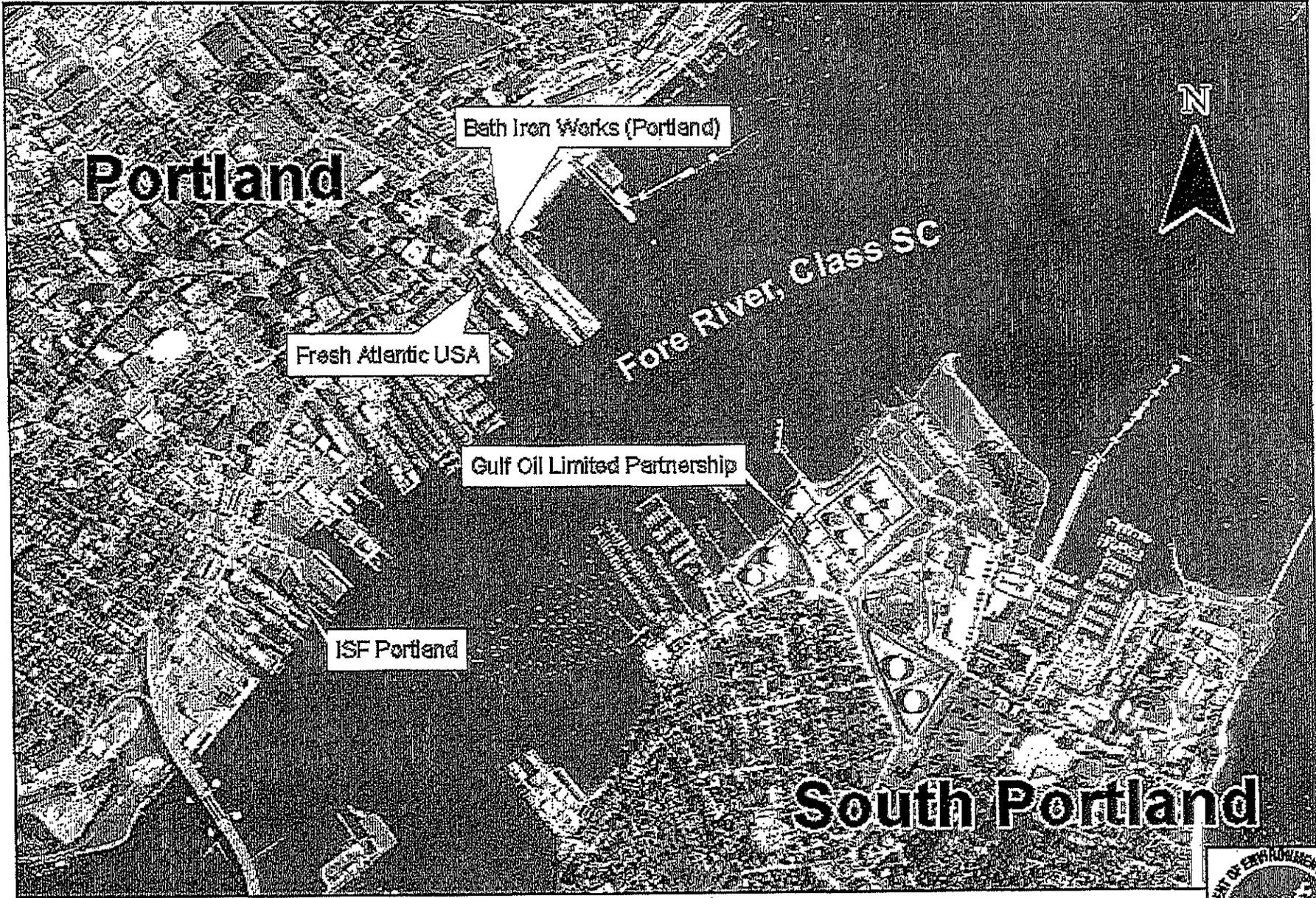
Additional information concerning this permitting action may be obtained from and written comments should be sent to:

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9. RESPONSE TO COMMENTS

Reserved until the end of the formal thirty-day comment period

ATTACHMENT A



Gulf Oil Limited Partnership, South Portland, Maine

Map created by Maine DEP
August 28, 2014



ATTACHMENT B

