

**National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit
issued to**

Permittee:

Pfizer Inc
445 Eastern Point Road
Groton, CT 06340

Permit ID: CT0000957

Receiving Water Body: Thames River

Receiving Water Body ID: CT-E1_014-SB

Location Address:

Pfizer Inc
445 Eastern Point Road
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Issuance Date: Date of Signature

Effective Date: 1st of the month after

Issuance Date

Permit Expires: 5 years from effective date

SECTION 1: GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 1.1 This permit is reissued in accordance with Section 22a-430 of Chapter 446k, Connecticut General Statutes (“Conn. Gen. Stat.”), and Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies (“Regs. Conn. State Agencies”) adopted thereunder, as amended, and Section 402(b) of the Clean Water Act (“CWA”), as amended, 33 USC 1251, *et. seq.*, and pursuant to an approval dated September 26, 1973, by the Administrator of the United States Environmental Protection Agency for the State of Connecticut to administer a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (“NPDES”) permit program.
- 1.2 **Pfizer Inc** (“Permittee”) shall comply with all conditions of this permit including the following sections of the Regs. Conn. State Agencies which have been adopted pursuant to Section 22a-430 of the Conn. Gen. Stat. and are hereby incorporated into this permit. Your attention is especially drawn to the notification requirements of subsections (i)(2), (i)(3), (j)(1), (j)(6), (j)(8), (j)(9)(C), (j)(10)(C), (j)(11)(C), (D), (E), and (F), (k)(3) and (4) and (l)(2) of Section 22a-430-3.

Section 22a-430-3: General Conditions

- (a) Definitions
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- (e) Duty to Comply
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- (j) Monitoring, Records and Reporting Requirements
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Section 22a-430-4: Procedures and Criteria

- (a) Duty to Apply
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- (c) Application Requirements
- (d) Preliminary Review
- (e) Tentative Determination
- (f) Draft Permits, Fact Sheets
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- (k) Submission of Plans and Specifications, Approval
- (l) Establishing Effluent Limitations and Conditions
- (m) Case by Case Determinations
- (n) Permit Issuance or Renewal
- (o) Permit Transfer
- (p) Permit Revocation, Denial or Modification
- (q) Variances
- (s) Treatment Requirements

1.3 Violations of any of the terms, conditions, or limitations contained in this permit may subject the Permittee to enforcement action including, but not limited to, seeking penalties, injunctions and/or forfeitures pursuant to applicable sections of the Conn. Gen. Stat. and Regs. Conn. State Agencies.

1.4 Any false statement in any information submitted pursuant to this permit may be punishable as a criminal offense under Section 22a-438 or 22a-131a of the Conn. Gen. Stat. or in accordance with Section 22a-6, under Section 53a-157b of the Conn. Gen. Stat.

1.5 The authorization to discharge under this permit may not be transferred without prior written approval of the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection (“Commissioner”). To request such approval, the Permittee and proposed transferee shall register such proposed transfer with the Commissioner, at least thirty (30) days prior to the transferee becoming legally responsible for creating or maintaining any discharge which is the subject of the permit transfer. Failure, by the transferee, to obtain the Commissioner's approval prior to commencing such discharge(s) may subject the transferee to enforcement action for discharging without a permit pursuant to applicable sections of the Conn. Gen. Stat. and Regs. Conn. State Agencies.

1.6 No provision of this permit and no action or inaction by the Commissioner shall be construed to constitute an assurance by the Commissioner that the actions taken by the Permittee pursuant to this permit will result in compliance or prevent or abate pollution.

1.7 Nothing in this permit shall relieve the Permittee of other obligations under applicable federal, state and local law.

1.8 An annual fee shall be paid for each year this permit is in effect as set forth in Section 22a-430-7 of the Regs. Conn. State Agencies.

1.9 The Permittee shall operate and maintain its collection and treatment system in accordance with its Operation and Maintenance Plan and with any approvals issued in accordance with Regs. Conn. State Agencies Section 22a-430-3(i)(3).

1.10 The Permittee shall implement its Spill Prevention and Control Plan in accordance with Regs. Conn. State Agencies Section 22a-430-3(p) and 22a-430-4(c)(10). The plan shall include practices, procedures and facilities designed to prevent, minimize and control spills, leaks or such other unplanned releases of all toxic or hazardous substances and any other substances to prevent pollution of the waters of the state. Such requirements shall, unless otherwise allowed by the Commissioner, apply to all facilities used for storing, handling, transferring, loading or unloading such substances, including manufacturing areas. The Permittee shall revise and maintain the Spill Prevention and Control Plan upon the Commissioner's request or to

address equipment or operational changes.

SECTION 2: DEFINITIONS

2.1 The definitions of the terms used in this permit shall be the same as the definitions contained in Section 22a-423 of the Conn. Gen. Stat. and Section 22a-430-3(a) and 22a-430-6 of the Regs. Conn. State Agencies.

2.2 In addition to the above, the following definitions shall apply to this permit:

“40 CFR” means Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

“Annually” when used as a sampling frequency in Section 5 of this permit, means that sampling is required in the month of August.

“Average Monthly Limit” means the maximum allowable “Average Monthly Concentration” as defined in Section 22a-430-3(a) of the Regs. Conn. State Agencies when expressed as a concentration (e.g., mg/l). Otherwise, it means “Average Monthly Discharge Limitation” as defined in Section 22a-430-3(a) of the Regs. Conn. State Agencies.

Connecticut Water Quality Standards means the regulations adopted under Regs. Conn. State Agencies Sections 22a-426-1 through 22a-426-9, as amended.

“Daily Concentration” means the concentration of a substance as measured in a daily composite sample, or the arithmetic average of all grab sample results defining a grab sample average.

“Daily Quantity” means the quantity of waste discharged during an operating day.

“DMR” means Discharge Monitoring Report.

“IC” means “Inhibition Concentration”.

“IC₂₅” means a point estimate of the toxicant concentration that would cause a twenty-five (25) percent reduction in a non-lethal biological measurement of the test organism, such as reproduction or growth.

“Instantaneous Limit” means the highest allowable concentration of a substance as measured by a grab sample, or the highest allowable measurement of a parameter as obtained through instantaneous monitoring.

“In-stream Waste Concentration” (IWC) means the concentration (as a percent) of the effluent in the receiving water after mixing has occurred in the allocated zone of influence. It is the inverse of the dilution factor.

“LC” means Lethal Concentration

“LC₅₀” means the concentration lethal to fifty (50) percent of the test organisms during a specific period.

“Lowest Observed Effect Concentration” (LOEC) means the lowest concentration of an effluent or toxicant to which organisms are exposed in a life cycle or partial life-cycle test, which causes adverse effects on the test organisms.

“Maximum Daily Limit” means the maximum allowable “Daily Concentration” (defined above) when expressed as a concentration (e.g., mg/l). Otherwise, it means the maximum allowable “Daily Quantity” as defined above, unless it is expressed as a flow quantity. If expressed as a flow quantity, it means “Maximum Daily Flow” as defined in Section 22a-430-3(a) of the Regs. Conn. State Agencies.

“No Observed Effect Concentration” (NOEC) means the highest concentration of an effluent or toxicant to which organisms are exposed in a life cycle or partial life-cycle test, that causes no observable adverse effects on the test organisms.

“Quarterly”, when used as a sampling frequency in this permit, means that sampling is required in the months of February, May, August, and November.

“Reporting Frequency” means the frequency at which monitoring results must be provided.

“Semi-Annually” when used as a sampling frequency in this permit, means that sampling is required in the months of February and August.

SECTION 3: COMMISSIONER'S DECISION

- 3.1 The Commissioner has issued a final determination and found that continuance of the existing discharge will not cause pollution of the waters of the state. The Commissioner's decision is based on Application No. 201814996 for permit reissuance received on November 20, 2018, and the administrative record established in the processing of that application.
- 3.2 Upon the effective date of this permit and continuing until this permit expires or is modified or revoked, the Commissioner hereby authorizes the Permittee to discharge in accordance with the terms and conditions of this permit, the information provided in Application No. 201814996, received by the Commissioner on November 20, 2018, and all modifications and approvals issued by the Commissioner or the Commissioner's authorized agent, for the discharge and/or activities authorized by, or associated with this Permit.
- 3.3 The Commissioner reserves the right to make appropriate revisions to the permit in order to establish any appropriate effluent limitations, schedules of compliance, or other provisions which may be authorized under the Federal Clean Water Act or the Conn. Gen. Stat. or regulations adopted thereunder, as amended. The permit as modified or renewed under this paragraph may also contain any other requirements of the Federal Clean Water Act or the Conn. Gen. Stat. or regulations adopted thereunder which are then applicable.
- 3.4 This permit includes a determination regarding Section 316(a) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act 33 U.S.C. § 1326(a) regarding the thermal component of the discharge, and compliance with this permit is sufficient to assure the protection and propagation of a balanced indigenous population of shellfish, fish, and wildlife in and on the receiving waters.

SECTION 4: GENERAL EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS

- 4.1 The Permittee shall assure that the surface water affected by the subject discharge shall conform to the *Connecticut Water Quality Standards*.
- 4.2 No discharge shall contain, or cause in the receiving stream, a visible oil sheen or floating solids, or cause visible discoloration or foaming in the receiving stream.
- 4.3 No discharge shall cause acute or chronic toxicity in the receiving water body beyond any zone of influence specifically allocated to that discharge in this permit.
- 4.4 The temperature of any discharge shall not increase the temperature of the receiving stream above 83 °F, or in any case, raise the temperature of the receiving stream by more than 4 °F beyond any approved thermal zone of influence. The incremental temperature increase in coastal and marine waters during the period including July, August, and September is limited to 1.5 °F beyond any approved thermal zone of influence.

SECTION 5: SPECIFIC EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS

- 5.1 The discharge is restricted by and shall be monitored in accordance with the following tables in this section. The wastewater discharge shall not exceed the effluent limitations in these tables and shall otherwise conform to the specific terms and conditions listed in the tables. The Permittee shall comply with the "Footnotes" and "Remarks" noted in the tables that follow. Such footnotes and remarks are enforceable like any other term or condition of this permit.
- 5.2 The wastewaters authorized/approved by this permit shall be collected, treated, and discharged in accordance with this permit and with any approvals issued by the Commissioner or his/her authorized agent for the discharges and activities authorized by or associated with this permit. Any wastewater discharges not expressly identified in these tables or otherwise approved to be discharged by this permit shall not be authorized by this permit.
- 5.3 All samples shall be comprised of only the wastewater described in these tables. Samples shall be collected prior to combination with receiving waters or wastewater of any other type, and after all approved treatment units, if applicable. Samples and measurements taken for the purpose of monitoring shall be representative of the monitored activity. Collection of permit-required effluent samples in any location other than the authorized location noted in this permit shall be a violation of this permit.
- 5.4 In cases where limits and sample type are specified but sampling is not required by this permit, the limits specified shall apply to all samples which may be collected and analyzed by the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection ("DEEP") personnel, the Permittee, or other parties.

Table A

Discharge Serial Number: DSN 008-1				Monitoring Location: 1 (EXTERNAL OUTFALL)													
Wastewater Description: <i>Air compressor/air dryer condensate; Air conditioning condensate; Backflow preventer & fire protection test water; Bleed off or draining of boiler & minor leaks from a boiler; Boiler blowdown; Boiler lab testing wastewater; Boiler washdown; Building maintenance wastewater; Chilled water; Cleaning of chilled water strainers & filters; Condensate polisher resin regeneration wastewater; Cooling tower blowdown/draining; Deaerator and vent stack condensate; Dewatering wastewater; Eyewash stations and miscellaneous plant sinks; Floor drain wastewater; Hydrostatic test water; Non-contact cooling water; Primary neutralization system draining; Pump seal water; Raw water tank overflow; Reverse osmosis non-permeate; Sand filter backwash; Spill containment area stormwater; Steam cleaning and power wash wastewater; Steam condensate; Stormwater; Wastewater drained from solids filter system; Water softener regeneration wastewater; West Basin cooling system strainer cleaning wastewater</i>																	
Monitoring Location Description: Basin instrument trailer on the west side of the effluent basin																	
Discharge is to: Thames River		Zone of Influence: 1,229,167 gallons per hour				Instream Waste Concentration: 1.67 %		Outfall Location: Latitude (41.33056°) and Longitude (-72.07889°)									
PARAMETER	NET DMR CODE	UNITS	FLOW/TIME BASED MONITORING				INSTANTANEOUS MONITORING			MINIMUM LEVEL ²							
			Average Monthly Limit	Maximum Daily Limit	Sample/Reporting Frequency ¹	Sample Type or Measurement to be reported	Instantaneous Limit or Required Range	Sample/Reporting Frequency	Sample Type or Measurement to be Reported								
Bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate	39100	µg/L	2.2	3.2	Monthly	Daily Composite	4.8	NR	Grab	2.2							
Bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate	39100	g/day	4.2	6.1	Monthly	Calculation	NA	NR	NA								
Biochemical Oxygen Demand, 5-day (BOD ₅)	85002	mg/L	---	---	Monthly	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA								
Chlorine, Total Residual	50060	µg/L	---	---	Quarterly	Grab Sample Average	NA	NR	NA	20							
Chromium, Total	01034	µg/L	---	---	Quarterly	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA	5							
Copper, Total	01042	µg/L	133	288	Quarterly	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA	3							
Copper, Total	01042	g/day	251	545	Quarterly	Calculation	NA	NR	NA								
Fecal coliform ³	74055	cfus/100 ml	NA	NA	NR	NA	---	Semi-Annually	Grab								
Flow Rate, Average Daily ⁴	00056	gpd	500,000	NA	Daily	Total Daily Flow	NA	NR	NA								
Flow, Maximum Daily ⁴	50047	gpd	NA	750,000	Daily	Total Daily Flow	NA	NR	NA								
Iron, Total	01045	mg/L	3.0	5.0	Quarterly	Daily Composite	7.5	NR	Grab	0.1							
Iron, Total	01045	kg/day	5.6	9.4	Quarterly	Calculation	NA	NR	NA								
Lead, Total	01051	µg/L	---	---	Quarterly	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA	1							
Nickel, Total	01067	µg/L	51.4	158	Quarterly	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA	5							
Nickel, Total	01067	g/day	97	299	Quarterly	Calculation	NA	NR	NA								
Nitrogen, Ammonia (total as N)	00610	mg/L	---	---	Monthly	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA								
Nitrogen, Kjeldahl (total as N)	00625	mg/L	---	---	Monthly	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA								
Nitrogen, Nitrate (total as N)	00620	mg/L	---	---	Monthly	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA								
Nitrogen, Nitrite (total as N)	00615	mg/L	---	---	Monthly	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA								
Nitrogen, Total (as N)	00600	lbs/day	---	---	Monthly	Calculation ⁵	NA	NR	NA								
Nitrogen, Total (Annual Loading)	51084	lbs/day	331	---	Annually ⁵	Calculation ⁵	NA	NR	NA								
Oil & Grease, Total	00556	mg/L	---	5.0	Quarterly	Grab Sample Average	7.5	NR	Grab								

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			Average Monthly Limit	Maximum Daily Limit	Sample/Reporting Frequency ¹	Sample Type or Measurement to be reported	Instantaneous Limit or Required Range	Sample/Reporting Frequency	Sample Type or Measurement to be Reported		
pH, Minimum ⁴	61942	SU	NA	NA	NR	NA	6.8	Continuous	Instantaneous		
pH, Maximum ⁴	61941	SU	NA	NA	NR	NA	8.5	Continuous	Instantaneous		
Total Suspended Solids	00530	mg/L	20.0	30.0	Monthly	Daily Composite	45.0	NR	Grab		
Total Suspended Solids	00530	kg/day	37.8	56.7	Monthly	Calculation	NA	NR	NA		
Temperature, Maximum	00011	°F	NA	NA	NR	NA	90.0	Continuous	Instantaneous		
Temperature, Difference (Sample & Upstream)	00018	°F	NA	32.1	Daily	Calculation ⁶	NA	NR	NA		
Waste Heat Rejection Rate	00179	MBtus/day	NA	---	Daily	Calculation ⁷	NA	NR	NA		
Zinc, Total	01092	µg/L	---	---	Quarterly	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA		
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TABLE FOOTNOTES AND REMARKS

Footnotes:

¹ The first entry in this column is the “Sample Frequency.” If a “Reporting Frequency” does not follow this entry, then the “Reporting Frequency” is monthly.

² Refer to Section 6.3 of this permit. The minimum levels (MLs) identified in this table represent the highest acceptable MLs that shall be achieved by the Permittee’s analytical methods. Actual MLs reported by the laboratory must be reported as a comment on the DMR. Detected concentrations less than the laboratory ML shall be reported on the DMR in accordance with Section 6.5.

³ Monitoring for fecal coliform shall be reported as follows: If less than five (5) samples are collected in a month, the maximum value in that sample set shall be reported on the DMR. If five (5) or more samples are collected in a month, the results of the geometric mean of those samples shall be reported on the DMR for that month.

⁴ For this parameter, the Permittee shall maintain at the facility a record of the Total Daily Flow and pH range for each operating day. The Permittee shall report on its DMR the “Average Daily Flow” and the “Maximum Daily Flow” and pH for each month.

⁵ Total Nitrogen concentration means the sum of the concentrations of: Ammonia Nitrogen + Organic Nitrogen + Nitrate Nitrogen + Nitrite Nitrogen. Daily Total Nitrogen means the Total Nitrogen Concentration multiplied by the daily flow volume and converted to lbs/day. The average monthly Total Nitrogen shall be reported as the sum of the Daily Total Nitrogen divided by the number of nitrogen sampling days during the month and rounded to the nearest whole number. Total Nitrogen (Annual Loading) shall be reported as the sum of the average monthly Total Nitrogen from January through December divided by 12 and rounded to the nearest whole number. Total Nitrogen (Annual Loading) shall be reported on the December DMR.

⁶ Temperature Difference (Sample & Upstream) is calculated as follows: Effluent Temperature (Maximum Daily) – Water Temperature @ NOAA Station 8461490 (Maximum Daily). The Permittee shall report the maximum value determined in a month on the DMR.

⁷ Waste Heat Rejection Rate is calculated as follows and shall be reported to 1 MBtu/day:

$$\text{Waste Heat Rejection Rate} \left(\frac{\text{BTU}s}{\text{day}} \right) = 1.0 \left(\frac{\text{BTU}s}{\text{lb } ^\circ\text{F}} \right) * \text{Flow} \left(\frac{\text{gal}}{\text{day}} \right) * 8.34 \left(\frac{\text{lbs}}{\text{gal}} \right) * \Delta T \left(^\circ\text{F} \right); \Delta T = \text{Temperature Difference (Sample & Upstream)}$$

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			Average Monthly Limit	Maximum Daily Limit	Sample/Reporting Frequency ¹	Sample Type or Measurement to be reported	Instantaneous Limit or Required Range	Sample/Reporting Frequency					
Remarks:													
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Abbreviations used for units are as follows: °F means degrees Fahrenheit; cfus/100ml means colony forming units per 100 milliliters; gpd means gallons per day; g/day means grams per day; g/L means grams per liter; lbs/day means pounds per day; MBtus/day means million British thermal units per day; mg/L means milligrams per liter; lbs/day means pounds per day; SU means Standard Units; µg/L means micrograms per liter; µMho/s means micromhos per second. Other abbreviations are as follows: NA means Not Applicable; NR means Not Reportable (unless sampling is conducted relative to Section 5.4 of this permit). If “---” is noted in the limits column in the table, this means that a limit is not specified but a value must be reported on the DMR. In calculating average concentrations, use zeros for values reported as less than the ML. “Continuous”, used in this table as a “Sample” or “Sample Type”, means monitoring that produces one or more data points in fifteen minutes or less. Supplemental data shall be provided, at a minimum, for those monitoring parameters identified on Attachment A of this permit and such data shall be submitted consistent with Section 8.1 of this permit. The supplemental data can be provided in any acceptable format as long as it contains the information identified on Attachment A. 													

Table B – Acute Toxicity Monitoring

Discharge Serial Number: DSN 008-AT								Monitoring Location Codes: Y – Acute toxicity effluent results O – Acute toxicity chemical analyses U – Salinity adjusted effluent chemical analyses							
Wastewater Description: <i>Air compressor/air dryer condensate; Air conditioning condensate; Backflow preventer & fire protection test water; Bleed off or draining of boiler & minor leaks from a boiler; Boiler blowdown; Boiler lab testing wastewater; Boiler washdown; Building maintenance wastewater; Chilled water; Cleaning of chilled water strainers & filters; Condensate polisher resin regeneration wastewater; Cooling tower blowdown/draining; Deaerator and vent stack condensate; Dewatering wastewater; Eyewash stations and miscellaneous plant sinks; Floor drain wastewater; Hydrostatic test water; Non-contact cooling water; Primary neutralization system draining; Pump seal water; Raw water tank overflow; Reverse osmosis non-permeate; Sand filter backwash; Spill containment area stormwater; Steam cleaning and power wash wastewater; Steam condensate; Stormwater; Wastewater drained from solids filter system; Water softener regeneration wastewater; West Basin cooling system strainer cleaning wastewater</i>															
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PARAMETER	NET DMR CODE	UNITS	FLOW/TIME BASED MONITORING				INSTANTANEOUS MONITORING			Min- imum Level⁵	Mon- itoring Loca- tion				
			Average Monthly Limit	Minimum Daily Limit or Maximum Daily Limit ¹	Sample/ Reporting Frequency ^{2,3}	Sample Type or Measurement to be Reported ⁴	Instantaneous Limit or Required Range	Sample/ Reporting Frequency	Sample Type or Measurement to be Reported						
Whole Effluent Toxicity ("WET")															
Acute Aquatic Toxicity ⁶ <i>Americamysis bahia</i> , LC ₅₀	TAA3E	%	NA	≥100	Semi-Annually ⁷	Daily Composite	≥33	NR	Grab		Y				
Acute Aquatic Toxicity ⁶ <i>Cyprinodon variegatus</i> , LC ₅₀	TAA6A	%	NA	≥100	Semi-Annually ⁷	Daily Composite	≥33	NR	Grab		Y				
Chemical Analyses Required with Whole Effluent Toxicity Monitoring – See Sections 7.1.6 and 7.2.7. for Acute and Chronic Testing⁸															
Date of WET Chemistry Sample Collection ⁹	51883	YYYYMMDD	NA	---	Semi-Annually ⁷	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA		Y				
Alkalinity	00410	mg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually ⁷	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA		O, U				
Bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate	39100	µg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually ⁷	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA	2.2	O, U				
Biochemical Oxygen Demand, 5-day (BOD ₅)	85002	mg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually ⁷	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA		O, U				
Chlorine, Total Residual	50060	µg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually ⁷	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA	20	O, U				
Chromium, Total	01034	µg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually ⁷	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA	5	O, U				
Copper, Total	01042	µg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually ⁷	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA	3	O, U				
Flow, Day of Sampling	74076	gpd	NA	---	Semi-Annually ⁷	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA		Y				
Hardness, Total	00900	mg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually ⁷	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA		O, U				
Iron, Total	01045	mg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually ⁷	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA	0.1	O, U				
Lead, Total	01051	µg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually ⁷	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA	1	O, U				
Nickel, Total	01067	µg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually ⁷	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA	5	O, U				
Nitrogen, Ammonia (total as N)	00610	mg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually ⁷	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA		O, U				
Nitrogen, Kjeldahl (total as N)	00625	mg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually ⁷	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA		O, U				
Nitrogen, Nitrate (total as N)	00620	mg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually ⁷	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA		O, U				
Nitrogen, Nitrite (total as N)	00615	mg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually ⁷	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA		O, U				

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Monitoring Location Description: Basin instrument trailer on the west side of the effluent basin													
Discharge is to: Thames River		Zone of Influence: 1,229,167 gallons per hour			Instream Waste Concentration: 1.67 %		Outfall Location: Latitude (41.33056°) and Longitude (-72.07889°)						
PARAMETER	NET DMR CODE	UNITS	FLOW/TIME BASED MONITORING				INSTANTANEOUS MONITORING			Min- imum Level ⁵	Mon- itoring Loca- tion		
			Average Monthly Limit	Minimum Daily Limit or Maximum Daily Limit ¹	Sample/ Reporting Frequency ^{2, 3}	Sample Type or Measurement to be Reported ⁴	Instantaneous Limit or Required Range	Sample/ Reporting Frequency	Sample Type or Measurement to be Reported				
Nitrogen, Total (as N) ¹⁰	00600	mg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually ⁷	Calculation	NA	NR	NA		O, U		
Oil & Grease, Total	00556	mg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually ⁷	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA		O, U		
pH, Day of Sampling	00400	SU	NA	---	Semi-Annually ⁷	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA		O, U		
Salinity	00480	g/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually ⁷	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA		O, U		
Specific Conductance	00095	µMho/cm	NA	---	Semi-Annually ⁷	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA		O, U		
Temperature	00011	°F	NA	---	Semi-Annually ⁷	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA		O, U		
Total Suspended Solids	00530	mg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually ⁷	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA		O, U		
Zinc, Total	01092	µg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually ⁷	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA	20	O, U		

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Monitoring Location Description: Basin instrument trailer on the west side of the effluent basin														
Discharge is to: Thames River		Zone of Influence: 1,229,167 gallons per hour			Instream Waste Concentration: 1.67 %		Outfall Location: Latitude (41.33056°) and Longitude (-72.07889°)							
PARAMETER	NET DMR CODE	UNITS	FLOW/TIME BASED MONITORING				INSTANTANEOUS MONITORING		Min- imum Level ⁵	Mon- itoring Loca- tion				
			Average Monthly Limit	Minimum Daily Limit or Maximum Daily Limit ¹	Sample/ Reporting Frequency ^{2,3}	Sample Type or Measurement to be Reported ⁴	Instantaneous Limit or Required Range	Sample/ Reporting Frequency	Sample Type or Measurement to be Reported					
TABLE FOOTNOTES AND REMARKS														
Footnotes:														
1 WET limits are expressed as a minimum daily limit, meaning the minimum allowable daily discharge over the course of the 24-hour sampling period. Chemical results analyzed in conjunction with WET tests shall be reported as the max value collected during the 24-hour sampling period.														
2 The first entry in this column is the “Sample Frequency”. If a “Reporting Frequency” does not follow this entry and the “Sample Frequency” is more frequent than monthly, then the “Reporting Frequency” is monthly. If the “Sample Frequency” is specified as monthly, or less frequent, then the “Reporting Frequency” is the same as the “Sample Frequency.”														
3 If more than one toxicity sample is collected during a single month, report subsequent WET and chemistry results as an attachment to the DMR in accordance with Section 8.2 of this permit.														
4 Daily composite samples shall be collected for acute toxicity tests consistent with the methodology outlined in Section 7.1 of this permit.														
5 “Minimum Level” refers to Section 6.3 of this permit.														
6 Acute toxicity testing shall be conducted in accordance with Section 7.1 of this permit. The LC ₅₀ results (in %) for the acute toxicity testing shall be reported on the DMR. The Aquatic Toxicity Monitoring Report (ATMR) shall be completed for each toxicity testing event and submitted in accordance with Section 8.2 of this permit.														
7 Semi-Annually in the context of acute toxicity testing means that sampling is required in the months of May and November.														
8 Chemical analyses shall be conducted on samples used in the acute toxicity tests. These analyses shall be conducted on all samples used in the acute toxicity test and reported under Monitoring Locations O and U. Results shall also be included on the ATMR and submitted in accordance with Section 8.2 of this permit.														
9 The Permittee shall report the date of sample collection for the acute toxicity test and associated chemistry data in the format: year month day (YYYYMMDD).														
10 Total Nitrogen means the sum of the concentrations of: Ammonia Nitrogen + Organic Nitrogen + Nitrate Nitrogen + Nitrite Nitrogen.														
Remarks:														
1. Abbreviations used for units are as follows: °F means degrees Fahrenheit; cfus/100ml means colony forming units per 100 milliliters; gpd means gallons per day; g/day means grams per day; g/L means grams per liter; lbs/day means pounds per day; MBtus/day means million British thermal units per day; mg/L means milligrams per liter; lbs/day means pounds per day; SU means Standard Units; µg/L means micrograms per liter; µMho/cm means micromhos per centimeter. Other abbreviations are as follows: NA means Not Applicable; NR means Not Reportable (unless sampling is conducted relative to Section 5.4 of this permit).														
2. If “---” is noted in the limits column in the table, this means that a limit is not specified but a value must be reported on the DMR.														
3. Analyses that indicate that a parameter was not detected or that was detected less than the noted ML shall be reported in accordance with Section 6.5.														

Table C – Chronic Toxicity Monitoring

Discharge Serial Number: DSN 008-CT										Monitoring Location Codes: Y – Chronic toxicity effluent results O – Day 1 chronic toxicity chemical analyses P – Day 3 chronic toxicity chemical analyses Q – Day 5 chronic toxicity chemical analyses R – Day 1 upstream monitoring S – Day 3 upstream monitoring T – Day 5 upstream monitoring U – Day 1 salinity adjusted effluent chemical analyses V – Day 3 salinity adjusted effluent chemical analyses W – Day 5 salinity adjusted effluent chemical analyses			
Wastewater Description: <i>Air compressor/air dryer condensate; Air conditioning condensate; Backflow preventer & fire protection test water; Bleed off or draining of boiler & minor leaks from a boiler; Boiler blowdown; Boiler lab testing wastewater; Boiler washdown; Building maintenance wastewater; Chilled water; Cleaning of chilled water strainers & filters; Condensate polisher resin regeneration wastewater; Cooling tower blowdown/draining; Deaerator and vent stack condensate; Dewatering wastewater; Eyewash stations and miscellaneous plant sinks; Floor drain wastewater; Hydrostatic test water; Non-contact cooling water; Primary neutralization system draining; Pump seal water; Raw water tank overflow; Reverse osmosis non-permeate; Sand filter backwash; Spill containment area stormwater; Steam cleaning and power wash wastewater; Steam condensate; Stormwater; Wastewater drained from solids filter system; Water softener regeneration wastewater; West Basin cooling system strainer cleaning wastewater</i>													
Monitoring Location Description: Basin instrument trailer on the west side of the effluent basin													
Discharge is to: Thames River	Zone of Influence: 1,229,167 gallons per hour				Instream Waste Concentration:			Outfall Location: Latitude (41.33056°) and Longitude (-72.07889°)					
PARAMETER	NET DMR CODE	UNITS	FLOW/TIME BASED MONITORING				INSTANTANEOUS MONITORING			MINIMUM LEVEL ⁵	MONITORING LOCATION		
Whole Effluent Toxicity (“WET”)													
Chronic Aquatic Toxicity (Survival) ⁶ <i>Americanopsis bahia</i> , C-NOEC	TOP3E	%	NA	---	Semi-Annually	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA		Y		
Chronic Aquatic Toxicity (Growth) ⁶ <i>Americanopsis bahia</i> , C-NOEC	TPP3E	%	NA	---	Semi-Annually	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA		Y		
Chronic Aquatic Toxicity (Reproduction) ⁶ <i>Americanopsis bahia</i> , C-NOEC	TVP3E	%	NA	---	Semi-Annually	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA		Y		
Chronic Aquatic Toxicity (Survival) ⁶ <i>Cyprinodon variegatus</i> , C-NOEC	TOP6A	%	NA	---	Semi-Annually	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA		Y		
Chronic Aquatic Toxicity (Growth) ⁶ <i>Cyprinodon variegatus</i> , C-NOEC	TPP6A	%	NA	---	Semi-Annually	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA		Y		
Chemical Analyses Required with Whole Effluent Toxicity Monitoring – See Sections 7.1.6 and 7.2.7. for Acute and Chronic Testing⁷													
Date of WET Chemistry Sample Collection ⁸	51883	YYYYMMDD	NA	---	Semi-Annually	Calculated	NA	NR	NA		O, P, Q; R, S, T; U, V, W		
Alkalinity	00410	mg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA		O, P, Q; R, S, T; U, V, W		

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Wastewater Description: <i>Air compressor/air dryer condensate; Air conditioning condensate; Backflow preventer & fire protection test water; Bleed off or draining of boiler & minor leaks from a boiler; Boiler blowdown; Boiler lab testing wastewater; Boiler washdown; Building maintenance wastewater; Chilled water; Cleaning of chilled water strainers & filters; Condensate polisher resin regeneration wastewater; Cooling tower blowdown/draining; Deaerator and vent stack condensate; Dewatering wastewater; Eyewash stations and miscellaneous plant sinks; Floor drain wastewater; Hydrostatic test water; Non-contact cooling water; Primary neutralization system draining; Pump seal water; Raw water tank overflow; Reverse osmosis non-permeate; Sand filter backwash; Spill containment area stormwater; Steam cleaning and power wash wastewater; Steam condensate; Stormwater; Wastewater drained from solids filter system; Water softener regeneration wastewater; West Basin cooling system strainer cleaning wastewater</i>														
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Discharge is to: Thames River	Zone of Influence: 1,229,167 gallons per hour			Instream Waste Concentration: 1.67 %			Outfall Location: Latitude (41.33056°) and Longitude (-72.07889°)							
PARAMETER	NET DMR CODE	UNITS	FLOW/TIME BASED MONITORING				INSTANTANEOUS MONITORING			MINIMUM LEVEL⁵	MONITORING LOCATION			
			Average Monthly Limit	Minimum Daily Limit or Maximum Daily Limit ¹	Sample/Reporting Frequency ^{2, 3}	Sample Type or Measurement to be Reported ⁴	Instantaneous Limit or Required Range	Sample/Reporting Frequency	Sample Type or Measurement to be Reported					
Bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate	39100	µg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA	2.2	O, P, Q; R, S, T; U, V, W			
Biochemical Oxygen Demand, 5-day (BOD ₅)	85002	mg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA		O, P, Q; R, S, T; U, V, W			
Chlorine, Total Residual	50060	µg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA	20	O, P, Q; R, S, T; U, V, W			
Chromium, Total	01034	µg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA	5	O, P, Q; R, S, T; U, V, W			
Chromium, Dissolved	01030	µg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA	5	O, P, Q; R, S, T; U, V, W			
Copper, Total	01042	µg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA	3	O, P, Q; R, S, T; U, V, W			
Copper, Dissolved	01040	µg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA	3	O, P, Q; R, S, T; U, V, W			

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Wastewater Description: <i>Air compressor/air dryer condensate; Air conditioning condensate; Backflow preventer & fire protection test water; Bleed off or draining of boiler & minor leaks from a boiler; Boiler blowdown; Boiler lab testing wastewater; Boiler washdown; Building maintenance wastewater; Chilled water; Cleaning of chilled water strainers & filters; Condensate polisher resin regeneration wastewater; Cooling tower blowdown/draining; Deaerator and vent stack condensate; Dewatering wastewater; Eyewash stations and miscellaneous plant sinks; Floor drain wastewater; Hydrostatic test water; Non-contact cooling water; Primary neutralization system draining; Pump seal water; Raw water tank overflow; Reverse osmosis non-permeate; Sand filter backwash; Spill containment area stormwater; Steam cleaning and power wash wastewater; Steam condensate; Stormwater; Wastewater drained from solids filter system; Water softener regeneration wastewater; West Basin cooling system strainer cleaning wastewater</i>														
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Flow, Day of Sampling	74076	gpd	NA	---	Semi-Annually	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA		O, P, Q; R, S, T; U, V, W			
Hardness, Total	00900	mg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA		O, P, Q; R, S, T; U, V, W			
Iron, Total	01045	mg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA	0.1	O, P, Q; R, S, T; U, V, W			
Iron, Dissolved	01046	mg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA	0.1	O, P, Q; R, S, T; U, V, W			
Lead, Total	01051	µg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA	1	O, P, Q; R, S, T; U, V, W			
Lead, Dissolved	01049	µg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA	1	O, P, Q; R, S, T; U, V, W			
Nickel, Total	01067	µg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA	5	O, P, Q; R, S, T; U, V, W			

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Nickel, Dissolved	01065	µg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA	5	O, P, Q; R, S, T; U, V, W	
Nitrogen, Ammonia (total as N)	00610	mg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA		O, P, Q; R, S, T; U, V, W	
Nitrogen, Kjeldahl (total as N)	00625	mg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA		O, P, Q; R, S, T; U, V, W	
Nitrogen, Nitrate (total as N)	00620	mg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA		O, P, Q; R, S, T; U, V, W	
Nitrogen, Nitrite (total as N)	00615	mg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA		O, P, Q; R, S, T; U, V, W	
Nitrogen, Total (as N) ⁹	00600	mg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually	Calculation	NA	NR	NA		O, P, Q; R, S, T; U, V, W	
Oil & Grease, Total	00556	mg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA		O, P, Q; R, S, T; U, V, W	

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pH, Day of Sampling	00400	SU	NA	---	Semi-Annually	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA		O, P, Q; R, S, T; U, V, W			
Salinity	00480	g/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA		O, P, Q; R, S, T; U, V, W			
Specific Conductance	00095	µMho/cm	NA	---	Semi-Annually	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA		O, P, Q; R, S, T; U, V, W			
Temperature	00011	°F	NA	---	Semi-Annually	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA		O, P, Q; R, S, T; U, V, W			
Total Suspended Solids	00530	mg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA		O, P, Q; R, S, T; U, V, W			
Zinc, Total	01092	µg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA	20	O, P, Q; R, S, T; U, V, W			
Zinc, Dissolved	01090	µg/L	NA	---	Semi-Annually	Daily Composite	NA	NR	NA	20	O, P, Q; R, S, T; U, V, W			

TABLE FOOTNOTES AND REMARKS

Footnotes:

- ¹ WET limits are expressed as a minimum daily limit, meaning the minimum allowable daily discharge over the course of the 24-hour sampling period. Chemical results analyzed in conjunction with WET tests shall be reported as the max value collected during the 24-hour sampling period.
- ² The first entry in this column is the “Sample Frequency”. If a “Reporting Frequency” does not follow this entry and the “Sample Frequency” is more frequent than monthly, then the “Reporting Frequency” is monthly. If the “Sample Frequency” is specified as monthly, or less frequent, then the “Reporting Frequency” is the same as the “Sample Frequency.”
- ³ If more than one toxicity sample is collected during a single month, report subsequent WET and chemistry results in accordance with Sections 8.2 and 9.4 of this permit.
- ⁴ Daily composite samples shall be collected for aquatic toxicity tests consistent with the methodology outlined in Section 7.2 of this permit.
- ⁵ “Minimum Level” refers to Section 6.3 of this permit.
- ⁶ Chronic toxicity testing shall be conducted in accordance with Section 7.2 of this permit. The C-NOEC (Chronic-No Observed Effect Concentration) results (in %) for the conditions noted in this table shall be reported on the DMR. The ATMR shall be completed for each chronic toxicity testing event and submitted in accordance with Section 8.2 of this permit.
- ⁷ Chemical analyses shall be conducted on all samples used in the chronic toxicity tests. These analyses shall be conducted on an undiluted aliquot of each effluent sample and each sample of upstream receiving water used in the chronic toxicity test. Results for effluent sampling from day 1, day 3, and day 5 of the chronic toxicity test shall be reported under Monitoring Location O, P, and Q, respectively. Receiving water (upstream) results from day 1, day 3, and day 5 of sampling shall be reported under Monitoring Location R, S, and T, respectively. Results for salinity adjusted effluent sampling from day 1, day 3, and day 5 of the chronic toxicity test shall be reported under Monitoring Location U, V, and W, respectively. Results shall also be included on the ATMR and submitted in accordance with Section 8.2 of this permit.
- ⁸ The Permittee shall report the dates of sample collection for each day of chronic toxicity test chemistry sampling (days 1, 3, and 5) in the format: year month day (YYYYMMDD).
- ⁹ Total Nitrogen means the sum of the concentrations of: Ammonia Nitrogen + Organic Nitrogen + Nitrate Nitrogen + Nitrite Nitrogen.

Remarks:

1. Abbreviations used for units are as follows: °F means degrees Fahrenheit; cfus/100ml means colony forming units per 100 milliliters; gpd means gallons per day; g/day means grams per day; g/L means grams per liter; lbs/day means pounds per day; MBtus/day means million British thermal units per day; mg/L means milligrams per liter; lbs/day means pounds per day; SU means Standard Units; µg/L means micrograms per liter; µMho/cm means micromhos per centimeter. Other abbreviations are as follows: NA means Not Applicable; NR means Not Reportable (unless sampling is conducted relative to Section 5.4 of this permit).
2. If “---” is noted in the limits column in the table, this means that a limit is not specified but a value must be reported on the DMR.
3. Analyses that indicate that a parameter was not detected or that was detected less than the noted ML shall be reported in accordance with Section 6.5.

SECTION 6: SAMPLE COLLECTION, HANDLING AND ANALYTICAL TECHNIQUES

- 6.1 All samples shall be collected, handled, and analyzed in accordance with the methods approved under 40 CFR 136, unless another method is required under 40 CFR subchapter N or unless an alternative method has been approved in writing pursuant to 40 CFR 136.5. To determine compliance with limits and conditions established in this permit, monitoring must be performed using sufficiently-sensitive methods approved pursuant to 40 CFR 136 for the analysis of pollutants having approved methods under that part, unless a method is required under 40 CFR subchapter N or unless an alternative method has been approved in writing pursuant to 40 CFR 136.5.
- 6.2 All metals analyses identified in this permit shall refer to analyses for Total Recoverable Metal as defined in 40 CFR 136, unless otherwise specified.
- 6.3 The term Minimum Level (“ML”) refers to either the sample concentration equivalent to the lowest calibration point in a method or a multiple of the method detection limit (“MDL”). MLs may be obtained in several ways: They may be published in a method; they may be sample concentrations equivalent to the lowest acceptable calibration point used by the laboratory; or they may be calculated by multiplying the MDL in a method, or the MDL determined by a lab, by a factor of 3. The MLs specified in Section 5 Tables A - C. represent the minimum concentrations at which quantification must be achieved and verified during the chemical analyses for the parameters identified in Section 5 Tables A - C Analyses for these parameters must include check standards within ten percent of the specified ML or calibration points equal to or less than the specified ML.
- 6.4 The value of each parameter for which monitoring is required under this permit shall be reported to the maximum level of accuracy and precision possible, consistent with the requirements of this Section of the permit.
- 6.5 Analyses for which quantification was verified to be below a ML, including non-detect, shall be reported as zero on the DMR for purposes of determining compliance with effluent limitations or conditions specified in this permit. The Permittee shall attach documentation demonstrating the ML of the analysis as an attachment to the DMR and identify the ML as a comment on the DMR.
- 6.6 It is a violation of this permit for a Permittee or his/her 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.
- 6.7 Analyses required under this permit shall be performed in accordance with Conn. Gen. Stat. Section 19a-29a. An “environmental laboratory”, as that term is defined in the referenced section, that is performing analyses required by this permit, shall be registered and have certification acceptable to the Commissioner, as such registration and certification is necessary.

SECTION 7: AQUATIC TOXICITY TESTING

- 7.1 **ACUTE TESTING REQUIREMENTS** The Permittee shall conduct acute aquatic toxicity for DSN 008-AT as follows:
 - 7.1.1 **TEST METHOD:** Acute aquatic toxicity shall be performed as prescribed in the reference document *Methods for Measuring the Acute Toxicity of Effluents and Receiving Waters to Freshwater and Marine Organisms* (EPA-821-R-02-012), or the most current version, with any exceptions or clarifications noted below.
 - 7.1.2 **SAMPLE COLLECTION AND HANDLING:**
 - 7.1.2.1 Composite samples shall be chilled as they are collected. Grab samples shall be chilled immediately following collection. Samples shall be held at 0-6 °C until aquatic toxicity testing is initiated.

7.1.2.2 Effluent samples shall not be dechlorinated, filtered, or modified in any way prior to testing for acute aquatic toxicity unless specifically approved in writing by the Commissioner for monitoring at this facility.

7.1.2.3 Tests for acute aquatic toxicity shall be initiated within 36 hours of sample collection.

7.1.3 **TEST SPECIES AND TEST DURATION:** Monitoring for aquatic toxicity to determine compliance with the acute toxicity limits in this permit shall be conducted as follows:

7.1.3.1 For 48-hours utilizing neonatal *Mysidopsis bahia* (1-5 days old with no more than 24-hours range in age).

7.1.3.2 For 48-hours utilizing larval *Cyprinodon variegatus* (1-14 days old with no more than 24-hours range in age).

7.1.4 **ACUTE ENDPOINT:** Survival at 48-hours measured by LC₅₀.

7.1.5 **TEST CONDITIONS:**

7.1.5.1 Tests for acute aquatic toxicity shall be conducted as prescribed for static non-renewal tests.

7.1.5.2 Definitive (multi-concentration) testing, with LC₅₀ as the endpoint, shall be conducted to determine compliance with limits on acute aquatic toxicity and monitoring conditions and shall incorporate, at a minimum, the following effluent concentrations: 100%, 75%, 50%, 25%, 12.5% and 6.25%.

7.1.5.3 Aquatic toxicity tests with saltwater organisms shall be conducted at a salinity of 28 parts per thousand (\pm 2 parts per thousand).

7.1.5.3.1 Synthetic seawater for use as dilution water or controls shall be prepared with deionized water and artificial sea salts as described in EPA-821-R-02-012.

7.1.5.3.2 If the salinity of the source water is more than 5 parts per thousand higher or lower than the culture water used for rearing the organisms, a second set of controls matching the salinity of the culture water shall be added to the test series. Test validity shall be determined using the controls adjusted to match the source water salinity.

7.1.5.3.3 Salinity adjustment that may be required in tests with saltwater organisms shall utilize the minimum amount of synthetic hypersaline brine (not to exceed 100 parts per thousand) or dilute (2 parts per thousand) synthetic seawater necessary to achieve the required salinity.

7.1.5.3.4 The actual effluent concentrations in definitive tests with saltwater organisms shall be used in calculating test results.

7.1.5.4 All effluent concentrations and the control(s) used in the test shall have the same salinity. If the effluent requires salinity adjustment to a standard salinity, this shall be accomplished by adding a minimum amount of commercial sea salts as described in EPA-821-R-02-012.

7.1.5.5 Organisms shall not be fed during the tests.

7.1.5.6 Sodium lauryl sulfate or sodium dodecyl sulfate shall be used as the reference toxicant.

7.1.5.7 Dissolved oxygen, pH, and temperature shall be measured in the control and in all test concentrations at the beginning of the test, daily thereafter, and at test termination.

7.1.5.8 Specific conductance, pH, salinity, alkalinity, hardness, and total residual chlorine shall be measured in the undiluted effluent sample and in the dilution (control) water at the beginning of the test and at test termination. If total residual chlorine is not detected at test initiation, it does not need to be measured at test termination.

7.1.6 **CHEMICAL ANALYSIS:** All effluent samples used in the acute toxicity test, including salinity adjusted effluent samples, if salinity adjustment is required, shall at a minimum, be analyzed and results reported in accordance with the provisions listed in Section 5 Table B and Section 6.1 for the parameters identified on Section 5 Table B of the permit.

7.1.7 **TEST ACCEPTABILITY CRITERIA:** For the test results to be acceptable, control survival must equal or exceed 90%. If the laboratory control fails to meet test acceptability criteria for either of the test organisms at the end of the respective test period, then the test is considered invalid and the test must be repeated with a newly collected sample in accordance with Section 9.4.

7.1.8 **TEST COMPLIANCE:** Compliance with limits on Acute Toxicity shall be determined as follows: For limits expressed as a minimum LC₅₀ value, compliance shall be demonstrated when the results of a valid definitive acute aquatic toxicity test indicates that the LC₅₀ value for the test is greater than the acute toxicity limit.

7.2 **CHRONIC TESTING REQUIREMENTS.** The Permittee shall conduct chronic toxicity testing for DSN 008-CT as follows:

7.2.1 **TEST METHOD:** Chronic aquatic toxicity testing shall be performed as prescribed in the reference document *Short-term Methods for Estimating the Chronic Toxicity of Effluents and Receiving Waters to Marine and Estuarine Organisms*, EPA-821-R-02-014, or the most current version, with the following exceptions or clarifications noted below.

7.2.2 **SAMPLE COLLECTION AND HANDLING:**

7.2.2.1 Composite samples shall be chilled as they are being collected. Samples shall be held at 0-6 °C until aquatic toxicity testing is initiated.

7.2.2.2 Effluent samples shall not be dechlorinated, filtered, or modified in any way prior to testing for aquatic toxicity unless specifically approved in writing by the Commissioner for monitoring at this facility.

7.2.2.3 Tests for aquatic toxicity shall be initiated within 36 hours of sample collection.

7.2.3 **TEST SPECIES AND TEST DURATION:** Monitoring for aquatic toxicity to determine compliance with the chronic toxicity limits/conditions in the permit shall be conducted as follows:

7.2.3.1 For seven days utilizing juvenile *Americamysis bahia* (7 days old with no more than 24 hours range in age).

7.2.3.2 For seven days utilizing larval *Cyprinodon variegatus* (less than 24 hours old with no more than 24 hours range in age).

7.2.4 **CHRONIC ENDPOINTS:**

7.2.4.1 *Americamysis bahia*: Survival, Growth, and Fecundity

7.2.4.2 *Cyprinodon variegatus*: Survival and Growth

7.2.5 **DILUTION WATER:** Thames River water shall be collected upstream of the area influenced by the discharge and shall be used as site control water (0% effluent) and dilution water in the toxicity tests. The Permittee shall document the dilution water sampling location by providing coordinates and/or a map of the location.

7.2.6 TEST CONDITIONS:

- 7.2.6.1 Testing for aquatic toxicity shall be conducted as prescribed in the reference document for static daily renewal tests.
- 7.2.6.2 Daily composite samples of the discharge and grab samples of the Thame River for use as site water and dilution water shall be collected on: Day 1 of the test (for test initiation and renewal on Day 2 of the test); Day 3 of the test (for test solution renewal on Day 3 and Day 4 of the test); and on Day 5 of the test, (for test solution renewal on Day 5, Day 6, and Day 7 of the test). Samples shall not be dechlorinated, pH or hardness adjusted, or chemically altered in any way.
- 7.2.6.3 Test concentrations shall be comprised of a minimum of five dilutions (100%, 50%, 25%, 12.5%, 6.25%, and 1.67% effluent), laboratory control water, and site dilution water.
- 7.2.6.4 Dissolved oxygen, pH, salinity, and temperature shall be measured in each sample of effluent and the Thame River water sample prior to and immediately following renewal of the test solutions.
- 7.2.6.5 Synthetic seawater prepared with deionized water and artificial salts adjusted to a salinity of 28 parts per thousand (± 2 parts per thousand) as described in *Short-Term Methods for Estimating the Chronic Toxicity of Effluents and Receiving Waters to Marine and Estuarine Organisms* (EPA-821-R-02-014) shall be used as laboratory control water.

7.2.7 **CHEMICAL ANALYSIS:** Chemical analysis for the parameters identified in Section 5 Table C of the permit shall be conducted on an undiluted aliquot of each effluent sample, an undiluted aliquot of each salinity adjusted effluent sample, if salinity adjustment is required, and each sample of upstream Thames River used in the test. The chemical analysis shall be analyzed, and results reported in accordance with the provisions listed in Section 5 Table C and Section 6.1 of the permit.

7.2.8 **TEST ACCEPTABILITY CRITERIA:** If the laboratory control fails to meet test acceptability criteria specified in the reference document for either of the test organisms at the end of the respective test period, then the test is considered invalid and the test must be repeated.

7.2.9 **REPORTING:** A report detailing the results of the chronic toxicity monitoring shall be documented on an ATMR and submitted to the Commissioner by the last day of the month following the month in which samples are collected in accordance with Section 8.2 of this permit. The report shall include the items identified in Section 8.2 of this permit. Endpoints to be reported are: 48-hour LC₅₀ (survival), 7-day LC₅₀ (survival), 7-day C-NOEC (survival), 7-day C-LOEC (survival), 7-day C-NOEC (growth), 7-day C-LOEC (growth), 7-day C-NOEC (fecundity), 7-day C-LOEC (fecundity), 7-day IC₂₅ (growth and fecundity).

SECTION 8: REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

8.1 The results of chemical analyses and any aquatic toxicity test required by this permit shall be submitted electronically using NetDMR. Monitoring results shall be reported at the monitoring frequency specified in this permit. Any monitoring required more frequently than monthly shall be reported on an attachment to the DMR, and any additional monitoring conducted in accordance with 40 CFR 136, or another method required for an industry-specific waste stream under 40 CFR subchapter N, or other methods approved by the Commissioner, shall also be included on the DMR, or as an attachment, if necessary, and the results of such monitoring shall be included in the calculation and reporting of the data submitted in the DMR. Calculations for all limitations which require averaging of measurements shall utilize an arithmetic mean unless otherwise specified by the Commissioner in the permit. All aquatic toxicity reports shall also be included as an attachment to the DMR. A report shall also be included with the DMR which includes a detailed explanation of any violations of the limitations specified. DMRs, attachments, and reports, shall continue to be submitted electronically in accordance with Section 8.4 below. However, if the DMRs,

attachments, and reports are required to be submitted in hard copy form, they shall be received at this address by the last day of the month following the month in which samples are collected:

Bureau of Materials Management and Compliance Assurance
Water Permitting and Enforcement Division (Attn: DMR Processing)
Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection
79 Elm Street
Hartford, CT 06106-5127

- 8.2 The ATMR associated with aquatic toxicity monitoring shall include all applicable items identified in Section 12 of EPA-821-R-02-012 and in Section 10 of EPA-821-R-02-013 (Freshwater) or EPA-821-R-02-014 (Saltwater), including complete and accurate aquatic toxicity test data, including percent survival of test organisms in each replicate test chamber, LC₅₀ values and 95% confidence intervals for definitive test protocols, and all supporting chemical/physical measurements performed in association with any aquatic toxicity test, including measured daily flow and hours of operation for the 30 consecutive operating days prior to sample collection. The ATMR shall be submitted electronically as an attachment to the DMR and via email to: DEEP.IndustrialWETReports@ct.gov. The ATMR required by Sections 5 and 7 shall be received at this address by the last day of the month following the month in which the samples are collected.
- 8.3 If this permit requires monitoring of a discharge on a calendar basis (e.g., monthly, quarterly, etc.), but a discharge has not occurred within the frequency of sampling specified in the permit, the Permittee must submit the DMR and ATMR, as scheduled, indicating no discharge has occurred using NODI code "C". For those permittees whose required monitoring is discharge dependent (e.g., per batch), the minimum reporting frequency is monthly. Therefore, if there is no discharge during a calendar month for a batch discharge, a DMR must be submitted indicating such by the end of the following month.
- 8.4 NetDMR Reporting Requirements:

The Permittee shall report electronically using NetDMR, a web-based tool that allows permittees to electronically submit DMRs and other required reports through a secure internet connection. The Permittee and/or the signatory authority shall electronically submit DMRs required under this permit to the Commissioner using NetDMR in satisfaction of the DMR submission requirements of Sections 5, 6, 8, and 9 of this permit. All sampling and monitoring records required under the permit, including any monitoring conducted more frequently than monthly or any additional monitoring conducted in accordance with 40 CFR 136, shall be submitted to the Commissioner as an electronic attachment to the DMR in NetDMR. The Permittee shall also electronically file any written report of noncompliance described in Section 9 of this permit as an attachment in NetDMR. DMRs shall be submitted electronically to the Commissioner no later than the last day of the month following the completed reporting period. NetDMR is accessed from: <http://www.epa.gov/netdmr>.

SECTION 9: RECORDING AND REPORTING OF VIOLATIONS, ADDITIONAL TESTING REQUIREMENTS

9.1 *Noncompliance Notifications:*

9.1.1 In accordance with Section 22a-430-3(j)(8), 22a-430-3(j)(11)(D), 22a-430-3(k)(4), and 22a-430-3(i)(3) of the RSCA, the Permittee shall notify the Commissioner of the following actual or anticipated noncompliance with the terms or conditions of this permit within two hours of becoming aware of the circumstances. All other actual or anticipated violations of the permit shall be reported to the Commissioner within 24 hours of becoming aware of the circumstances:

- 9.1.1.1 A noncompliance that is greater than two times an effluent limitation;
- 9.1.1.2 A noncompliance of any minimum or maximum daily limitation or excursion beyond a minimum or maximum daily range;
- 9.1.1.3 Any condition that may endanger human health or the environment, including but not limited to noncompliance with whole effluent toxicity WET limitations;
- 9.1.1.4 Any condition that may endanger the operation of a POTW, including sludge handling and disposal;
- 9.1.1.5 A failure or malfunction of monitoring equipment used to comply with the monitoring requirements of this permit;
- 9.1.1.6 Any actual or potential bypass of the Permittee's collection system or treatment facilities; or
- 9.1.1.7 Expansions or significant alterations of any wastewater collection, treatment facility, or its method of operation for the purpose of correcting or avoiding a permit violation.

9.1.2 Notifications shall be submitted via the Commissioner's online Noncompliance Notification Form: <https://portal.ct.gov/deep/water-regulating-and-discharges/industrial-wastewater/compliance-assistance/notification-requirements>.

9.1.3 Within five days of any notification of noncompliance in accordance with Sections 9.1.1.1 through 9.1.1.6 of this permit, the Permittee shall submit a follow-up report using the Commissioner's online Noncompliance Follow-up Report Form: <https://portal.ct.gov/deep/water-regulating-and-discharges/industrial-wastewater/compliance-assistance/notification-requirements>.

The follow-up report shall contain, at a minimum, the following information: (i) A description of the noncompliance and its cause; (ii) the period of noncompliance, including exact dates and times; (iii) if the noncompliance has not been corrected, the anticipated time it is expected to continue; and (iv) steps taken or planned to correct the noncompliance and reduce, eliminate and prevent recurrence of the noncompliance.

9.1.4 Within 30 days of any notification of facility modifications reported in accordance with Section 9.1.1.7 of this permit, the Permittee shall submit a written follow-up report by submitting a "Facility and Wastewater Treatment System Modification Request for Determination" for the review and approval of the Commissioner. The report shall fully describe the changes made to the facility and reasons therefor.

9.1.5 Notification of an actual or anticipated noncompliance or facility modification does not stay any term or condition of this permit.

9.2 In accordance with Section 22a-430-3(j)(11)(E) of the RSCA, the Permittee shall notify the Commissioner

within 72 hours and in writing within 30 days when he or she knows or has reason to believe that the concentration in the discharge of any substance listed in the application, or any toxic substance as listed in Appendix B or D of RSCA Section 22a-430-4, has exceeded or will exceed the highest of the following levels: (1) One hundred micrograms per liter; (2) Two hundred micrograms per liter for acrolein and acrylonitrile, five hundred micrograms per liter for 2,4-dinitrophenol and for 2-methyl-4, 6-dinitrophenol; and one milligram per liter for antimony; (3) An alternative level specified by the Commissioner, provided such level shall not exceed the level which can be achieved by the Permittee's treatment system; or (4) A level two times the level specified in the Permittee's application.

72 hour initial notifications shall be submitted via the Commissioner's online Noncompliance Notification Form. 30 day follow-up reports shall be submitted via the Commissioner's online Noncompliance Follow-up Report Form. The Forms are available at the Commissioner's website, here: <https://portal.ct.gov/deep/water-regulating-and-discharges/industrial-wastewater/compliance-assistance/notification-requirements>.

- 9.3 In addition to any other written reporting requirements, the Permittee shall report any instances of noncompliance with this permit with its DMR. Such reporting shall be due no later than the last day of the month following the reporting period in which the noncompliant event occurred. The information provided in the DMR shall include, at a minimum: the type of violation, the duration of the violation, the cause of the violation, and any corrective action(s) or preventative measure(s) taken to address the violation.
- 9.4 If any sample analysis indicates that an aquatic toxicity effluent limitation in Section 5 of this permit has been exceeded, or that the test was invalid, another sample of the effluent shall be collected and tested for aquatic toxicity and associated chemical parameters, as described above in Sections 5 and 7. The exceedance or invalid test shall be reported to Commissioner in accordance with Section 9.1. The results shall be submitted to the Commissioner within 30 days of the exceedance or invalid test. The results and the associated ATMR shall be reported in accordance with Sections 5 and 8.2 of the permit. Results of all tests, whether valid or invalid, shall be reported. If more than one toxicity sample is collected during a single month, report subsequent WET and chemistry results as an attachment to the month's DMR.
- 9.5 If any two consecutive test results or any three test results in a twelve-month period indicate that an aquatic toxicity limit has been exceeded, the Permittee shall immediately take all reasonable steps to eliminate toxicity wherever possible and shall also submit a report, for the review and written approval of the Commissioner, which describes in detail the steps taken or that shall be taken to eliminate the toxic impacts of the discharge on the receiving water and it shall also include a proposed schedule for implementation. Such report shall be submitted in accordance with the timeframe set forth in Section 22a-430-3(j)(10)(C) of the Regs. Conn. State Agencies. The Permittee shall implement all actions in accordance with the approved report and schedule.

This permit is hereby issued on

JENNIFER PERRY, P.E.
Bureau Chief

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ATTACHMENT A

Supplemental Monitoring Data: DSN 008-1

Month: _____

Day	FLOW	pH (min)	pH (max)	MAX DAILY TEMP	NOAA STATION 8461490 TEMP	TEMP DIFFERENCE	HEAT LOAD
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National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit Factsheet

NPDES Permit Summary	
Applicant	Pfizer, Inc
Permit No.	CT0000957
Application No.	201814996
Date Application Received	November 20, 2018
Location Address	445 Eastern Point Rd, Groton, CT 06340-5157
Facility Contact	Eric Watters, EHS Lead Office Phone: 860-715-0088 Email: eric.watters@pfizer.com
Mailing Address	445 Eastern Point Rd, Groton, CT 06340-5157
Discharge Monitoring Report (“DMR”) Contact	Eric Watters, EHS Lead Office Phone: 860-715-0088 Email: eric.watters@pfizer.com
Secretary of State Business ID	0088341
Permit Term	5 Years
Permit Category	National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) MINOR (MI)
SIC & NAICS Code(S)	8731
Applicable Effluent Limit Guidelines (“ELGs”)	N/A
Permit Type	Reissuance
Ownership	Privately Owned Facility
Receiving Water	DSN 008: Thames River
Waterbody Segment Id's	DSN 008: CT-E1_014-SB
Waterbody Classification	SB
Discharge Locations	DSN 008: Latitude 41.33056, Longitude -72.07889
Compliance Schedule	N/A
Staff Engineer	Joseph Grandelski, Environmental Engineer Phone: 860-424-3608 E-Mail: joseph.grandelski@ct.gov

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Section 1 Facility Summary

1.1 Permit Fees

Application Fee:

Filing Fee	Invoice No.: DEP317856	Amount: \$1,300.00	Date Paid: 11/20/2018
Processing Fee	Invoice No.: N/A	Amount: None	Date Paid: N/A

Annual Fee:

Wastewater Category (per Regs. Conn. State Agencies Section 22a-430-7)	Flow Category	DSN	Annual Fee (per Regs. Conn. State Agencies Section 22a-430-7 and Conn. Gen. Stat. Section 22a-6f)
Blowdown from Heating and Cooling Equipment (bleed off or draining of boiler & minor leaks from a boiler; boiler blowdown; boiler lab testing wastewater; boiler washdown; chilled water; cleaning of chilled water strainers & filters; cooling tower blowdown/draining; West Basin cooling system strainer cleaning wastewater)	---	008-1	\$4,337.50
Hydrostatic Pressure Testing	0-50,000 gpd	008-1	\$660.00
Cooling Water (Non-Contact)	5,000 – 100,000 gpd	008-1	\$660.00
Stormwater (spill containment area stormwater; stormwater)	---	008-1	\$2,912.50
Water Production Wastewater (condensate polisher resin regeneration wastewater; reverse osmosis non-permeate; sand filter backwash; water softener regeneration wastewater)	---	008-1	\$660.00
Miscellaneous (air compressor/air dryer condensate; air conditioning condensate; backflow preventer & fire protection test water; building maintenance wastewater; deaerator and vent stack condensate; dewatering wastewater; eyewash stations and miscellaneous plant sinks; floor drain wastewater; primary neutralization system draining; pump seal water; raw water tank overflow; steam cleaning and power wash wastewater; steam condensate; wastewater drained from solids filter system)	---	008-1	\$0.00
TOTAL			\$9,230.00

1.2 Application Submittal Information

On November 20, 2018, the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (“DEEP”) received an application (Application 201814996) from Pfizer Inc. (“the Permittee”, “the Applicant”, “the facility”), located in Groton, CT, for the renewal of its NPDES Permit No. CT0000957, expiring on May 21, 2019 (“the previous permit”).

Consistent with the requirements of Section 22a-6g of the Connecticut General Statutes (Conn. Gen. Stat.), the Permittee published a Notice of Permit Application in *The Day* (New London) on October 30, 2018. On January 16, 2019, the application was determined to be timely and administratively sufficient.

The Permittee seeks authorization for the following in Application 201814996:

DSN	Proposed Average Daily Flow (gpd)	Proposed Maximum Daily Flow (gpd)	Proposed Wastestreams	Treatment Type	Discharge To
008-1	500,000	750,000	<p><i>Air compressor/air dryer condensate; Air conditioning condensate; Backflow preventer & fire protection test water; Bleed off or draining of boiler & minor leaks from a boiler; Boiler blowdown; Boiler lab testing wastewater; Boiler washdown; Building maintenance wastewater; Chilled water; Cleaning of chilled water strainers & filters; Condensate polisher resin regeneration wastewater; Cooling tower blowdown/draining; Deaerator and vent stack condensate; Dewatering wastewater; Eyewash stations and miscellaneous plant sinks; Floor drain wastewater; Hydrostatic test water; Non-contact cooling water; Primary neutralization system draining; Pump seal water; Raw water tank overflow; Reverse osmosis non-permeate; Sand filter backwash; Spill containment area stormwater; Steam cleaning and power wash wastewater; Steam condensate; Stormwater; Wastewater drained from solids filter system; Water softener regeneration wastewater; West Basin cooling system strainer cleaning wastewater</i></p>	<p>equalization; neutralization; heat dissipation/ removal;</p>	Thames River

Refer to Attachment 1 for a description of each wastestream and the chemicals that may be present in each wastestream.

1.3 Other Permits

The Permittee has permit coverage for other wastewater discharges under the following permitting mechanisms:

- Noncontact cooling water wastewater from Central Utilities Buildings 1 and 2 are permitted under the *Comprehensive General Permit for Discharges to Surface Water and Groundwater* (CTCSW0023).
- Miscellaneous wastewaters that are discharged to the sanitary sewer are permitted under the *General Permit for the Discharge of Wastewaters From Significant Industrial Users* (CTSIU0132), which includes air compressor condensate and blowdown, boiler blowdown, chilled and reheat water and steam condensate, liquid ring vacuum and compressor pump wastewater, water treatment wastewater, reverse osmosis reject water, building maintenance wastewater, fire suppression system testing wastewater, and noncontact cooling water.
- Other process and non-process wastewater is permitted under Pretreatment Permit SP0000083, which includes laboratory wastewaters, animal resource wastewater, miscellaneous condensate, pump seal water, fire suppression test water, domestic water released from relief valves and drains, discharge from steam and heat exchanger relief valves, discharge from backflow preventors, kilo laboratory wastewater, air compressor blowdown, groundwater, stormwater, discharge from steam and heat exchanger relief valves, water treatment wastewater, Research Pilot Plant wastewater & scrubber water.
- Domestic sewage wastewater is permitted under the *Domestic Sewage Wastewater General Permit* (GDS000021 & GDS000019).

1.4 Description of Industrial Process

Pfizer Inc. is a business that performs research and development of pharmaceutical products. The Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) code for site activities is 8731 (Commercial Physical and Biological Research). The treatment system is used to treat wastewater from the power plant that provides steam and electricity to the site for heating, ventilation, and air conditioning, which the facility refers to as "Utilities." This wastewater is discharged to the Thames River by way of DSN 008-1 under this permit. Historically, Pfizer conducted pharmaceutical manufacturing, however, these operations ceased in 2007.

1.5 Facility Description

See Attachment 2 for a facility map.

Pfizer Inc. is located on approximately 160 acres, which consists of two campuses on opposite sides of Eastern Point Road. The East Campus is dedicated to pharmaceutical research and development activities and contains hundreds of labs and related support operations. Any laboratory wastewaters associated with research and development are collected, treated, and discharged into the City of Groton's sewer system; these discharges are authorized under Pretreatment Permit SP0000083 (see Section 1.3 – Other Permits). The West Campus is located adjacent to the Thames River. The discharges associated with this permit are related to the facility's support/utilities operations. The Pfizer Utilities team produces electricity, steam, and chilled water that is used to support operations at the Groton site. The Utilities operations are located in Buildings 84, 101, 160, 165, and 168. Power generation equipment includes boilers, gas and steam turbines, cooling towers, and boiler water treatment systems.

Electricity is generated from steam turbines with steam produced from boilers fired with natural gas or fuel oil. A cogeneration turbine utilizing a fuel combustion turbine and a heat recovery boiler provides up to 10.5 megawatts of electricity and 110,000 lbs/hr of steam for the facility. Reduced steam pressure from the turbines is used for heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC). Steam condensate is returned to Building 101 as feed water for the boilers. Two small cooling towers on the roof of Building 101, the Building 84 cooling tower, and a small cooling tower at Building 160 provide closed-loop cooling for turbine generator air and oil coolers, generator heat exchangers, and oil coolers on a natural gas compressor and turbine generator. Chilled water is used for building air conditioning. The water is cooled with electric chillers. The water used in these processes is from city water.

1.6 Facility Changes

The Regulations of the Connecticut State Agencies (“Regs. Conn. State Agencies”) require that permittees notify DEEP and obtain written approval of any facility expansion or process change that may result in an increased or new discharge or constitute a new source, and of any expansion or significant changes made to a wastewater collection system, treatment system, or its method of operation in accordance with Regs. Conn. State Agencies Section 22a-430-3(i). These regulatory provisions are commonly referred to as “3(i) determinations”. DEEP will review the notification and determine if the change can be implemented under the current permit or if the requested change requires a permit modification to protect waters of the State in accordance with Regs. Conn. State Agencies Section 22a-430-4(p).

The permit was modified as follows:

A minor permit modification issued October 10, 2014, addressed the following:

- Added “power washing of the Building 84 metal fan deck and blades, plastic tower media, and concrete basin” to the list of waste streams;
- The method of analysis changed from “EPA Method 6020 & 1640 with chelation” to “EPA Method 6020 or 1640 with chelation”;
- The age of *Americamysis bahia* changed from “1-5 days old with no more than 24-hour range in age” to “7 days old”. The age of *Cyrinodon variegatus* changed from “1-14 days old with no more than 24-hour range in age” to “less than 24 hours”;
- Reporting of supplemental monitoring associated with chronic toxicity testing was added to the requirements of Attachment A; and
- The number of toxicity replicate test chambers per concentration listed in Attachment D changed from 12 to 8 for *Americamysis bahia* and 6 to 4 for *Cyrinodon variegatus*.

A permit modification, issued February 26, 2016, for the elimination of once-through cooling water, reduced the maximum permitted flow of DSN 008-1 from 45.0 million gallons per day (“mgd”) to 750,000 gallons per day (“gpd”) and removed Intake 01H & DSN 009-1, consisting of a discharge of traveling screen backwash associated with the saltwater intake. To accommodate the significant reduction of flow and provide treatment of the remaining Utilities’ wastewaters, the Permittee installed a new neutralization system in Building 168, and a modular splash fill pack and spray nozzle system to provide cooling of the wastewater in the basin. See Section 1.7 – Treatment System Description for more information. Additional flow monitoring and sensing equipment was also installed both at the basin and as part of the neutralization system in Building 168.

The following 3(i) determinations have been approved during the previous permit term:

Date Issued	3(i) Number	3(i) Description	Change Implemented
03/31/2015	201502166	Approved the temporary bypass of the West Equalizing Basin to allow for the installation of a concrete wall in Area 2 of the basin.	Yes
10/14/2015	201506294	Approved the temporary storage of chilled water drained from the chilled water supply and return lines as part of facility changes to comply with Section 10(A) of the previous permit.	Yes
12/10/2015	201509256	Approval of the temporary change to discharge via both DSN 008-1 and DSN 007-1 (a historic emergency outfall for DSN 008-1) to address Section 10 requirements of the previous permit.	Yes
4/05/2016	201603710	Approved the elimination of pH probes 1 and 1A from Area 1 of the West Equalizing Basin, which were associated with former manufacturing and biological treatment operations and approved the use of either sodium hydroxide or a blend of sodium and potassium hydroxide for pH adjustment in the primary neutralization system in Building 168 and the secondary neutralization system in Area 2 of the Basin.	Yes
1/19/2017	201615454	Approved the substitution of NALCO 7290E as a resin cleaner in the condensate polisher regeneration cycle for NALCO 4264; substitution of NALCO 3D Trasar 3DT494 as a corrosion inhibitor in the cooling towers for NALCO 3D Trasar 3DT294; and the discharge of stormwater from roof drains on Buildings 101, 165, 168 into the wastewater treatment system discharged via DSN 008-1.	Yes
3/10/2017	201701211	Approved the replacement of the secondary neutralization system in the southern end of the West Equalizing Basin with a new system sized for the current operating conditions, which includes relocating existing pH probes to new areas in the Basin and installation of piping in the Basin to allow water to be recirculated from Area 2 to Area 1 for pH control/adjustment.	Yes
3/02/2018	201710273	Approved planned/unplanned bypass of the primary neutralization system for assessment or repair. In such cases, the secondary neutralization system associated with the West Equalizing Basin will be used.	Yes
11/05/2018	201813788	Approved the installation of a bag filter in the piping system prior to Tank T100 to remove accumulated solids in the Pump Stations #2 and #4.	Yes
3/27/2020	202002978	Approved the expansion of the “dewatering wastewater” waste stream to include dewatering on-site vaults, tunnels, and manholes that contain steam condensate piping/equipment to allow for safe entry to perform inspections and maintenance or protect the equipment	Yes

Date Issued	3(i) Number	3(i) Description	Change Implemented
		from high water levels. Approved the expansion of the “steam condensate” waste stream to include incidental steam condensate that may be comingled with the dewatering wastewater.	
7/21/2020	202007893	Approved the mechanical removal of weeds/algae and bottom sediment from the West Equalizing Basin and powerwashing the sides of the basin using wastewater from the basin.	Yes
8/12/2020	202008824	Approved the replacement of a corrosion inhibitor with Nalco Trac 114 Plus.	Yes
5/17/2022	202205838	Approved a decrease of the calibration frequency of the West Basin pH probes 2,3,4,5 from weekly to monthly.	Yes
4/10/2023	202302248	Approved the installation of Airmax PondSeries PS 40 Aeration in the West Equalizing Basin to reduce organic growth in the basin.	Yes
5/02/2024	202405093	Approved an additional aeration system (Airmax LakeSeries LS80 Aeration System) to Area 1 of the West Equalizing Basin and moving the diffuser locations within the basin as conditions warrant.	No
6/07/2024	202405198	Approved the installation of advanced oxidation water treatment within the condenser water loops (FlowMark Water Treatment Model DS-PI-3 in Building 84 and Model DS-PI-2 in Buildings 101 and 160). The proposed oxidation system consists of UV lamps that produce ozone, which acts as a disinfectant/biocide in the system.	No

1.7 Treatment System Description

A portion of Utilities’ wastewater from the Power Plant (Buildings 101, 165, and 168) and all of the Utilities’ wastewater from the Cogen Building (B160) discharge through a combination of drains and collection piping into Pump Station No. 2 (“PS2”). The remainder of the Utilities’ wastewater from the Power Plant discharges through drains and collection piping into Pump Station No. 4 (“PS4”). Additional wastewater from stormwater and smaller Utilities operations are also sent to PS2 & PS4 via drains and collection piping. Stormwater from the southern portion of the plant footprint flows directly into the West Equalizing Basin (treatment through equalization). The PS2 and PS4 vaults are interconnected so if a pump is disabled in one vault, the water will flow into the other vault.

The combined wastewater from PS2 and PS4 is pumped through two bag filter units that remove solids prior to being treated in the Burt Process Equipment (“BPE”) Primary Neutralization System, located on the first floor of B168. This consists of a 5000-gallon pretreatment & equalization tank (T-100) and two 3,000-gallon tanks that provides coarse (T-200) and fine (T-300) pH adjustment. Wastewater is then pumped through a 1,000-gallon transfer station (T-400) to Manhole No. 11 at the northern end of the West Equalizing Basin. Additionally, floor drain wastewater from Building 160 is directed to an oil/water separator before flowing to PS2.

Wastewater flows by gravity from Manhole No. 11 within the West Equalizing Basin, into Area 1. Monitoring of pH is performed at the southern end of Area 1 (Probe 2). From Area 1, the wastewater flows into the southern portion of Area 2, where additional pH monitoring (Probe 3) and secondary neutralization (treatment in a second BPE system) is performed, if necessary. In the case that the primary BPE requires maintenance or repair, this system is allowed to be bypassed as long as the secondary BPE is operational.

The wastewater continues to flow to the northern portion of Area 2, where the temperature is monitored and cooling (treatment) of the wastewater is performed if necessary. The cooling system operates by spraying the wastewater over a modular splash fill pack suspended over the basin's water surface, releasing as much as 7,500 thousand BTUs per hour (MBH) to the air. The final portion of Area 2 contains the effluent pH (Probe 5) and flow monitoring. The wastewater then flows to Area 3, which contains the discharge pipe out to the Thames River (DSN 008).

Additional ancillary equipment in the basin includes an oil boom and oil skimmer in Area 1. Area 1 also contains an aeration system to prevent organic growth, which consists of submerged diffusers.

1.8 Compliance History

Based on DMRs and Aquatic Toxicity Monitoring Reports (“ATMRs”) submitted to DEEP, the Permittee reported the following effluent violations in the last five years:

Effluent Violations in The Past 5 Years					
Month/ Year	DSN	Parameter	Type of Limit	Permitted Limit	Reported Value
08/2021	008-1	Di[2-ethylhexyl] phthalate [DEHP]	Daily Maximum	3.2 µg/L	6.05 µg/L
09/2021	008-1	Solids, total suspended	Monthly Average	20.0 mg/L	32.0 mg/L
09/2021	008-1	Solids, total suspended	Daily Maximum	30.0 mg/L	32.0 mg/L

The exceedance of DEHP was investigated, including operations and sample collection setup and the cause was inconclusive. Composite sampling conducted the following days returned non-detect results.

The exceedance of TSS was thought to have occurred due to a significant, episodic rain event associated with Hurricane Ida and was not representative of normal Utilities' wastewater discharge.

1.8.1 Is the Permittee subject to an ongoing enforcement action? Yes No

Notice of Violation (“NOV”) NOVWRIN16026 was issued on December 5, 2016, for discharging boiler house operations wastewater to the ground without a permit, discharging stormwater from roof drains through DSN 008 without a permit, and not accurately reporting total residual chlorine. An approval of 3i Application No. 201615454 was issued on January 19, 2017, and approved the discharge of stormwater from roof drains on Buildings 101, 165, 168 into the wastewater treatment system discharged via DSN 008-1. The NOV was closed on March 15, 2024.

1.8.2 Did the previous permit have a compliance schedule? Yes No

Section 10(A) of the previous permit included a compliance schedule, which required Pfizer to implement closed-cycle cooling as the best technology available to comply with Section 316(b) of the Clean Water Act (“CWA”). DEEP approved the plan and schedule titled *Section 10(A)(1) – Plan & Schedule for Cooling Water Project* to expand and upgrade the cooling tower on September 19, 2014. Pfizer ceased the use of once-through noncontact cooling water on March 10, 2016, and submitted certification to DEEP on March

31, 2016, that the 316(b) project was complete and they had eliminated the use of the intake structure, in accordance with Section 10(A)(3) of the previous permit. DEEP approved the certification on April 6, 2016.

In order to accommodate this change, Pfizer modified the basin for lower daily flows by installing a reinforced concrete wall near the northern end of Area 2 with a trapezoidal weir at the top of the basin, and two 8-inch pipes through Area 3 to the final discharge. An oil boom and skimmer system were installed in Area 1. A cooling system was installed in Area 2, along with pH and temperature sensors and flowmeters.

In other areas of West Campus, Pfizer installed a new chiller system (Building 90), modified the cooling tower (Building 84), installed a new chiller pad (former Building 126), installed oil water separators (Building 101), added a BPE Primary Neutralization (Building 168) to treat the remaining wastewaters flowing through PS2 and PS4.

Section 10(H) of the permit modification issued on February 26, 2016, included additional requirements to investigate the inconsistencies of copper levels in the Thames River and investigate whether the minimum levels listed in Table A of the previous permit are the lowest minimum levels achievable. The *Thames River Copper Levels Study* was received on April 7, 2017. It noted possible interferences in the receiving water sampling due to high salt (dissolved solids) content, which also coincided with the Permittee switching from EPA Method 200.7 to EPA Method 200.8 to achieve a lower minimum level (“ML”). In the last five years Thames River samples, analyzed with EPA Method 200.8, have not shown elevated levels, but have averaged 5.7 µg/L (see Section 3.6 – Waterbody Ambient Conditions).

DEEP issued an approval of an extension request for the ML study until September 1, 2016, and Pfizer submitted the *Section 10: Compliance Schedule Minimum Levels Study* on August 22, 2016. Pfizer submitted an updated evaluation of MLs in 2018 with the NPDES permit renewal application. See Section 3.11.1 – Sufficiently Sensitive Methods for a discussion of MLs incorporated into the permit.

1.9 General Issues Related To The Application

1.9.1 Federally Recognized Indian Land

As provided in the permit application, the site is not located on federally-recognized Indian land.

1.9.2 Coastal Area/Coastal Boundary

The application is not for a new permit or a modification of an existing permit where the physical footprint of the subject activities is modified.

1.9.3 Endangered Species

The site is not located within an area identified as a habitat for endangered, threatened or special concern species according to the *Surface Water Discharge NDDB Screening Map (formerly the Freshwater Mussel map)*.

1.9.4 Aquifer Protection Areas

As provided in the permit application, the site is not located within a protected area identified on a Level A or B map.

1.9.5 Conservation or Preservation Restriction

As provided in the permit application, the property is not subject to a conservation or preservation restriction.

1.9.6 Public Water Supply Watershed

As provided in the permit application, the site is not located within a public water supply watershed.

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Section 2 Receiving Water Body Information

The receiving waterbody is the estuary at the mouth of the Thames River. This segment of the Thames River is identified as CT-E1_014-SB and includes the mouth of the Thames River from Eastern Point to the I-95 crossing. It is classified as SB because it is tidal. According to Regs. Conn. State Agencies 22a-426-4(j), the designated uses for Class SB waters are: (1) habitat for marine fish, other aquatic life and wildlife; (2) commercial shellfish harvesting, where authorized; (3) recreation; (4) industrial water supply; and (5) navigation.

This segment of the Thames River was assessed in 2022 according to the Connecticut 305b Assessment Results for Estuaries ([final-2022-iwqr-appendix-a-3-connecticut-305b-assessment-results-for-estuaries.pdf](#)) and is listed in Connecticut's 2022 Integrated Water Quality Report as being impaired. The two impaired designated uses are habitat for marine fish, other aquatic life and wildlife caused by low dissolved oxygen levels and shellfish harvesting due to fecal coliform ([final-2022-iwqr-appendix-b-1-list-of-impaired-waters-for-connecticut-epa-category-5.pdf](#)).

The dissolved oxygen impairment identified in this receiving water is directly linked to the Long Island Sound (“LIS”) Total Maximum Daily Load (“TMDL”) titled *A Total Maximum Daily Load Analysis to Achieve Water Quality Standards for Dissolved Oxygen in Long Island Sound* (https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/deep/water/lis_water_quality/nitrogen_control_program/tmdlpdf.pdf), which was developed to address low dissolved oxygen levels in LIS. The LIS TMDL focuses on excess nitrogen loading as the primary cause of hypoxia, rather than low dissolved oxygen resulting directly from end-of-pipe discharges. Elevated nitrogen inputs stimulate algal growth, and the subsequent decomposition of organic matter depletes oxygen in bottom waters, leading to dissolved oxygen impairment. The facility has been assigned a waste load allocation (“WLA”) for total nitrogen, which has been incorporated into this permit. See Section 3.8 of this fact sheet for further discussion of the annual loading limit for total nitrogen.

The discharge is not expected to have an impact on dissolved oxygen levels in the receiving water. Monitoring for dissolved oxygen was conducted during the previous permit term, and the lowest reported concentration was 8.0 mg/L. Therefore, dissolved oxygen monitoring is not being required in this permit.

Segment CT-E1_014-SB was incorporated into the statewide TMDL for bacteria-impaired waters in September 2013, as documented in *Estuary 11: New London / Groton* (<https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/deep/water/tmdl/ctfinalmdl/estuary11newlondongroton>). The facility was not designated a WLA in the TMDL because compliance with this TMDL is based on ambient water quality and not water quality at the point of discharge (i.e., end of pipe). Stormwater is a component of the discharge, and the TMDL identified stormwater as a potential bacteria source in the river segment. Fecal coliform is the indicator species used to assess shellfish uses in saltwater. Monitoring during the previous permit term indicated that fecal coliform is present in the discharge, therefore, monitoring of fecal coliform continues to be required in the permit. In the previous permit, samples were collected quarterly during the period May 1st through September 30th, which is the duration of the recreation season, however the applicable season for shellfish use is year-round, therefore, monitoring for fecal coliform will now be required semi-annually, which will capture the seasonal variability of the presence of bacteria.

See Attachment 2 for a USGS Quadrangle map showing the discharge location in the Thames River.

Section 3 Permit Conditions and Effluent Limitations

3.1 Effluent Guidelines

The following ELGs were reviewed to determine their applicability to the facility's discharge, DSN 008-1: 40 CFR Part 423 (Steam Electric Power Generating Point Source Category) and 40 CFR Part 439 (Pharmaceutical Manufacturing Point Source Category).

The EPA's *Guidance for NPDES Permits Issued to Electric Cogenerating Plants and Industrial Facilities with Electric Generating Plants* dated June 30, 1988, addressed the question if the requirements of 40 CFR Part 423 were applicable to an industrial site with a cogenerating plant or a steam electric power generating facility. The guidance specified that the requirements are specifically applicable in the cases that all of the following conditions are met:

1. At least 50% of the facility revenue is derived from the generation of electricity;
2. At least 50% of the fuel is oil, gas, coal, and/or nuclear;
3. A steam-electric cycle is used; and
4. A discharge exists to waters of the United States or a POTW.

Pfizer does not derive at least 50% of its revenue from the generation of electricity, so the ELGs at 40 CFR Part 423 are not applicable.

The composition of wastewater in DSN 008-1 is similar to that of "low volume waste sources" defined at 40 CFR 423.11, which are limited by total suspended solids ("TSS"). This was considered when developing case-by-case Technology Based Effluent Limits ("TBELs"), described in Section 3.9.

Additionally, Pfizer is not subject to the ELGs at 40 CFR Part 439, which applies to pharmaceutical manufacturing. Pfizer ceased pharmaceutical manufacturing operations on-site and closed its biological wastewater treatment system in 2008. Subpart E – Research is also not applicable because any wastewaters associated with pharmaceutical research are discharged to the sanitary sewer.

3.2 Pollutants of Concern

The following pollutants have been identified as pollutants of concern and are included as monitoring requirements in the permit for the reasons noted below:

Pollutant	Reason For Inclusion			
	Pollutant With an Applicable Technology-Based Limit	Pollutant With a WLA from a TMDL	Pollutant Identified as Present in The Effluent Through Sampling	Pollutant Otherwise Expected to Be Present in The Effluent
Biochemical Oxygen Demand, 5-Day			X	
Bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate			X	
Chlorine, Total Residual			X	
Chromium, Total			X	
Copper, Total			X	
Fecal coliform			X	
Iron, Total			X	

Pollutant	Reason For Inclusion			
	Pollutant With an Applicable Technology-Based Limit	Pollutant With a WLA from a TMDL	Pollutant Identified as Present in The Effluent Through Sampling	Pollutant Otherwise Expected to Be Present in The Effluent
Lead, Total			X	
Nickel, Total			X	
Nitrogen, Ammonia Total			X	
Nitrogen, Kjeldahl Total			X	
Nitrogen, Nitrate Total			X	
Nitrogen, Nitrite Total				X
Nitrogen, Total		X		
Oil and Grease, Total			X	
pH			X	
TSS			X	
Temperature			X	
Zinc, Total			X	

3.3 Basis for Limits

Technology and water-quality based requirements are considered when developing permit limits. TBELs represent the minimum level of control imposed under the CWA. Industry-specific technology-based limits are set forth in 40 CFR Sections 405 – 471 (EPA’s ELGs) and in Regs. Conn. State Agencies Section 22a-430-4(s)(2). Water quality-based limits are designed to protect water quality and are determined using the procedures set forth in EPA’s *Technical Support Document for Water Quality-Based Toxics Control*, 1991 (“TSD”). When both technology and water quality-based limits apply to a particular pollutant, the more stringent limit would apply. In addition, water quality-based limits are required when any pollutant or pollutant parameter (conventional, non-conventional, toxic, and whole effluent toxicity) is or may be discharged at a level that causes, has reasonable potential to cause, or contributes to an excursion above any water quality criteria. Numeric water quality criteria are found in Regs. Conn. State Agencies Section 22a-429-9 of the WQS.

3.4 Zone of Influence

A zone of influence (“ZOI”) of 1,229,167 gallons per hour was carried over from the previous permit, based on the dilution factor of 60:1. The ZOI is not applicable to bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate, which has the health designation of carcinogenic and high potential to bioaccumulate or bioconcentrate in the WQS. The ZOI is based on a dye study that was conducted by Metcalf & Eddy in July and September 1986 during spring and neap tides and documented in the report *Water Quality and Hydraulic Studies in the Lower Thames River* dated July 6, 1987. The results indicated that conditions observed under the spring tide resulted in the lowest level of dilution. See Attachment 3 for maps of the dilution factors determined in that study. The previous permit determined that this is the smallest mixing zone that would meet all applicable criteria.

3.5 Reasonable Potential Analysis

Pursuant to CWA Section 301(b)(1)(C) and 40 CFR Section 122.44(d)(1), NPDES permits must contain any requirements in addition to TBELs that are necessary to achieve water quality standards established under Section 303 of the CWA. See also 33 United States Code (“USC”) Section 1311(b)(1)(C). In addition, limitations “must control any pollutant or pollutant parameter (conventional, non-conventional, or toxic) which the permitting authority determines are or may be discharged at a level which will cause, have the reasonable potential to cause, or contribute to an excursion above any water quality standard, including State narrative criteria for water quality.” 40 CFR Section 122.44(d)(1)(i). To determine if the discharge causes, or has the reasonable potential to cause, or contribute to an excursion above any WQS, EPA considers: 1) existing controls on point and non-point sources of pollution; 2) the variability of the pollutant or pollutant parameter in the effluent; 3) the sensitivity of the species to toxicity testing (when evaluating whole effluent toxicity); and 4) where appropriate, the dilution of the effluent by the receiving water. See 40 CFR Section 122.44(d)(1)(ii).

If the permitting authority determines that the discharge of a pollutant will cause, has the reasonable potential to cause, or contribute to an excursion above WQSs, the permit must contain Water Quality Based Effluent Limits (“WQBELs”), or require additional monitoring if there is insufficient data to develop a WQBEL for that pollutant. See 40 CFR Section 122.44(d)(1)(i).

Reasonable Potential Analysis Results:

A reasonable potential analysis (“RPA”) was conducted for the following parameters: ammonia, bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate, chlorine, chromium, copper, iron, lead, nickel, and zinc. Bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate, copper, and nickel have been determined to have a reasonable potential to contribute or cause an excursion above the WQS. Copper and nickel had been monitored on a quarterly basis, with at least 20 data points available to calculate a coefficient of variation. Both copper and nickel were found to have reasonable potential to exceed the water quality criteria due to elevated levels of these pollutants already being present in the receiving water. The results of the analysis are provided in the table below.

Reasonable Potential Analysis				
Parameter	Projected maximum effluent concentration C_e	Projected maximum receiving water concentration $\frac{Q_e C_e + Q_u C_u}{Q_d}$	Most stringent criteria	Is there reasonable potential to exceed WQC?
Ammonia	$0.23 \times 2.9 = 0.67 \text{ mg/L}$	0.059 mg/L	0.76 mg/L	No
Bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate ¹	$6.05 \times 2.0 = 12.1 \mu\text{g/L}$	12.1 $\mu\text{g/L}$	2.2 $\mu\text{g/L}$	YES
Total Residual Chlorine	$90 \times 2.0 = 180 \mu\text{g/L}$	7.0 $\mu\text{g/L}$	7.5 $\mu\text{g/L}$	No
Chromium	$10 \times 3.2 = 32 \mu\text{g/L}$	0.75 $\mu\text{g/L}$	42 $\mu\text{g/L}$	No
Copper	$35.9 \times 2.6 = 93.3 \mu\text{g/L}$	7.2 $\mu\text{g/L}$	3.1 $\mu\text{g/L}$	YES
Iron	$1300 \times 4.2 = 5460 \mu\text{g/L}$	178 $\mu\text{g/L}$	1000 $\mu\text{g/L}$	No
Lead	$3.4 \times 3.8 = 12.9 \mu\text{g/L}$	0.30 $\mu\text{g/L}$	8.1 $\mu\text{g/L}$	No

Reasonable Potential Analysis				
Parameter	Projected maximum effluent concentration C_e	Projected maximum receiving water concentration $\frac{Q_e C_e + Q_u C_u}{Q_d}$	Most stringent criteria	Is there reasonable potential to exceed WQC?
Nickel	$212 \times 6.8 = 1442 \mu\text{g/L}$	$30.7 \mu\text{g/L}$	$8.2 \mu\text{g/L}$	YES
Zinc	$80 \times 3.2 = 256 \mu\text{g/L}$	$5.6 \mu\text{g/L}$	$81 \mu\text{g/L}$	No
$Q_u = \text{ZOI} = 1,229,167 \text{ gph}$; $Q_e = 500,000 \text{ gpd} = 20,833 \text{ gph}$; $Q_d = Q_u + Q_e = 1,250,000 \text{ gph}$; $C_u = \text{upstream concentration}$; $C_e = (\text{maximum observed concentration in effluent}) \times (\text{multiplier from Table 3-1 of EPA's TSD})$; $C_d = \text{calculated downstream concentration}$				
¹ No ZOI is considered for bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate as it is defined in Regs. Conn. State Agencies 22a-426-9(a) as carcinogenic with high potential to bioaccumulate or bioconcentrate.				

Bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate:

The governing water quality criteria for bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate is the human health criteria and is classified in the WQS (Regs. Conn. State Agencies 22a-426-9) as a possible/probable carcinogen with high potential to bioaccumulate or bioconcentrate, so this parameter was evaluated for the potential to exceed the WQS at the end-of-pipe.

Total Ammonia Nitrogen:

In order to conduct an RPA for ammonia, the acute (35 $\mu\text{g/L}$) and chronic (233 $\mu\text{g/L}$) criteria that are applicable to Class SB surface waters needs to be converted from un-ionized ammonia to total ammonia. As specified in Regs. Conn. State Agencies 22a-426-9, this is done according to EPA's *Ambient Water Quality Criteria for Ammonia (Saltwater)-1989* (EPA 440/5-88-004). This document specifies this conversion is highly influenced by pH and temperature, with higher pH and higher temperature corresponding to more restrictive criteria, and slightly correlated with salinity, with lower salinity associated with more restrictive criteria. The criteria were calculated using maximum observed pH and temperature values and minimum observed salinity value, which would result in the most protective criteria. The ambient data for temperature in Section 3.6 represent average and maximum values for summer temperatures.

The guidance specifies that the percentage of un-ionized ammonia ("UIA") is based on pK_a and pH. Theoretical models for pK_a were developed by Whitfield and described in the 1974 paper *The hydrolysis of ammonia ions in sea water - a theoretical study*. Hampson then developed a program to in his 1977 paper *Relationship between total ammonia and free ammonia in terrestrial and ocean waters*, which uses the following equations:

$$\% \text{ UIA} = \frac{100}{1 + 10^{(pK_a + 0.0324(298-T) + 0.0415\frac{P}{T} - pH)}}$$

Where P = 1 ATM, T is temperature ($^{\circ}\text{K}$).

$$pK_a = 9.245 + 0.116I$$

Which is the Model B regression equation developed by Whitfield, 1974.

$$I = \frac{19.9273S}{1000 - 1.005109S}$$

Where I is the molar ionic strength and S is salinity.

Next, the water quality criteria (expressed as un-ionized ammonia) are converted to total ammonia:

$$[NH_3 + NH_4^+] = \frac{Un - ionized WQC}{\% UIA}$$

Finally, total ammonia is converted to a concentration of total ammonia as nitrogen using a conversion factor of 0.822, which is equivalent to the percent molecular mass of N in NH₃:

$$0.822 = \frac{14.00674}{14.00674 + 3(1.00794)} = \frac{\text{molecular mass of N}}{\text{molecular mass of } NH_3}$$

$$\text{Total Ammonia as N} = 0.822[NH_3 + NH_4^+]$$

Temp (deg C)	pH (su)	Salinity (ppt)	Pressure (ATM)	Molal Ionic Strength (not valid if >0.85):	pKa* @ 25 deg C	% Unionized:	Unionized WQC		Total NH3		Total NH3 as N	
							Acute mg/L	Chronic mg/L	Acute mg/L	Chronic mg/L	Acute mg/L	Chronic mg/L
21.0	8.0	12.0	1.0	0.242	9.273	3.805%	0.233	0.035	6.12	0.92	5.03	0.76

The most stringent acute and chronic criteria for total ammonia (as N) are 5.03 mg/L and 0.76 mg/L, respectively, which would be protective of the segment of the Thames at critical conditions of maximum temperature, maximum pH, and minimum salinity that have been observed over the past 5 years.

3.6 Waterbody Ambient Conditions

Ambient Thames River samples were collected upstream of Pfizer's discharge semiannually with chronic toxicity testing. The data collected between March 2020 and February 2025 showed the following average background concentrations, which represent the upstream ambient water quality conditions that were used in the reasonable potential analysis.

Thames River Background Concentrations of Pollutants, 2020-2025	
Pollutant	Concentration
Ammonia	0.049 mg/L
Bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate	0.21 µg/L
Chlorine	4.0 µg/L
Chromium	0.22 µg/L
Copper	5.7 µg/L
Iron	88.6 µg/L
Lead	0.090 µg/L
Nickel	6.8 µg/L
Zinc	1.4 µg/L

Ambient Measurements for Ammonia Calculations			
Parameter	Average	Minimum	Maximum
pH (S.U.)	7.6	6.4	8.0
Temperature (°C)	16.0	11.5	20.7
Salinity (g/L)	23	12	30

3.7 Whole Effluent Toxicity

The Permittee shall comply with effluent standards or prohibitions established by CWA Section 307(a) and Regs. Conn. State Agencies Section 22a-430-4(l) and may not discharge toxic pollutants in concentrations or combinations that are harmful to humans, animals, or aquatic life. If toxicity is suspected in the effluent, DEEP may require the Permittee to perform acute or chronic whole effluent toxicity testing.

The previous permit required Pfizer to perform acute and chronic aquatic toxicity testing on a semi-annual basis for DSN 008-1. These tests were conducted simultaneously using a modified acute toxicity test, in which the Permittee demonstrated compliance with the acute toxicity limit by measuring the 48-hour survival of the prescribed species during the chronic toxicity test, provided that the control met the test acceptability criteria of 90% survival at 48 hours.

Chronic toxicity test methods are not approved for use to determine acute toxicity in 40 CFR Part 136. Additionally, EPA's recently published *National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Whole Effluent Toxicity Permit Writers' Manual* (EPA-833-B-24-001) does not recommend this approach. Acute toxicity monitoring is now required to be conducted following the procedures described in *Methods for Measuring the Acute Toxicity of Effluents and Receiving Waters to Freshwater and Marine Organisms* (EPA-821-R-02-012), which is the approved method in 40 CFR Part 136. A minimum daily limit for acute toxicity of $LC_{50} \geq 100\%$ effluent was included in the permit, consistent with Regs. Conn. State Agencies Section 22a-430-3(j)(7)(A)(i) and 22a-430-4(l)(5).

The average salinity of the receiving water during the last 5 years was 23 ppt. Therefore, consistent with Regs. Conn. State Agencies 22a-430-3(j)(7)(A)(iii), the test species to be used in the aquatic toxicity tests are *Americamysis bahia* (formerly *Mysidopsis bahia*) and *Cyprinodon variegatus*.

The need for more stringent limits was evaluated via reasonable potential analysis.

Reasonable Potential Analysis:

The Permittee conducted semi-annual acute and chronic aquatic toxicity testing. The test results from the previous five years are listed below:

Aquatic Toxicity Results, 2020-2025				
Monitoring Period End Date	Acute, 48-hr		Chronic, 7-day	
	LC ₅₀ Static 48Hr Acute <i>Americamysis bahia</i> (formerly <i>Mysidopsis bahia</i>)	LC ₅₀ Static 48Hr Acute <i>Cyprinodon variegatus</i>	IC ₂₅ (growth) <i>Americamysis bahia</i>	IC ₂₅ (growth) <i>Cyprinodon variegatus</i>
8/31/2020	100	100	100	100
2/28/2021	100	100	100	100
8/31/2021	100	100	100	100
2/28/2022	100	100	100	100
8/31/2022	100	100	100	100
2/28/2023	100	100	100	100
8/31/2023	100	100	100	100
2/29/2024	100	100	100	100
8/31/2024	100	100	100	100
2/28/2025	100	100	100	100

The most toxic data was at LC₅₀ = 100% and IC₂₅ = 100%.

Converting to Toxic Units:

$$TUa = \frac{100}{LC_{50}} = \frac{100}{100} = 1.00 \text{ TUa}$$

$$TUC = \frac{100}{IC_{25}} = \frac{100}{100} = 1.00 \text{ TUC}$$

A standard coefficient of variation of 0.6 is assumed, which corresponds to a statistical multiplier of 3.0 for n=10.

The EPA's TSD recommends using acute toxicity criteria of TUa = 0.3 and TUC = 1.0.

Projected TUa and TUC in the receiving water, using a dilution of 1.67% at the edge of the mixing zone:

$$\text{Projected TUa} = 1.00 \times 3.0 \times 0.0167 = 0.050$$

$$\text{Projected TUC} = 1.00 \times 3.0 \times 0.0167 = 0.053$$

Both the projected TUa and TUC are below the EPA's recommended aquatic toxicity criteria of TUa = 0.3 and TUC = 1.0.

Effluent Limits:

The results of the reasonable potential analysis indicate that the current minimum daily effluent limit for DSN 008-1 of LC₅₀ ≥ 100% effluent for acute toxicity is protective. This limit is maintained in the permit, consistent with Regs. Conn. State Agencies Section 22a-430-3(j)(7)(A)(i) and 22a-430-4(l)(5). Semi-

annual acute and chronic aquatic toxicity monitoring is maintained in the permit to determine compliance with the acute toxicity limit and continue monitoring for potential chronic impacts.

3.8 Water Quality Based Effluent Limitations (“WQBELs”)

The CWA and federal regulations require that effluent limitations based on water quality considerations be established for point source discharges when such limitations are necessary to meet state or federal water quality standards that are applicable to the designated receiving water. This is necessary when less stringent TBELs would interfere with the attainment or maintenance of water quality criteria in the receiving water. See CWA Section 301(b)(1)(C) and 40 CFR Section 122.44(d)(1), 122.44(d)(5), 125.84(e) and 125.94(i).

The RPA described in Section 3.5 indicated that WQBELs are needed for bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate, copper, and nickel. The permit limit for bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate is calculated consistent with the recommendations in EPA’s TSD for permitting for human health protection. This includes setting the average monthly limit (“AML”) equal to the WLA and calculating the maximum daily limit (“MDL”) using an AML/MDL ratio provided in Table 5-3 of the TSD. Calculations of limits based on the RPA are provided in the table below.

WQBEL Calculations												
Determine WLA												
Parameter	$WLA_{ac} = \frac{(QC)_d - (QC)_u}{Q_e}$	$WLA_{ch} = \frac{(QC)_d - (QC)_u}{Q_e}$	$WLA_{HH} = \frac{(QC)_d - (QC)_u}{Q_e}$									
Bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate ¹ ($\mu\text{g/L}$)	---	---			2.2							
Copper ($\mu\text{g/L}$)	288	186			156,002							
Nickel ($\mu\text{g/L}$)	4038	90.8			575,608							
Determine Long Term Averages (“LTA”) and Permit Limits												
Parameter	$LTA_{ac} = WLA_{ac} \times 99^{\text{th}}$ percentile multiplier (Table 5-1 of EPA’s TSD)	$LTA_{ch} = WLA_{ch} \times 99^{\text{th}}$ percentile multiplier (Table 5-1 of EPA’s TSD)	$LTA_{HH} = WLA_{HH}$	Governing LTA	$AML = LTA \times 95^{\text{th}}$ percentile multiplier (Table 5-2 of EPA’s TSD)	$MDL = LTA \times 99^{\text{th}}$ percentile multiplier (Table 5-2 of EPA’s TSD)						
Copper ($\mu\text{g/L}$)	$288 \times 0.281 = 80.9$	$186 \times 0.481 = 89.4$	156,002	80.9	$80.9 \times 1.65 = 133$	$80.9 \times 3.56 = 288$						
Nickel ($\mu\text{g/L}$)	$4038 \times 0.117 = 472$	$90.8 \times 0.204 = 18.5$	575,608	18.5	$18.5 \times 2.78 = 51.4$	$18.5 \times 8.55 = 158$						
Parameter	$LTA_{HH} = WLA_{HH}$		$AML = LTA$		$MDL = AML \times 99^{\text{th}}$ percentile multiplier (Table 5-3 of EPA’s TSD)							
Bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate ($\mu\text{g/L}$)	2.2		2.2		$2.2 \times 1.56 = 3.4$							
WLA = Waste Load Allocation; Q_u = ZOI = 1,229,167 gph, Q_e = effluent flow = 20,833 gph; Q_d = downstream flow = $Q_u + Q_e$ = 1,250,000 gph; C_u = upstream concentration; C_d = WQC; LTA = long term average; AML = average monthly limit; MDL = maximum daily limit;												
¹ No ZOI is considered for bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate, so $Q_u = 0$ gph and $Q_d = Q_e = 20,833$ gph.												

The WQBELs for copper and nickel are new limits. During the previous 5 years, the Permittee reported an average and maximum copper concentrations of 15.3 µg/L and 35.9 µg/L and an average and maximum nickel concentration of 15.1 µg/L and 212 µg/L. The elevated nickel result is not typical of the Permittee's discharge results, with the next largest reported value being 16.8 µg/L. The Permittee will be able to comply with these new limits.

Mass limitations were calculated for applicable pollutants as required by 40 CFR 122.45(f). Mass limits were calculated by multiplying the concentration limits by the average daily flow and a conversion factor, as shown in the table below.

Mass-Based Limit Calculations	
Bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (g/day)	$AML = 2.2 \frac{\mu g}{L} \times 500,000 \text{ gpd} \times \frac{3.785 L}{gal} \times \frac{g}{10^6 \mu g} = 4.2 \text{ g/day}$ $MDL = 3.4 \frac{\mu g}{L} \times 500,000 \text{ gpd} \times \frac{3.785 L}{gal} \times \frac{g}{10^6 \mu g} = 6.4 \text{ g/day}$
Copper (g/day)	$AML = 133 \frac{\mu g}{L} \times 500,000 \text{ gpd} \times \frac{3.785 L}{gal} \times \frac{g}{10^6 \mu g} = 251 \text{ g/day}$ $MDL = 288 \frac{\mu g}{L} \times 500,000 \text{ gpd} \times \frac{3.785 L}{gal} \times \frac{g}{10^6 \mu g} = 545 \text{ g/day}$
Iron (kg/day)	$AML = 3.0 \frac{mg}{L} \times 500,000 \text{ gpd} \times \frac{3.785 L}{gal} \times \frac{kg}{10^6 mg} = 5.6 \text{ kg/day}$ $MDL = 5.0 \frac{mg}{L} \times 500,000 \text{ gpd} \times \frac{3.785 L}{gal} \times \frac{kg}{10^6 mg} = 9.4 \text{ kg/day}$
Nickel (g/day)	$AML = 51.4 \frac{\mu g}{L} \times 500,000 \text{ gpd} \times \frac{3.785 L}{gal} \times \frac{g}{10^6 \mu g} = 97 \text{ g/day}$ $MDL = 158 \frac{\mu g}{L} \times 500,000 \text{ gpd} \times \frac{3.785 L}{gal} \times \frac{g}{10^6 \mu g} = 299 \text{ g/day}$
TSS (kg/day)	$AML = 20.0 \frac{mg}{L} \times 500,000 \text{ gpd} \times \frac{3.785 L}{gal} \times \frac{kg}{10^6 mg} = 37.8 \text{ kg/day}$ $MDL = 30.0 \frac{mg}{L} \times 500,000 \text{ gpd} \times \frac{3.785 L}{gal} \times \frac{kg}{10^6 mg} = 56.7 \text{ kg/day}$

Total Nitrogen: As described in Section 2, the facility's discharge is subject to a TMDL for dissolved oxygen, which is a function of the annual loading rates of nitrogen. The TMDL includes WLAs of total nitrogen, by zone, to certain facilities. Over time, reductions of annual loading rates of total nitrogen will lead to attainment of the water quality standard for dissolved oxygen. Phase III of the TMDL specifies a 58.5% reduction of nitrogen from in-basin sources by 2014. The adjusted 2014 stepdown was 331 lbs/day (average monthly). This has been changed from an average monthly limit to an annual mass loading limitation (annual average), consistent with *A Total Maximum Daily Load Analysis to Achieve Water Quality Standards for Dissolved Oxygen in Long Island Sound*.

Oil & Grease: An MDL of 5 mg/L and a maximum instantaneous limit ("MIL") of 7.5 mg/L was carried forward from the previous permit. These oil and grease limits were developed under the previous permit based on a visual standard of 5 mg/L and interpretation of the water quality standard for oil and grease found at Regs. Conn. State Agencies Section 22a-426-9(a)(1), which states that Class SB waters shall meet the oils and grease criteria of, "None except for small amounts that may result from the discharge from a grease waste treatment facility providing appropriate treatment and none exceeding levels necessary to protect and maintain all designated uses."

pH: WQBELs for pH are included in the permit consistent with the WQS for Class SB waters. The limits of 6.8 – 8.5 are more stringent than the previous permit.

3.9 Technology Based Effluent Limitations (“TBELs”)

Technology-based treatment requirements represent the minimum level of control that must be imposed under CWA Section 301(b) and 402 to meet best practicable control technology currently available (“BPT”) for conventional pollutants and some metals, best conventional control technology (“BCT”) for conventional pollutants, and best available technology economically achievable (“BAT”) for toxic and non-conventional pollutants. See 40 CFR Section 125 Subpart A and Regs. Conn. State Agencies Section 22a-430-4(l)(4)(A).

Subpart A of 40 CFR Section 125 establishes criteria and standards for the imposition of technology-based treatment requirements in permits under Section 301(b) of the CWA, including the application of EPA promulgated ELGs and case-by-case determinations of effluent limitations under CWA Section 402(a)(1). EPA promulgates New Source Performance Standards (“NSPS”) under CWA Section 306 and 40 CFR Section 401.12. See also 40 CFR Section 122.2 (definition of “new source”) and 122.29.

In the absence of published technology-based effluent guidelines, the permit writer is authorized under CWA Section 402(a)(1)(B) and Regs. Conn. State Agencies Section 22a-430-4(m) to establish effluent limitations on a case-by-case basis using best professional judgment (“BPJ”).

Iron: An AML = 3.0 mg/L, an MDL = 5.0 mg/L, and MIL = 7.5 mg/L have been carried forward from the previous permit. These case-by-case limits were developed for iron pursuant to Regs. Conn. State Agencies Section 22a-430-4(m) and 40 CFR Part 125.3(a). This limit is based on the state’s technology-based treatment requirements for certain industrial dischargers published at Regs. Conn. State Agencies 22a-430-4(s). This level of treatment has been determined to be achievable and has been applied to dischargers with iron as a pollutant of concern.

TSS: An AML = 20.0 mg/L, an MDL = 30.0 mg/L, and an MIL = 45.0 mg/L have been carried forward from the previous permit. These case-by-case limits were developed for TSS pursuant to Regs. Conn. State Agencies Section 22a-430-4(m) and 40 CFR Part 125.3(a). This limit is based on the state’s technology-based treatment requirements for certain industrial dischargers published at Regs. Conn. State Agencies 22a-430-4(s). This level of treatment has been determined to be achievable and has been consistently applied to dischargers with TSS as a pollutant of concern.

3.10 Comparison of Effluent Limits

After evaluating the applicable “TBELs”, WQBELs, and the limits established in the previous permit, the most stringent limits have been retained or applied in this reissued permit. Pollutants of concern that are subject only to monitoring requirements (i.e., without numerical limits) are not included in the table below. A summary of the calculations used to determine reasonable potential and effluent limitations are presented in Section 3.8 above.

Parameter	Units	Limits							
		Technology / BPJ		Water Quality			Previous Permit		
		Average Monthly Limit	Maximum Daily Limit	Average Monthly Limit	Maximum Daily Limit	Annual Loading	Average Monthly Limit	Maximum Daily Limit	Maximum Instantaneous Limit
Acute Toxicity, <i>Americanysis bahia</i> , LC ₅₀	%							100	33

Parameter	Units	Limits							
		Technology / BPJ		Water Quality			Previous Permit		
		Average Monthly Limit	Maximum Daily Limit	Average Monthly Limit	Maximum Daily Limit	Annual Loading	Average Monthly Limit	Maximum Daily Limit	Maximum Instantaneous Limit
Acute Toxicity, <i>Cyprinodon variegatus</i> , LC ₅₀	%							100	33
Bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate	µg/L			2.2	3.4		2.2	3.2	4.8
Bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate	g/day			4.2	6.4		4.2	6.1	
Copper, Total	µg/L			133	288				
Copper, Total	g/day			251	545				
Iron, Total	mg/L	3.0	5.0				3.0	5.0	7.5
Iron, Total	g/day	5.6	9.4						
Nickel, Total	µg/L			51.4	158				
Nickel, Total	g/day			97	299				
Nitrogen, Total	lbs/day					331			
Oil & Grease, Total	mg/L							5.0	7.5
TSS	mg/L	20.0	30.0				20.0	30.0	45.0
TSS	kg/day	37.8	56.7						
Temperature, Maximum	°F								90.0
Temperature Difference	°F							32.1	
				Min	Max		Min	Max	
pH	S.U.			6.8	8.5		6.0	9.0	

3.11 Effluent Limitations, Sampling Frequency, and Type

Pollutants	Limit	Basis For Limit	Monitoring/ Reporting Frequency	Sample Type
DSN 108:				
Acute Aquatic Toxicity <i>Americanopsis bahia</i>	LC ₅₀ ≥ 100%	Regs. Conn. State Agencies 22a-430-4(1)(5)(A). Anti-backsliding regulations	Semi-Annually	Daily Composite
Acute Aquatic Toxicity <i>Cyprinodon variegatus</i>	LC ₅₀ ≥ 100%	Regs. Conn. State Agencies 22a-430-4(1)(5)(A). Anti-backsliding regulations	Semi-Annually	Daily Composite
Chronic Aquatic Toxicity (Survival) <i>Americanopsis bahia</i>	Monitoring only requirement for pollutant of concern		Semi-Annually	Daily Composite

Pollutants	Limit	Basis For Limit	Monitoring/ Reporting Frequency	Sample Type
Chronic Aquatic Toxicity (Growth) <i>Americanopsis bahia</i>	Monitoring only requirement for pollutant of concern		Semi-Annually	Daily Composite
Chronic Aquatic Toxicity (Fecundity) <i>Americanopsis bahia</i>	Monitoring only requirement for pollutant of concern		Semi-Annually	Daily Composite
Chronic Aquatic Toxicity (Survival) <i>Cyprinodon variegatus</i>	Monitoring only requirement for pollutant of concern		Semi-Annually	Daily Composite
Chronic Aquatic Toxicity (Growth) <i>Cyprinodon variegatus</i>	Monitoring only requirement for pollutant of concern		Semi-Annually	Daily Composite
BOD ₅	Monitoring only requirement for pollutant of concern		Monthly	Daily Composite
Bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate	AML = 2.2 µg/L MDL = 3.2 µg/L MIL = 4.8 µg/L	WQBELs	Monthly	Daily Composite
Bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate	AML = 4.2 g/day MDL = 6.1 g/day	Conversion of WQBELs to mass limits	Monthly	Daily Composite
Chlorine, Total Residual;	Monitoring only requirement for pollutant of concern		Quarterly	Grab Sample Average
Chromium, Total	Monitoring only requirement for pollutant of concern		Quarterly	Daily Composite
Copper, Total	AML = 133 µg/L MDL = 288 µg/L	WQBELs	Quarterly	Daily Composite
Copper, Total	AML = 251 g/day MDL = 545 g/day	Conversion of WQBELs to mass limits	Quarterly	Daily Composite
Fecal coliform	Monitoring only requirement for pollutant of concern		Semi-Annually	Grab
Flow Rate (Average Daily)	500,000 gpd	Permitted discharge flow per application	Continuous	Totalizer
Flow, Maximum during 24-hr period	750,000 gpd	Permitted discharge flow per application	Continuous	Totalizer
Iron, Total	AML = 3.0 mg/L MDL = 5.0 mg/L MIL = 7.5 mg/L	BPJ based on the State's TBEL requirements at Regs. Conn. State Agencies 22a-430-4(s)	Quarterly	Daily Composite
Iron, Total	AML = 5.6 kg/day MDL = 9.4 kg/day	Conversion of BPJ limits to mass limits	Quarterly	Daily Composite
Lead, Total	Monitoring only requirement for pollutant of concern		Quarterly	Daily Composite
Nickel, Total	AML = 51.4 µg/L MDL = 158 µg/L	WQBELs	Quarterly	Daily Composite
Nickel, Total	AML = 97 g/day MDL = 299 g/day	Conversion of WQBELs to mass limits	Quarterly	Daily Composite
Nitrogen, Ammonia (total as N)	Monitoring only requirement due to TMDL		Monthly	Daily Composite
Nitrogen, Kjeldahl (total as N)	Monitoring only requirement due to TMDL		Monthly	Daily Composite

Pollutants	Limit	Basis For Limit	Monitoring/ Reporting Frequency	Sample Type
Nitrogen, Nitrate (as N)	Monitoring only requirement due to TMDL		Monthly	Daily Composite
Nitrogen, Nitrite (as N)	Monitoring only requirement due to TMDL		Monthly	Daily Composite
Nitrogen, Total (as N)	Monitoring only requirement due to TMDL		Monthly	Calculation
Nitrogen, Total (Annual Loading)	AML = 331 lbs/day	WQBEL based on TMDL	Annual	Calculation
Oil & Grease, Total	MDL = 5.0 mg/L MIL = 7.5 mg/L	WQBEL based on EPA's Red Book	Quarterly	Grab Sample Average
pH, Minimum	MIL = 6.8 SU	WQC	Continuous	Continuous
pH, Maximum	MIL = 8.5 SU	WQC	Continuous	Continuous
TSS	AML = 20.0 mg/L MDL = 30.0 mg/L MIL = 45.0 mg/L	BPJ based on the State's TBEL requirements at Regs. Conn. State Agencies 22a-430-4(s)	Monthly	Daily Composite
TSS	AML = 37.8 kg/day MDL = 56.7 kg/day	Conversion of limit to mass limits	Monthly	Daily Composite
Temperature, Maximum	MIL = 90.0 °F	Thermal variance request	Continuous	Continuous
Temperature Difference (Sample & Upstream)	MDL = 32.1 °F	Thermal variance request	Daily	Calculation
Waste Heat Rejection Rate	Monitoring only requirement for pollutant of concern		Daily	Calculation
Zinc, Total	Monitoring only requirement for pollutant of concern		Quarterly	Daily Composite
AML: Average Monthly Limit		WQC: Water Quality Criteria		
MDL: Maximum Daily Limit		RP: Reasonable Potential		
MIL: Maximum Instantaneous Limit		WQBELs: Water Quality Based Effluent Limits		
BPJ: Best Professional Judgement		TBEL: Technology Based Effluent Limit		

3.11.1 Sufficiently Sensitive Methods:

EPA at [40 CFR 122.21\(e\)\(3\)](#) and [40 CFR 122.44\(i\)](#) requires sufficiently sensitive test methods to be utilized for all parameters in a NPDES permit. A method approved under 40 CFR 136 or required through other regulations is sufficiently sensitive when:

- The method ML is at or below the level of the applicable water quality criterion or effluent limitation (if below the water quality criterion), whichever is more stringent, for the measured pollutant or pollutant parameter; or
- The method ML is above the applicable water quality criterion, but the amount of the pollutant or pollutant parameter in a facility's discharge is high enough that the method detects and quantifies the level of the pollutant or pollutant parameter in the discharge; or
- The method has the lowest ML of the analytical methods approved under [40 CFR part 136](#) or required under [40 CFR chapter I](#), subchapter N (effluent limit guidelines) or O (sewage sludge)

for the measured pollutant or pollutant parameter. Note some ELGs will specify a required ML for certain analyses.

DEEP has specified ML requirements in the permit to ensure compliance with the sufficiently sensitive test method regulations. The MLs listed in the NPDES permit are the minimum concentration at which quantification must be achieved and verified during the laboratory analysis of the parameter. They are not necessarily equivalent to the MLs that would be formally established by a lab under the ML definition at 40 CFR 136. In other words, at a minimum, the Permittee's analytical method must achieve the ML listed in the permit. This may vary from the actual ML established by the lab for the analysis, using the MDL, lowest calibration point, or other acceptable method under 40 CFR 136.

Historically, Pfizer's permit limit for bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate was lower than the ML that they were able to achieve through analyses approved under 40 CFR Part 136. As part of the 2016 permit modification, they were required to investigate whether the prescribed MLs in the previous permit were the lowest achievable MLs for those parameters. The 2016 Minimum Levels Study concluded that two labs were able to achieve MLs lower than 2.2 µg/L but only using methods that were not approved under 40 CFR Part 136. Pfizer updated this study in 2018 as part of the permit renewal application and determined that one lab was able to achieve an ML lower than the ML prescribed in their permit but still not at or below their permit limit. Based on the lab results submitted in the past two years, Pfizer has been able to achieve a MLs of 2 µg/L that is considered sufficiently sensitive. Therefore, the ML required by their permit is set as the WQC at 2.2 µg/L.

3.12 Antidegradation

Implementation of the Antidegradation Policy follows a tiered approach pursuant to the federal regulations (40 CFR Section 131.12) and consistent with the Connecticut Antidegradation Policy included in the WQS (Section 22a-426-8(b-f) of the Regs. Conn. State Agencies). Tier 1 Antidegradation review applies to all existing permitted discharge activities to all waters of the state. Tiers 1 and 2 Antidegradation reviews apply to new or increased discharges to high quality waters and wetlands, while Tiers 1 and 3 Antidegradation reviews apply to new or increased discharges to outstanding national resource waters.

This discharge is an existing discharge, and the Permittee does not propose an increase in volume or concentration of constituents. Therefore, only the Tier 1 Antidegradation Evaluation and Implementation Review was conducted to ensure that existing and designated uses of surface waters and the water quality necessary for their protection are maintained and preserved, consistent with WQS, Regs. Conn. State Agencies Sec.22a-426-8(a)(1). This review involved:

- An evaluation of narrative and numeric water quality standards, criteria and associated policies;
- The discharge activity both independently and in the context of other dischargers in the affected waterbodies; and
- Consideration of any impairment listed pursuant to Section 303d of the federal Clean Water Act or any TMDL established for the waterbody.

DEEP has determined that the discharges or activities are consistent with the maintenance, restoration, and protection of existing and designated uses assigned to Segment CT-E1_014-SB of the Thames River (described in Section 2). Compliance with all the limits and conditions in this permit will ensure that existing and designated uses of surface waters and the water quality necessary for their protection are maintained and preserved.

3.13 Anti-Backsliding

This permit has effluent limitations, standards or conditions that are at least as stringent as the final effluent limitations, standards, or conditions in the previous permit as required in 40 CFR Section 122.44(l) and Regs. Conn. State Agencies Section 22a-430-4(l)(4)(A)(xxiii).

3.14 Cooling Water Intake Structure Section 316(b)

Section 316(b) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, USC Section 1326(b) states that “any standard established pursuant to Section 301 or 306 of this Act and applicable to a point source shall require that the location, design, construction, and capacity of cooling water intake structures (“CWIS”) reflect the best technology available (“BTA”) for minimizing adverse environmental impact”.

The federal regulations establish requirements under Section 316(b) of the CWA for existing power generating facilities and existing manufacturing and industrial facilities with a cooling water intake structure having a design intake flow greater than 2 million gallons per day of water from waters of the United States and use at least 25 percent of the water they withdraw exclusively for cooling purposes. Section 125.92 defines “Cooling water intake structure” as “the total physical structure and any associated constructed waterways used to withdraw cooling water from waters of the United States. The cooling water intake structure extends from the point at which water is first withdrawn from waters of the United States up to and including the intake pumps.”

Section 125.90(b), states “Cooling water intake structures not subject to requirements under Section 125.94 through 125.99 or subparts I or N of this part must meet requirements under Section 316(b) of the CWA established by the Director on a case-by-case, best professional judgment (“BPJ”) basis.”

At the issuance of the last permit, the Permittee operated a CWIS that was subject to 316(b). The Permittee evaluated BTA and determined that closed-cycle cooling represented the best alternative to minimize adverse environmental impacts. The previous permit included a compliance schedule to implement closed-cycle cooling. Following these changes, on February 26, 2016, the previous permit was modified, which removed DSN 009-1 that included discharges associated with the cooling water intake structure and Intake 01H. It also reduced the average monthly and daily maximum flow limits from 25 mgd and 45 mgd to 500,000 gpd and 750,000 gpd, respectively. The Permittee no longer operates a cooling water intake structure, therefore, is no longer subject to 316(b).

3.15 Variances and Waivers

The WQS for Allowable Temperature Increase in Class SB waters states, “There shall be no changes from natural conditions that would impair any existing or designated uses assigned to this Class and, in no case exceed 83°F, or in any case raise the temperature of receiving water more than 4°F. During the period including July, August and September, the temperature of the receiving water shall not be raised more than 1.5°F unless it can be shown that spawning and growth of indigenous organisms will not be significantly affected.” (Regs. Conn. State Agencies 22a-426-9(a)(1)). The WQS also allows for the Commissioner to designate a “zone of influence for assimilation of a thermal discharge” that “shall be no greater than 25% of the cross-sectional area or volume of flow of the receiving water” (Regs. Conn. State Agencies 22a-426-4(l)(8)).

Section 316(a) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, USC Section 1326(a) allows for thermal effluent limitations to be less stringent than those required by otherwise applicable standards if it can be shown that such limits are more stringent than necessary to assure the protection and propagation of a balanced indigenous population (“BIP”) of shellfish, fish, and wildlife in and on the receiving waterbody.

On August 4, 2025, the Permittee submitted a request for an alternative thermal effluent limit consistent with Regs. Conn. State Agencies Section 22a-430-4(q)(2)(A)(ii) and in accordance with the criteria and procedures specified in 40 CFR Part 125 Subpart H. The thermal variance request included a maximum instantaneous temperature limit of 90.0°F and a maximum temperature difference (sample and upstream) limit of 32.1°F, consistent with the variance granted in the previous permit.

At the issuance of the previous permit, DEEP determined that the thermal component of the discharge would not contribute to appreciable harm to the BIP. The previous permit included a maximum instantaneous temperature limit of 90°F, a temperature difference limit of 32.1°F between the effluent and upstream NOAA Station 8461490, and monitoring for Waste Heat Rejection Rate (in BTUs/day) based on the calculated temperature difference. These permit limits were performance-based limits calculated from the worst-case effluent data. The maximum instantaneous limit was set at three standard deviations above the mean July temperature, and the maximum temperature increase limit was set at the 99th percentile (2.327 standard deviations above the mean) of the December, January, and February discharge temperatures. At that time, the permitted average and maximum daily flows were 25.0 mgd and 45.0 mgd, respectively. Following Pfizer’s elimination of their once-through cooling system in 2016, there was a modification of the permit in which their permitted average and maximum daily flows were reduced to 500,000 gpd and 750,000 gpd, respectively. The modified permit carried over the permit limits and 316(a) determination, noting that the thermal mixing zone would be smaller under the reduced flows.

The 316(a) determination of the previous permit was based on three studies. In 1986, Pfizer undertook a study designed to evaluate the effects of its discharge on the Thames River (*Water Quality and Hydraulic Studies in the Lower Thames River*, July 1987 by Metcalf & Eddy). As part of this study, a dye dilution study was conducted to determine a mixing zone for Pfizer’s discharge. The study considered two outfalls, DSN 001-1, which has since been eliminated, and DSN 008-1, which is Pfizer’s remaining discharge and was their most significant discharge at the time of the study. DSN 008-1 discharges into the river through a Y-shaped multiport diffuser that lies on the bottom of the river and extends 500 feet into the river channel before splitting into two branches each approximately 250 feet in length. Each branch contains 17 carbon steel diffusers. The effluent flows when the study was conducted were 10 to 11 mgd for DSN 001-1 and 40 to 65 mgd for DSN 008-1. The study found that the lowest level of dilution occurred during the spring tide conditions.

In 1999, Pfizer submitted a *Thermal Plume Study at Pfizer Inc. Groton* that was prepared by Parsons Engineering Science, Inc. This study evaluated the thermal discharge from DSNs 004-1, 005-1, and 008-1 by calculating a temperature rise based on total daily discharge volume (3 mgd, 16 mgd, and 70 mgd respectively), daily maximum discharge temperatures of the three DSNs (95°F, 95°F, and 90°F respectively), and daily average river temperatures for a period from August 1996 through February 1998. Considering a zone of influence with a dilution factor of 100:1, the worst-case temperature rise was calculated to be 0.52°F above ambient temperatures.

Finally, in 2013, Pfizer conducted field studies to evaluate the impacts of the thermal aspect of the discharge on the Thames River and submitted the report *Thermal Plume and Habitat Assessment Study*. The study collected temperature and salinity samples of the river at various depths and for four different tidal scenarios (1 hour past high tide, 3 hours past high tide, 1 hour past low tide, and 3 hours past low tide) during a two-day period in July 2013. The facility discharged 7 to 8 mgd during the study period, and the maximum

temperature of the discharge was 82.9°F and 85.5°F. The study concluded that the WQS for temperature increase were met a very short distance from the diffuser. In the worst-case scenario (1 hour after slack tide), the plume was 49.5 meters long, 54.58 meters wide, 3.3 meters high and maintained within the navigational channel, occupying approximately 0.025% of the cross-sectional area of the river, which is approximately 4,000 feet wide at the point of Pfizer's discharge. In all other worst-case scenarios, the water quality standard would be met within 2 meters, and the plume would be less than 40 meters wide. The study included biological sampling and an evaluation of the chronic impacts to the rocky intertidal biological community and concluded there would be minimal to negligible impact on the biota, neither acute nor chronic effects to fish, and no impact to buoyant eggs and larvae, because the plume never reaches the surface.

In 2025, as part of the request for a renewed thermal variance, Pfizer submitted the report *Addendum to 2013 Thermal Plume and Habitat Assessment Study, July 2025*, and *Addendum 2 to 2013 Thermal Plume and Habitat Assessment Study, September 2025*, which updated the worst-case thermal plume model based on current operating conditions. Between May 2020 through May 2025, the average monthly discharge was 0.162 mgd, compared to the 7-8 mgd discharged during the 2013 modeling. Updated modeling using current permit limits indicated a decrease in the degree and extent the thermal plume during worst-case (1 hour after low slack tide) conditions. The plume was modeled under multiple scenarios, including maximum permitted flow (750,000 gpd) and average ambient July temperature, maximum permitted flow and maximum ambient temperature observed during the past 5 years, and maximum permitted flow and minimum winter temperatures observed during the past 5 years, to determine when the water quality standard would be met. The modeling determined that the water quality standards for temperature increase or maximum temperature would be met outside of a plume that is 0.01 meters long, 38.08 meters wide, 0.01 meters high. DEEP reviewed data from the past five years, which showed that the discharge temperature exhibits seasonal variation that ranged from 51.5°F in the winter to 85.9°F in the summer. The temperature difference ranged from 2.9°F to 18.7°F, with an average of 10.2°F. Carrying forward these limits will continue to be protective of the BIP and the WQS for temperature will be met within inches of the discharge pipe.

In summary, DEEP had determined in the previous permit, that the thermal component of the discharge would not contribute to appreciable harm to the BIP at a discharge rate of 7-8 mgd, maximum instantaneous temperature of 90°F, and a maximum temperature increase of 32.1°F between the effluent and upstream. This evaluation was based on a thermal verification study and modeling. The Permittee has since reduced their daily flow by over 90% through the elimination of their once-through cooling system. Updated modeling submitted by the Permittee confirms that the size of the thermal plume has also decreased by over 90%, further reducing the effects of the thermal component of the discharge on the receiving water. The largest component of the plume is its width, due to the use of a diffuser, which allows the thermal plume to dissipate in the water column and downstream soon after leaving the diffuser pipe, while only occupying approximately 3% of the width of the river. The results of the study indicate that the thermal discharge at a maximum instantaneous limit of 90°F and a maximum temperature increase of 32.1°F between the effluent and upstream with a de minimis ZOI will not result in any appreciable harm and therefore are approved in accordance with Regs. Conn. State Agencies 22a-426-4(l)(8)) and USC Section 1326(a).

3.16 E-Reporting

The Permittee is required to electronically submit documents in accordance with 40 CFR Section 127.

Section 4 Summary of New Permit Conditions and Limits from The Previous Permit

- New water quality-based permit limits have been incorporated for copper and nickel based on a reasonable potential analysis to exceed the water quality criteria for SB surface waters.
- Mass-based limits were added for iron and TSS to ensure that the total quantity of iron and TSS discharged is still protective of water quality when flow rates are above average. Details of the calculations are provided in Section 3.8.
- The pH minimum limit has been raised from 6.0 to 6.8, and pH maximum limit has been lowered from 9.0 to 8.5. These limits are equivalent to the WQC for Class SB surface waters.
- Monitoring for fecal coliform was previously conducted during May and August. Monitoring is now required during February and August.
- The permit includes new language in Section 9 defining the circumstances around noncompliance that are required to be reported to the Commissioner and requires the notifications to be submitted through an online noncompliance form.
- Acute toxicity monitoring is now required to be conducted as a separate test from chronic toxicity testing, following the procedures described in *Methods for Measuring the Acute Toxicity of Effluents and Receiving Waters to Freshwater and Marine Organisms* (EPA-821-R-02-012). Acute toxicity testing will be required semi-annually in May and November. Chemical monitoring that is required with aquatic toxicity was previously listed in Sections 6 of the previous permit, and the monitoring requirement for acute aquatic toxicity was listed in Table A of the previous permit. These monitoring requirements have been moved to Tables B (DSN 008-AT) and C (DSN 008-CT), which will allow the Permittee to report aquatic toxicity results and paired chemical and receiving water monitoring results in NetDMR. Additionally, ATMRs are now required to be submitted electronically rather than in hardcopy.
- The total nitrogen limit of 331 lbs/day has been changed from an average monthly limit to an annual mass loading limitation (annual average), consistent with *A Total Maximum Daily Load Analysis to Achieve Water Quality Standards for Dissolved Oxygen in Long Island Sound*. The Permittee will report the average monthly loading at a monthly frequency and will be required to meet an annual loading limit, which is calculated as follows: Total nitrogen (annual loading) shall be reported as the sum of the average monthly total nitrogen from January through December divided by 12 and rounded to the nearest whole number.

Section 5 Public Participation Procedures

5.1 Information Requests

The application has been assigned the following numbers by the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection. Please use these numbers when corresponding with this office regarding this application.

Application No. 201814996

Permit Id No. CT0000957

Interested persons may obtain copies of the application from Eric Watters, Pfizer Inc, 445 Eastern Point Road, Groton, CT 06340.

The application is available for inspection by contacting Joseph Grandelski at joseph.grandelski@ct.gov, at the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, Bureau of Materials Management and Compliance Assurance, 79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT 06106-5127 from 8:30 - 4:30, Monday through Friday.

Any interested person may request in writing that his or her name be put on a mailing list to receive notice of intent to issue any permit to discharge to the surface waters of the state. Such request may be for the entire state or any geographic area of the state and shall clearly state in writing the name and mailing address of the interested person and the area for which notices are requested.

5.2 Public Comment

Prior to making a final decision to approve or deny any application, the Commissioner shall consider written comments on the application from interested persons that are received within 30 days of this public notice. Written comments should be directed to Joseph Grandelski, Environmental Engineer, Bureau of Materials Management and Compliance Assurance, Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, 79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT 06106-5127 or DEEP.IndustrialNPDESPublicComments@ct.gov and should indicate the Permit ID No. CT0000957 in the subject line. The Commissioner may hold a public hearing prior to approving or denying an application if in the Commissioner's discretion the public interest will be best served thereby, and shall hold a hearing upon receipt of a petition signed by at least twenty five (25) persons. Notice of any public hearing shall be published at least thirty (30) days prior to the hearing.

Petitions shall be submitted within thirty (30) days from the date of publication of this public notice and should include the application number noted above and also identify a contact person to receive notifications. Petitions may also identify a person who is authorized to engage in discussions regarding the application and, if resolution is reached, withdraw the petition. Upon receipt of a petition, the Commissioner shall take action as required by relevant laws, including Public Act 25-84, which was effective upon passage in June 2025. The Office of Adjudications will accept electronically-filed petitions for hearing in addition to those submitted by mail or hand-delivered. Petitions with required signatures may be sent to deep.adjudications@ct.gov; those mailed or delivered should go to the DEEP Office of Adjudications, 79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT 06106. If the signed original petition is only in an electronic format, the petition must be submitted with a statement signed by the petitioner that the petition exists only in that form. Original petitions that were filed electronically must also be mailed or delivered to the Office of Adjudications within 30 days of electronic submittal. Additional information can be found at www.ct.gov/deep/adjudications.

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Wastestream Descriptions

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WASTESTREAM NAME	WASTESTREAM DESCRIPTION
Air compressor/air dryer condensate	In the plant buildings, moisture from ambient air is condensed during the compression cycle in oil-free compressors/dryers and released to area floor drains. No chemical additives. The nitrogen plant, located north of Building 101, uses non-petroleum-based lubricant in an air compressor. Condensate consists primarily of moisture from ambient air and is discharged to Pump Station No. 4 (PS4).
Air conditioning condensate	Moisture from ambient air condenses on HVAC coils and is released to area floor drains. No chemical additives.
Backflow preventer & fire protection test water	Backflow preventers are required by building code to prevent back feed of chemically treated water to the City potable water supply. During semi-annual testing of the backflow preventers, City potable water is released to area floor drains. Quarterly, the Pfizer Fire Department tests flow on fire protection systems. System water is City potable water. No chemical additives.
Bleed off or draining of boiler & minor leaks from a boiler	Periodically, to facilitate inspection or repairs, boiler water is drained from the boiler water tank. This water would have the same treatment chemicals as the boiler blowdown water. There are also occasions where boilers have minor leaks of boiler water which go to floor drains. No additional treatment chemicals are added.
Boiler blowdown	Boiler blowdown is boiler water that is released from the boilers in order to maintain the appropriate conductivity/chemical concentrations in the system. Blowdown from the three boilers and heat recovery boiler on the cogeneration turbine is manually controlled based on conductivity test results. The NALCO products NexGuard 22310, SUR-GARD 1700, and NALCO 8735 are used in the boiler water. NALCO 8735 is also present in the steam condensate used as boiler feed water.
Boiler lab testing wastewater	Boiler water analytical labs are used for testing parameters such as pH, conductivity, hardness, and iron in boiler feed water. The labs have continuous, low volume releases of city water, distilled/purified water, and boiler water. Limited quantities of analytical reagents are used for testing.
Boiler Washdown	Typically, once per year, the internal sections of each boiler are washed down using city water. The soot hopper is emptied of solid waste prior to cleaning. The discharge from the washdown contains residual soot.
Building maintenance wastewater	Periodically, city water is used to remove dirt, dust, and other debris from floors, walls, and other building structures. Areas to be washed are wiped to remove any chemicals/oils prior to washing. The wastewater would discharge to area floor drains. No chemical additives.

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Chilled water	Chilled water is in a system loop and is typically not discharged. However, during seasonal pump/chilled water system alignment changes or to facilitate maintenance activities, chilled water is drained. The NALCO products NALCO Trac107 PLUS, NALCO 7320, and NALCO 8735 are used in the chilled water.
Cleaning of chilled water strainers & filters	There are several strainers associated with the chilled water loop. Strainers are cleaned with city water periodically to keep system flow optimal. As needed, chilled water filters are removed and replaced. It is necessary to drain the vessel for access to the filters. Strainer & filter cleaning wastewater is discharged to floor drains. The NALCO products NALCO Trac107 PLUS, NALCO 7320, and NALCO 8735 used in the chilled water may be present in the wastewater.
Condensate polisher resin regeneration wastewater	Steam condensate is collected and “polished” through filtration (this described process) and ion exchange (softener described under Water Softener regeneration wastewater category). The polishing is designed to maintain a desired pH (approx. 8.5) and remove iron particulates and scale products. NALCO 8735 is added to the collected steam condensate to maintain desired pH. The condensate is then passed through the resin columns. A city water/salt solution (both normal and rust-free sodium chloride products are used) along with NALCO 7290E resin cleaner is used to regenerate the resin beds – typically once every few weeks. The regeneration water will contain any silica/carbonate/iron contaminants filtered from condensate.
Cooling Tower Blowdown/Draining	Cooling towers are located at Buildings 101 and 160 and Building 84 is a cooling tower. To ensure system effectiveness including corrosion inhibition and bacterial control, either ProMoss (sphagnum moss) and a hydrogen peroxide generator or the NALCO products STABREX ST70, 3D TRASAR 3DT494, NALCO 7320, NALCO 73199, and NALCO 73551 are added to the tower water. Cooling tower blowdown is released from the towers to maintain conductivity and other system parameters. Periodically, tower sumps, condenser water piping, and possibly chilled water piping connected to the tower would be drained for maintenance or freeze protection. ProMoss bags and peroxide system filters are changed out on a set periodicity, and the used bags/filters are drained prior to disposal. City water is used for cooling tower water make-up.
Deaerator and vent stack condensate	The rooftop deaerators and vent stacks release condensate. Some of this condensate is collected in piping routed to roof drains while some will be released to the air. When released to the air, some condensate may land on the roof and eventually be discharged through roof drains. No chemical additives.
Dewatering wastewater	When the groundwater table rises, groundwater can enter the crawlspaces of Buildings 101 and 168. The groundwater in the southern portion of Building 101 is collected in a sump and directed to Pump Station No. 2 (PS2). There is also a utility tunnel located outside between Buildings 90 & 101 that receives groundwater. A sump within the tunnel directs the groundwater to Pump Station No. 4 (PS4). There are occasions where Utilities needs to physically enter the Buildings 101 and 168 crawlspaces and utility tunnel for maintenance work and manual pump the groundwater to PS4. No chemical additives. Additionally, site steam vaults (includes vaults, tunnels, and manholes that contain steam and/or steam condensate piping and equipment) need to be dewatered for safe entry to perform inspections or maintenance and to limit piping and equipment

WASTESTREAM NAME	WASTESTREAM DESCRIPTION
	exposure to high water levels. Steam vaults contain groundwater and potentially steam condensate. Water is pumped from the vaults to dedicated containers which are then drained to either PS2 or PS4. No chemical additives.
Eyewash stations and miscellaneous plant sinks	There are several eyewash stations that discharge to floor drains and miscellaneous building sinks that discharge to PS2 or PS4. Water is City potable water. No chemical additives. Building 78 contains a sink that uses both City water and recirculated West Basin Area 2 water. The Area 2 water is primarily used for monthly West Basin monitoring. Discharge from this sink is routed to Area 1 of the West Basin. No chemical additives.
Floor drain wastewater	Floor drains in Buildings 101, 160, 165 & 168 collect several wastewaters including steam, air compressor/air dryer and air conditioner condensate, backflow preventer and fire protection test water, boiler water, building maintenance wastewater, eyewash stations and miscellaneous plant sinks, pump seal water, and steam cleaning/power wash wastewater. No additional chemical additives.
Hydrostatic test water	City water is used periodically to hydrostatically test newly installed or repaired pipelines or tanks. The pipes or tanks would be clean prior to adding the city water for the test. No chemical additives are used.
Non-contact cooling water	Non-contact cooling water is composed of four main streams: cooling water from fan oil or bearing coolers, feed pump oil coolers, feed pump bearing coolers, and sample coolers. The wastewater is city water with no chemical additives.
Primary Neutralization System draining	During planned or unplanned maintenance, the Building 168 Primary Neutralization System at times requires a partial or full system drain so that components can be worked on. This wastewater is directed back to PS2 or PS4 and may consist of any of the categories described herein under "Wastestream Descriptions".
Pump seal water	City water is fed into the pump impeller casing and forms a liquid seal creating compression chambers. During operation, city water is typically fed and discharged at the same rate. Pfizer utilizes some units with once-pass through design and some with water recirculation. Pump seal water discharges to area floor drains. No chemical additives.
Raw water tank overflow	The raw water tank on the roof of Building 101 is designed to overflow to a curtain drain which is directed to PS4. Water is City potable water. No chemical additives.
Reverse osmosis non-permeate	Make-up boiler feed water is generated by passing softened and filtered water through a reverse osmosis unit. The reverse osmosis system generates a non-permeate wastewater. No chemicals are typically added and the non-permeate, generated continuously, is comprised solely of city water. Although not a normal occurrence, the pH of the reverse osmosis concentrate may need to be adjusted to be maintained as slightly caustic. If this occurs, NALCO 8735 would be added. In these instances, the non-permeate may contain trace amounts of this chemical. Reverse osmosis filters are regenerated off-site.

WASTESTREAM NAME	WASTESTREAM DESCRIPTION
Sand filter backwash	Sand filters are located on the cooling tower water systems in Buildings 84 and 160. The sand filters are used to remove particulates that may become entrained in the system water. The sand filters are backwashed with city water or the cooling tower water based on differential pressure and at least once per day. The backwash water would likely contain trace amounts of cooling tower treatment chemicals. No other chemicals are added to the sand filters.
Spill containment area stormwater	Precipitation (rain or snow) collected in secondary containment around exterior tanks and the containment below the B160 Truck Unloading Area is directed to PS2 or PS4 as needed. Prior to transfer, the collected stormwater is visually inspected for oil sheen.
Steam cleaning and power wash wastewater	Periodically, city water or steam is used to power wash air coils/fins, instrumentation, or seals. Power washing occurs after any visual chemicals/oils have been removed. The wastewater discharges to area floor drains. No chemical additives.
Steam condensate	Steam generated by site boilers and the cogeneration turbine is sent out to the site for HVAC use and returned as steam condensate. The steam condensate is collected in a tank and NALCO 8735 is added to the tank to maintain a slightly caustic pH. The condensate is then polished using a resin system. The condensate is subsequently used as boiler feed water. Although the NALCO products NexGuard 22310 and SUR-GARD 1700 are used in boiler water treatment, they are not likely to be present in the steam condensate. This is due to site research requirements for HVAC systems. When discharged, steam condensate is typically directed to area floor drains. Some of the steam condensate from Building 160 is pumped to PS2. The steam condensate collection tank is designed to overflow and would be directed to Pump Station No. 4 (PS4). Additionally, site steam vaults (includes vaults, tunnels, and manholes that contain steam and/or steam condensate piping and equipment) need to be dewatered for safe entry to perform inspections or maintenance and to limit piping and equipment exposure to high water levels. Steam vaults contain groundwater and potentially contain steam condensate. Water is pumped from the vaults to dedicated containers and then drained to either PS2 or PS4. No chemical additives.
Stormwater	The stormwater collection system within a parking area and along a stretch of road to the east of the south end of the West Basin is directed to DSN 008. Another stormwater drain just to the north of B168 collects and directs stormwater from a roadway to Pump Station No. 2 or No. 4. Roof drains on Buildings 101, 165 and 168 collect and direct stormwaters to PS2 or PS4 (note that on occasion Utilities will manually move standing pools of stormwater to roof drains if needed). No chemical additives.
Wastewater drained from solids filter system	The Building 168 solids filter system in the influent piping to the Primary Neutralization System is designed such that during normal operation there is some drain water generated from the bottom of the units. This wastewater is directed back to PS2 or PS4 and may consist of any of the categories described herein under "Wastestream Descriptions".

WASTESTREAM NAME	WASTESTREAM DESCRIPTION
Water softener regeneration wastewater	Make-up boiler feed water is generated by passing city water through a water softener, followed by a carbon filter unit and then through a reverse osmosis unit. A city water/salt brine solution is used to regenerate the water softener unit – typically twice per week. The regeneration wastewater will contain any magnesium, silica and carbonate contaminants filtered from the city water. No chemicals besides salt are used (both normal and rust-free sodium chloride products are used). The carbon filter generates no wastewater and is not regenerated on site.
West Basin cooling system strainer cleaning wastewater	The West Basin cooling system has a strainer prior to the basin water passing through the pumps. Periodically, the strainer needs to be cleaned to remove debris and keep system flow optimal. City water may be used to rinse the strainer. The rinse water is discharged in the West Basin prior to the monitoring location. No chemical additives.

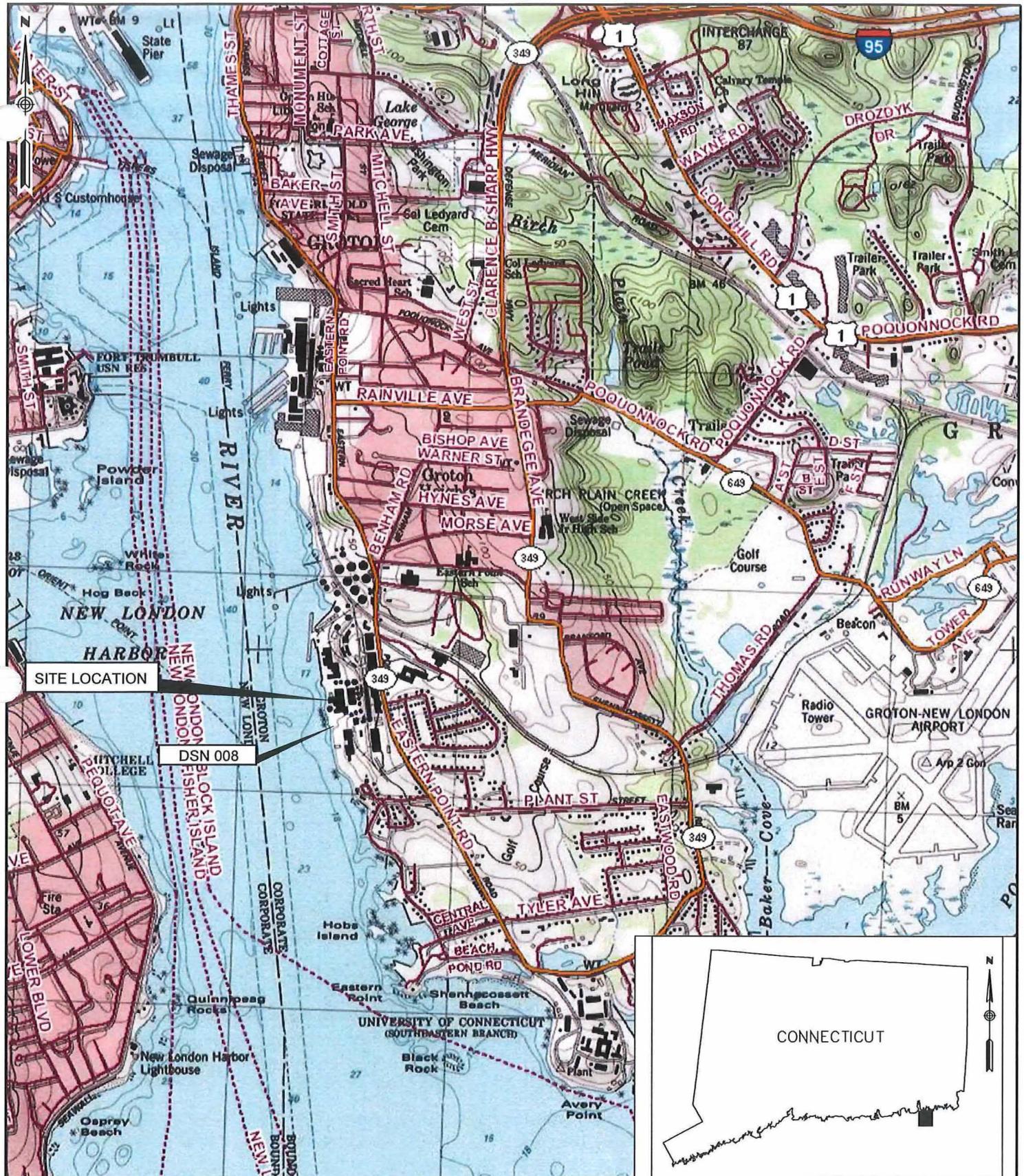
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USGS Quadrangle Map

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USGS QUADRANGLE MAP

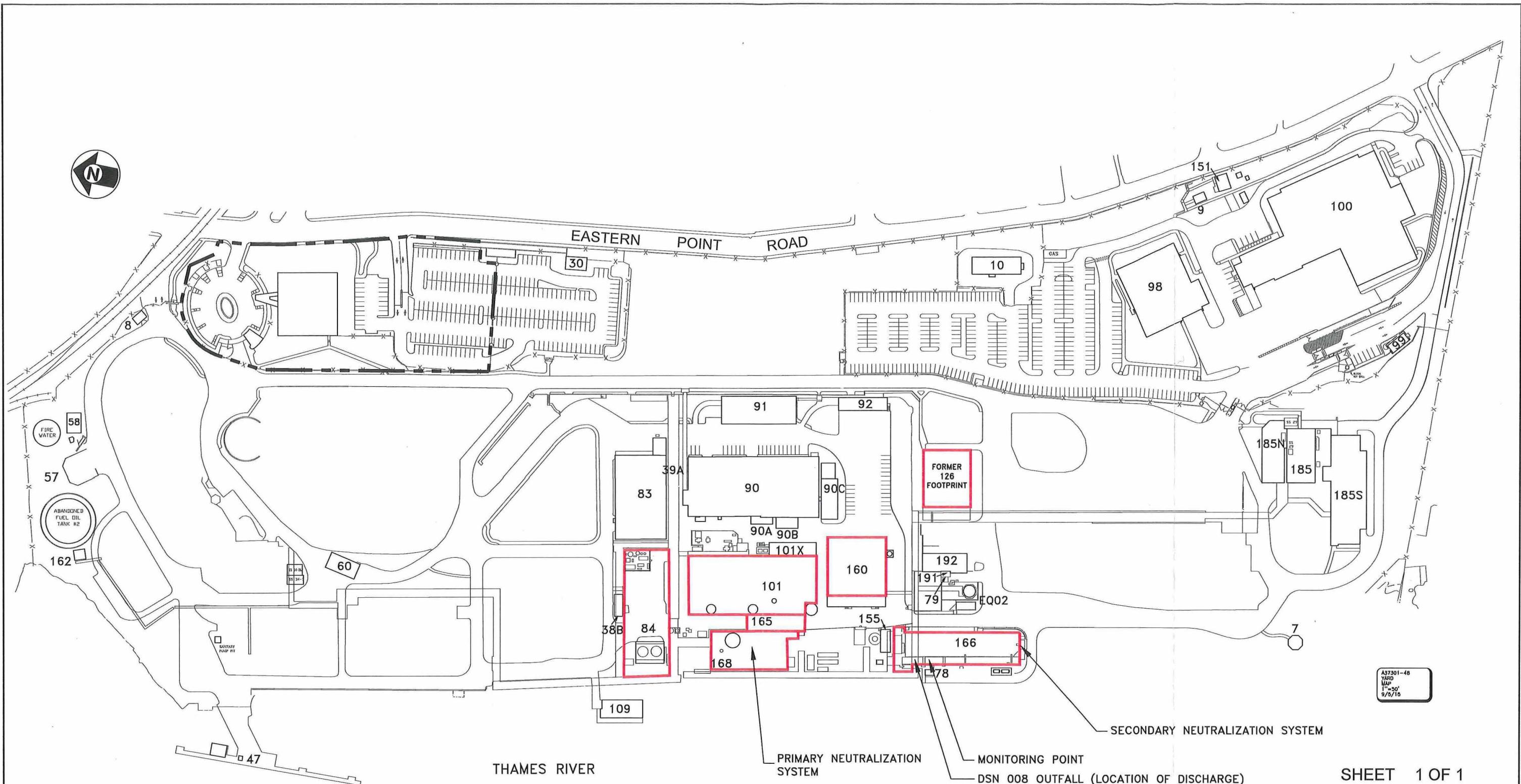
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NOTES:

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Dilution Factors

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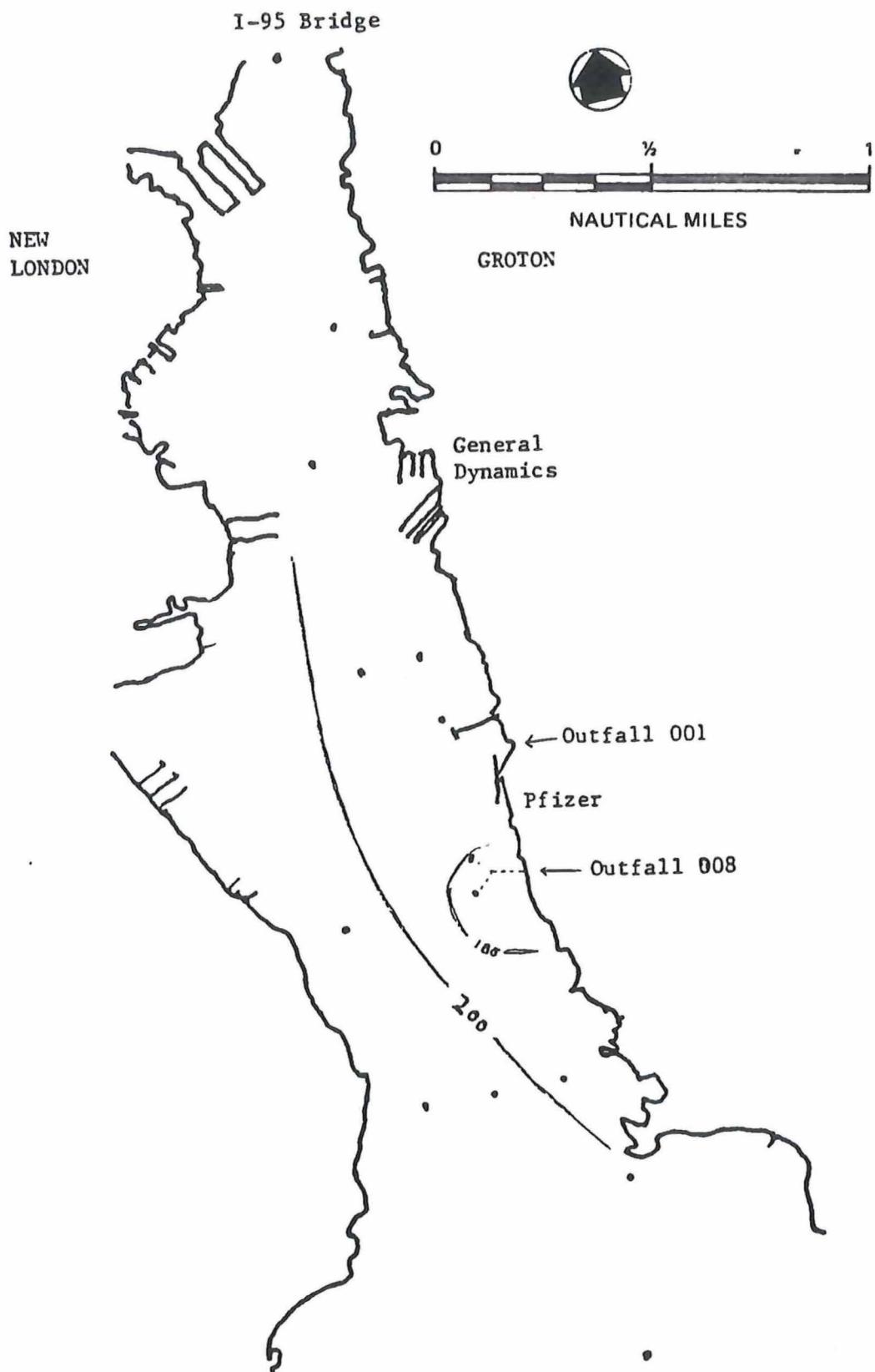


Figure 8. Dilution factors for Pfizer effluent concentration in the Thames River averaged over depth and time for four sampling periods on 24 and 25 July 1986.

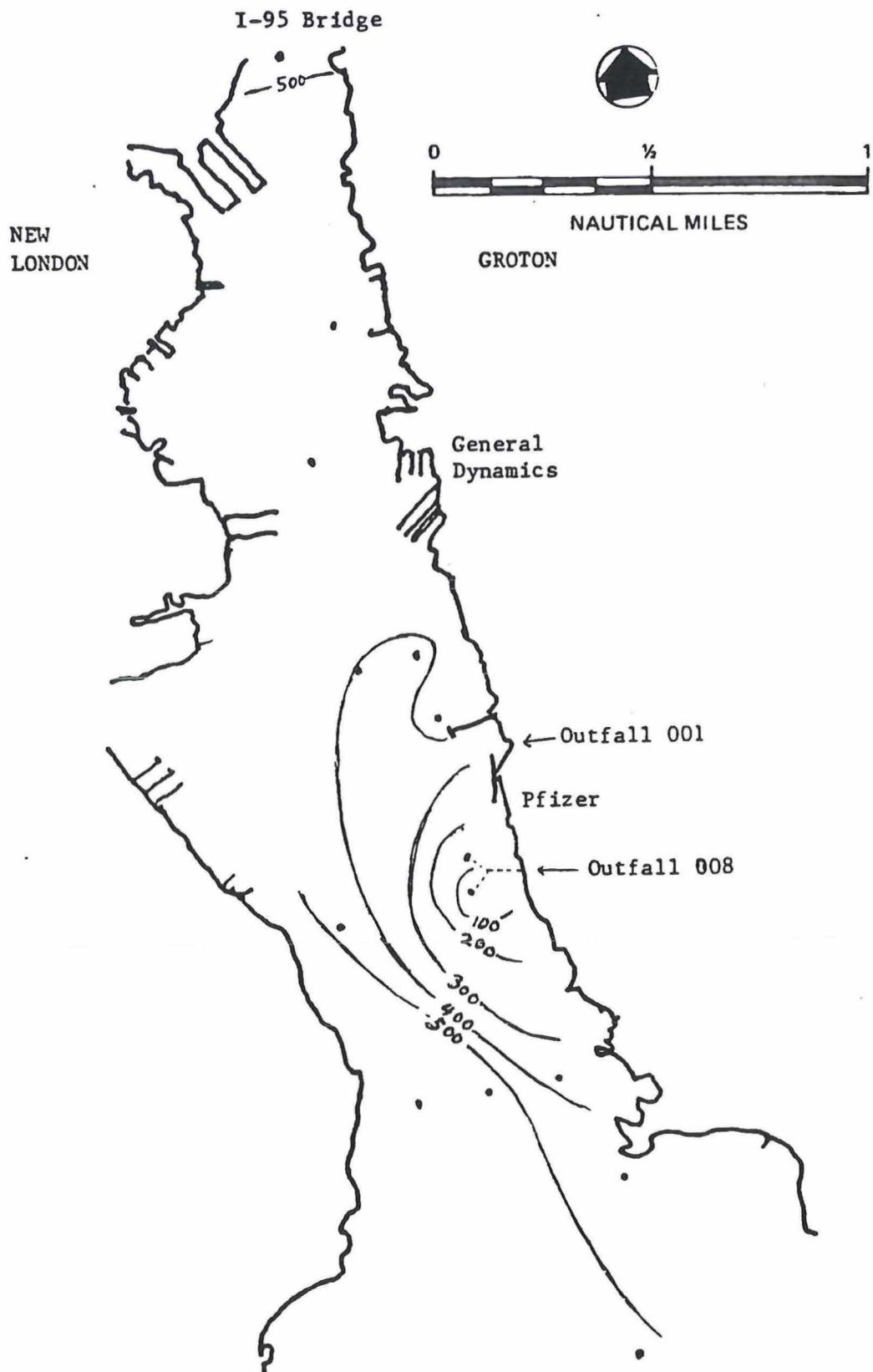


Figure 9. Dilution factors for Pfizer effluent concentration in the Thames River, Conn., averaged over depth and time for four sampling periods on 25 and 26 September 1986.

**NOTICE OF TENTATIVE DETERMINATION
INTENT TO RENEW A NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT
FOR THE FOLLOWING DISCHARGES INTO THE WATERS OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT**

1.0 TENTATIVE DECISION

The Commissioner of the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection ("the Commissioner") hereby gives notice of a tentative determination to **renew** a permit based on an application and administrative record submitted by **Pfizer, Inc** ("the Applicant") under Section 22a-430 of the Connecticut General Statutes ("Conn. Gen. Stat.") for a permit to discharge into the waters of the state.

The tentative decision to renew the permit also includes a tentative decision regarding Section 316(a) of the federal water pollution control act, 33 U.S.C. § 1326(a) that the permit will assure the protection and propagation of a balanced indigenous population of shellfish, fish and wildlife in and on the receiving waters.

In accordance with applicable federal and state law, the Commissioner has made a tentative determination that continuance of the existing system to treat the discharge would protect the waters of the state from pollution.

The Commissioner proposes to renew a permit for the discharge to the Thames River.

The proposed permit, if issued by the Commissioner, will require that all wastewater be treated to meet the applicable effluent limitations.

2.0 APPLICANT'S PROPOSAL

Pfizer, Inc presently discharges 750,000 gallons per day of blowdown from heating and cooling equipment, hydrostatic pressure testing, non-contact cooling water, stormwater, water production wastewater, and miscellaneous wastewaters to the Thames River from the on-site power plant that provides steam and electricity for heating, ventilation, and air conditioning at a research and development facility.

The name and mailing address of the permit Applicant are: Pfizer Inc, 445 Eastern Point Rd, Groton, CT, 06340.

The activity takes place at: 445 Eastern Point Rd in Groton, CT, on the eastern bank of the Thames River approximately 0.75 miles north of Eastern Point and 2.25 miles south of the Gold Star Bridge.

The proposed activity is within the coastal area as defined in Conn. Gen. Stat. Section 22a-94. Pursuant to Conn. Gen. Stat. Section 22a-98, the Applicant must demonstrate that the activities are consistent with all applicable goals and policies in Conn. Gen. Stat. Section 22a-92, and that such activities incorporate all reasonable measures mitigating any adverse impacts on coastal resources and future water-dependent development activities.

3.0 REGULATORY CONDITIONS

3.1 Type of Treatment

DSN 008-1: equalization, neutralization, and heat dissipation.

3.2 Effluent Limitations

This permit contains effluent limitations consistent with a Case-by-Case Determination using the criteria of Best Professional Judgement and which will meet Water Quality Standards including the Anti-Degradation Policy.

In accordance with Section 22a-430-4(l) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies the permit contains effluent limitations for the following types of toxic substances: heavy metals and base/neutral organic compounds.

This permit contains the following variances from the effluent limitations required by Section 22a-430-4(l) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies (“Regs. Conn. State Agencies”): thermal variance.

4.0 COMMISSIONER'S AUTHORITY

The Commissioner is authorized to approve or deny such permits pursuant to Section 402(b) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 USC 1251, *et. seq.* and Section 22a-430 of the Conn. Gen. Stat. and the Water Discharge Permit Regulations (Sections 22a-430-3 and 4 of the Regs. Conn. State Agencies).

5.0 INFORMATION REQUESTS

The application has been assigned the following numbers by the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection. Please use these numbers when corresponding with this office regarding this application.

Application No. 201814996

Permit Id No. CT0000957

Interested persons may obtain copies of the application from Eric Watters, Pfizer Inc, 445 Eastern Point Road, Groton, CT 06340, eric.watters@pfizer.com, 860-715-0088.

The application is available for inspection by contacting Joseph Grandelski, Environmental Engineer, at 860-424-3608 or joseph.grandelski@ct.gov, at the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, Bureau of Materials Management and Compliance Assurance, 79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT 06106-5127 from 8:30-4:30, Monday through Friday.

Any interested person may request in writing that his or her name be put on a mailing list to receive notice of intent to issue any permit to discharge to the surface waters of the state. Such request may be for the entire state or any geographic area of the state and shall clearly state in writing the name and mailing address of the interested person and the area for which notices are requested.

6.0 PUBLIC COMMENT

Prior to making a final decision to approve or deny any application, the Commissioner shall consider written comments on the application from interested persons that are received within 30 days of this public notice. Written comments should be directed to Joseph Grandelski, Environmental Engineer, Bureau of Materials Management and Compliance Assurance, Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, 79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT 061065127 or DEEP.IndustrialNPDESPublicComments@ct.gov and should indicate the Permit ID No. CT0000957 in the subject line. The Commissioner may hold a public hearing prior to approving or denying an application if in the Commissioner's discretion the public interest will be best served thereby, and shall hold a hearing upon receipt of a petition signed by at least twenty -five persons. Notice of any public hearing shall be published at least thirty (30) days prior to the hearing.

7.0 PETITIONS FOR HEARING

Petitions shall be submitted within thirty (30) days from the date of publication of this public notice and should include the application number noted above and also identify a contact person to receive notifications. Petitions may also identify a person who is authorized to engage in discussions regarding the application and, if resolution is reached, withdraw the petition. Upon receipt of a petition, the Commissioner shall take action as required by relevant laws, including Public Act 25-84, which was effective upon passage in June 2025. The Office of Adjudications will accept electronically-filed petitions for hearing in addition to those submitted by mail or hand-delivered. Petitions with required signatures may be sent to deep.adjudications@ct.gov; those mailed or delivered should go to the DEEP Office of Adjudications, 79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT 06106. If the signed original petition is only in an electronic format, the petition must be submitted with a statement signed by the petitioner that the petition exists only in that form. Original petitions that were filed electronically must also be mailed or delivered to the Office of Adjudications within 30 days of electronic submittal. Additional information can be found at www.ct.gov/deep/adjudications.

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/s/Audra Godfrey

Audra Godfrey, Director
Water Permitting and Enforcement Division
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Department of Energy and Environmental Protection

Dated: February 2, 2026