

NPDES Permit No. IL0034983  
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National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES)  
Permit Program

Draft Reissued NPDES Permit to Discharge into Waters of the State

Public Notice/Fact Sheet Issued By:

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency  
Bureau of Water  
Division of Water Pollution Control  
Permit Section  
1021 North Grand Avenue East  
Post Office Box 19276  
Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276  
217/782-0610

Name and Address of Discharger:

City of Decatur  
#1 Gary K. Anderson Plaza  
Decatur, Illinois 62523

Name and Address of Facility:

Decatur South Water Treatment Plant  
1155 South Martin Luther King Drive  
Decatur, Illinois 62521  
(Macon County)

The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) has made a tentative determination to issue a NPDES permit to discharge into the waters of the state and has prepared a draft permit and associated fact sheet for the above named discharger. The Public Notice period will begin and end on the dates indicated in the heading of this Public Notice/Fact Sheet. The last day comments will be received will be on the Public Notice period ending date unless a commentor demonstrating the need for additional time requests an extension to this comment period and the request is granted by the IEPA. Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the draft permit to the IEPA at the above address. Commentors shall provide his or her name and address and the nature of the issues proposed to be raised and the evidence proposed to be presented with regards to those issues. Commentors may include a request for public hearing. Persons submitting comments and/or requests for public hearing shall also send a copy of such comments or requests to the permit applicant. The NPDES permit and notice number(s) must appear on each comment page.

The application, engineer's review notes including load limit calculations, Public Notice/Fact Sheet, draft permit, comments received, and other documents are available for inspection and may be copied at the IEPA between 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday when scheduled by the interested person.

If written comments or requests indicate a significant degree of public interest in the draft permit, the permitting authority may, at its discretion, hold a public hearing. Public notice will be given 45 days before any public hearing. Response to comments will be provided when the final permit is issued. For further information, please call Leslie Lowry at 217/782-0610.

The applicant is engaged in potable water production (SIC 4941). Wastewater is generated as decanted lagoon water, clarifier sludge blowdown, and particulate filter backwash. Plant operation results in an average discharge of 0.2 MGD of lagoon decant wastewater from outfall 001, 0.2 MGD of lagoon decant wastewater from outfall 002, 0.2 MGD of lagoon decant wastewater from outfall 003, and 0.15 MGD of clarifier sludge blowdown and particulate filter backwash from outfall 004.

Application is made for existing discharges which are located in Macon County, Illinois. The following information identifies the discharge point, receiving stream and stream classifications:

<u>Outfall</u>	<u>Receiving Stream</u>	<u>Latitude</u>		<u>Longitude</u>		<u>Stream Classification</u>	<u>Biological Stream Characterization</u>
001	Sangamon River	39° 49' 43"	North	88° 57' 04"	West	General Use	Not Rated
002	Sangamon River	39° 49' 43"	North	88° 57' 04"	West	General Use	Not Rated
003	Sangamon River	39° 49' 43"	North	88° 57' 04"	West	General Use	Not Rated
004	Lake Decatur	39° 49' 35"	North	88° 57' 02"	West	General Use	D

To assist you further in identifying the location of the discharge please see the attached map.

The stream segment E-06 receiving the discharge from outfalls 001, 002, and 003 is on the 2010 303(d) list of impaired waters and is not a biologically significant stream on the 2008 Illinois Department of Natural Resources Publication – *Integrating Multiple Taxa in a Biological Stream Rating System*.

The following parameters have been identified as the pollutants causing impairment:

<u>Designated Use</u>	<u>Potential Cause</u>
Fish Consumption	PCBs

The stream segment receiving the discharge from outfall 004 is on the 2010 303(d) list of impaired waters and is not a biologically significant stream on the 2008 Illinois Department of Natural Resources Publication – *Integrating Multiple Taxa in a Biological Stream Rating System*.

The following parameters have been identified as the pollutants causing impairment:

<u>Designated Use</u>	<u>Potential Cause</u>
Aquatic Life, Fish Consumption, and Aesthetic Uses	Aquatic Algae, Phosphorus (Total), Total Suspended Solids, Turbidity, Chlordane, PCBs, and Mercury

The discharges from the facility shall be monitored and limited at all times as follows:

PARAMETER	LOAD LIMITS lbs/day <u>DAF (DMF)</u>			CONCENTRATION <u>LIMITS mg/l</u>		
	30 DAY AVERAGE	DAILY MAXIMUM	REGULATION	30 DAY AVERAGE	DAILY MAXIMUM	REGULATION
<u>Outfall 001:</u>						
Flow (MGD)						
pH				6 – 10 s.u.		35 IAC 304.125
Total Suspended Solids				15	30	35 IAC 304.124
Total Residual Chlorine					0.05	35 IAC 302.208 & 40 CFR 125.3

PARAMETER	LOAD LIMITS lbs/day DAF (DMF)		REGULATION	CONCENTRATION LIMITS mg/l		REGULATION
	30 DAY AVERAGE	DAILY MAXIMUM		30 DAY AVERAGE	DAILY MAXIMUM	
<u>Outfall 002:</u>						
Flow (MGD)						
pH				6 – 10 s.u.		35 IAC 304.125
Total Suspended Solids				15	30	35 IAC 304.124
Total Residual Chlorine					0.05	35 IAC 302.208 & 40 CFR 125.3
<u>Outfall 003:</u>						
Flow (MGD)						
pH				6 – 10 s.u.		35 IAC 304.125
Total Suspended Solids				15	30	35 IAC 304.124
Total Residual Chlorine					0.05	35 IAC 302.208 & 40 CFR 125.3
<u>Outfall 004:</u>						
Flow (MGD)						
pH				6 – 9 s.u.		35 IAC 304.125
Total Suspended Solids				15	30	35 IAC 304.124
Total Residual Chlorine					0.05	35 IAC 302.208 & 40 CFR 125.3

The following explain the conditions of the proposed permit:

The Special Conditions clarify flow, pH, monitoring location, total residual chlorine, and discharge monitoring report submission.



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NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM

Reissued (NPDES) Permit

Expiration Date:

Issue Date:

Effective Date:

Name and Address of Permittee:

Facility Name and Address:

City of Decatur  
#1 Gary K. Anderson Plaza  
Decatur, Illinois 62523

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Discharge Number and Name:	Receiving Waters:
001 Lagoon Decant Wastewater	Sangamon River
002 Lagoon Decant Wastewater	Sangamon River
003 Lagoon Decant Wastewater	Sangamon River
004 Clarifier Blowdown and Filter Backwash	Lake Decatur

In compliance with the provisions of the Illinois Environmental Protection Act, Title 35 of Ill. Adm. Code, Subtitle C and/or Subtitle D, Chapter 1, and the Clean Water Act (CWA), the above-named permittee is hereby authorized to discharge at the above location to the above-named receiving stream in accordance with the standard conditions and attachments herein.

Permittee is not authorized to discharge after the above expiration date. In order to receive authorization to discharge beyond the expiration date, the permittee shall submit the proper application as required by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) not later than 180 days prior to the expiration date.

Alan Keller, P.E.  
Manager, Permit Section  
Division of Water Pollution Control

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Effluent Limitations and Monitoring

1. From the effective date of this permit until the expiration date, the effluent of the following discharges shall be monitored and limited at all times as follows:

PARAMETER	LOAD LIMITS lbs/day DAF (DMF)		CONCENTRATION LIMITS mg/l		SAMPLE FREQUENCY	SAMPLE TYPE
	30 DAY AVERAGE	DAILY MAXIMUM	30 DAY AVERAGE	DAILY MAXIMUM		
<u>Outfall 001</u> – Lagoon Decant Wastewater (Average Flow = 0.2 MGD)						
Flow (MGD)	See Special Condition 1.				1/Month	Measure
pH	See Special Condition 2.				1/Month	Grab
Total Suspended Solids			15	30	1/Month	Grab
Total Residual Chlorine	See Special Condition 4.			0.05	1/Month	Grab
<u>Outfall 002</u> – Lagoon Decant Wastewater (Average Flow = 0.2 MGD)						
Flow (MGD)	See Special Condition 1.				1/Month	Measure
pH	See Special Condition 2.				1/Month	Grab
Total Suspended Solids			15	30	1/Month	Grab
Total Residual Chlorine	See Special Condition 4.			0.05	1/Month	Grab
<u>Outfall 003</u> – Lagoon Decant Wastewater (Average Flow = 0.2 MGD)						
Flow (MGD)	See Special Condition 1.				1/Month	Measure
pH	See Special Condition 2.				1/Month	Grab
Total Suspended Solids			15	30	1/Month	Grab
Total Residual Chlorine	See Special Condition 4.			0.05	1/Month	Grab

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	30 DAY AVERAGE	DAILY MAXIMUM	30 DAY AVERAGE	DAILY MAXIMUM		
<u>Outfall 004</u> – Clarifier Blowdown and Filter Backwash (Average Flow = 0.15 MGD)						
Flow (MGD)	See Special Condition 1.				1/Month	Measure
pH	See Special Condition 3.				1/Month	Grab
Total Suspended Solids			15	30	1/Month	Grab
Total Residual Chlorine	See Special Condition 4.			0.05	1/Month	Grab

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Special Conditions

SPECIAL CONDITION 1. Flow shall be measured in units of Million Gallons per Day (MGD) and reported as a monthly average and a daily maximum on the Discharge Monitoring Report.

SPECIAL CONDITION 2. The pH shall be in the range of 6.0 to 10.0 for outfalls 001, 002, and 003. The monthly minimum and monthly maximum values shall be reported on the DMR form.

SPECIAL CONDITION 3. The pH shall be in the range of 6.0 to 9.0 for outfall 004. The monthly minimum and monthly maximum values shall be reported on the DMR form.

SPECIAL CONDITION 4. All samples of the total residual chlorine shall be analyzed by an applicable method contained in 40 CFR 136, equivalent in accuracy to low level amperometric titration. Any analytical variability of the method used shall be considered when determining the accuracy and precision of the results obtained.

SPECIAL CONDITION 5. Samples taken in compliance with the effluent monitoring requirements shall be taken at a point representative of the discharge, but prior to entry into the receiving stream.

SPECIAL CONDITION 6. The Permittee shall record monitoring results on Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) Forms using one such form for each outfall each month.

In the event that an outfall does not discharge during a monthly reporting period, the DMR Form shall be submitted with no discharge indicated.

The Permittee may choose to submit electronic DMRs (eDMRs) instead of mailing paper DMRs to the IEPA. More information, including registration information for the eDMR program, can be obtained on the IEPA website, <http://www.epa.state.il.us/water/edmr/index.html>.

The completed Discharge Monitoring Report forms shall be submitted to IEPA no later than the 15th day of the following month, unless otherwise specified by the permitting authority.

Permittees not using eDMRs shall mail Discharge Monitoring Reports with an original signature to the IEPA at the following address:

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency  
Division of Water Pollution Control  
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Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276

Attention: Compliance Assurance Section, Mail Code # 19

SPECIAL CONDITION 7. If an applicable effluent standard or limitation is promulgated under Sections 301(b)(2)(C) and (D), 304(b)(2), and 307(a)(2) of the Clean Water Act and that effluent standard or limitation is more stringent than any effluent limitation in the permit or controls a pollutant not limited in the NPDES Permit, the Agency shall revise or modify the permit in accordance with the more stringent standard or prohibition and shall so notify the permittee.