

NPDES Permit No. IL0002640
Notice No. LRL:12062602.daa

Public Notice Beginning Date: **September 26, 2012**

Public Notice Ending Date: **October 26, 2012**

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:

PVS Chemical Solutions, Inc.
12260 South Carondelet Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60633

Name and Address of Facility:

PVS Chemical Solutions, Inc.
12260 South Carondelet Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60633
(Cook 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 manufacturing sulfuric acid, liquid sulfur dioxide, oleum, sodium bisulfite, sodium/potassium bisulfite, and sodium thiosulfate (SIC 2819). Plant operation results in an average discharge of 7 MGD of non-contact cooling water from outfall 001 and 2.5 MGD of non-contact cooling water from outfall 002.

Application is made for existing discharges which is located in Cook 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	Calumet River	41° 40' 20"	North	87° 33' 09"	West	General Use	C
002	Calumet River	41° 40' 22"	North	87° 33' 07"	West	General Use	C

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

The stream segment HAA-01 receiving the discharge from outfalls 001 and 002 are 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:

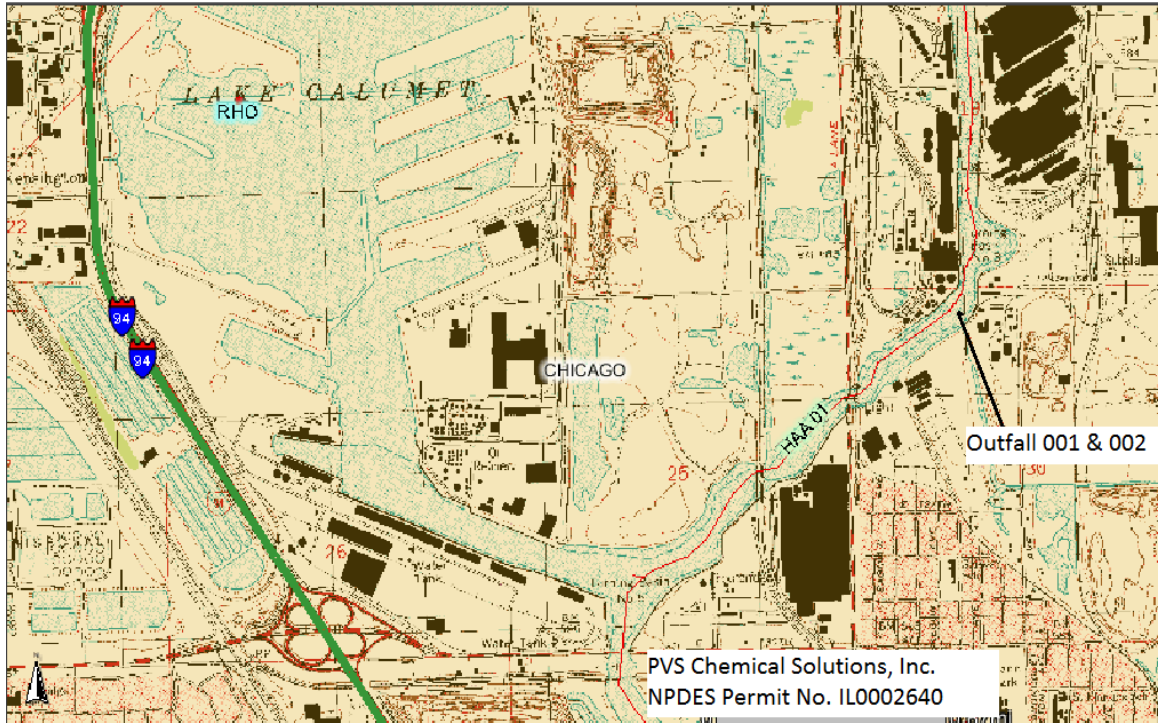
<u>Designated Use</u>	<u>Potential Cause</u>
Primary Contact Recreation, Aquatic Life Use, Fish Consumption	Fecal Coliform, pH, Phosphorus (Total), Silver, Mercury, PCBs

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

PARAMETER	LOAD LIMITS lbs/day <u>DAF (DMF)</u>		REGULATION	CONCENTRATION <u>LIMITS mg/l</u>		REGULATION
	30 DAY AVERAGE	DAILY MAXIMUM		30 DAY AVERAGE	DAILY MAXIMUM	
<u>Outfall 001:</u>						
Flow (MGD)						
pH				6 – 9 s.u.		35 IAC 304.125
Temperature						35 IAC 302.211
Total Residual Chlorine					0.05	35 IAC 302.208 & 40 CFR 125.3
<u>Outfall 002:</u>						
Flow (MGD)						
pH				6 – 9 s.u.		35 IAC 304.125
Temperature						35 IAC 302.211
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, temperature, monitoring location, total residual chlorine, discharge monitoring report submission, and additives.



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NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM

Reissued (NPDES) Permit

Expiration Date:

Issue Date:

Effective Date:

Name and Address of Permittee:

PVS Chemical Solutions, Inc.
12260 South Carondolet Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60633

Facility Name and Address:

PVS Chemical Solutions, Inc.
12260 South Carondolet Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60633
(Cook County)

Discharge Number and Name:

001 Non-contact Cooling Water

002 Non-contact Cooling Water

Receiving Waters:

Calumet River

Calumet River

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.

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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> – Non-Contact Cooling Water (Average Flow = 7 MGD)						
Flow (MGD)	See Special Condition 1.				1/Week	Measure
pH	See Special Condition 2.				1/Week	Grab
Temperature	See Special Condition 3.				1/Week	Grab
Total Residual Chlorine	See Special Condition 4.			0.05	1/Week	Grab
<u>Outfall 002</u> – Non-Contact Cooling Water (Average Flow = 2.5 MGD)						
Flow (MGD)	See Special Condition 1.				1/Week	Measure
pH	See Special Condition 2.				1/Week	Grab
Temperature	See Special Condition 3.				1/Week	Grab
Total Residual Chlorine	See Special Condition 4.			0.05	1/Week	Grab

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 6.0 to 9.0. The monthly minimum and monthly maximum values shall be reported on the DMR form.

SPECIAL CONDITION 3. This facility is not allowed any mixing with the receiving stream in order to meet applicable water quality thermal limitations. Therefore, discharge of wastewater from this facility must meet the following thermal limitations prior to discharge into the receiving stream.

- A. The discharge must not exceed the maximum limits in the following table during more than one percent of the hours in the 12 month period ending with any month. Moreover, at no time shall the water temperature of the discharge exceed the maximum limits in the following table by more the 1.7° C (3° F).

	<u>Jan.</u>	<u>Feb.</u>	<u>Mar.</u>	<u>April</u>	<u>May</u>	<u>June</u>	<u>July</u>	<u>Aug.</u>	<u>Sept.</u>	<u>Oct.</u>	<u>Nov.</u>	<u>Dec.</u>
°F	60	60	60	90	90	90	90	90	90	90	90	60
°C	16	16	16	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	16

- B. In addition, the discharge shall not cause abnormal temperature changes that may adversely affect aquatic life unless caused by natural conditions.
- C. The discharge shall not cause the maximum temperature rise above natural temperatures to exceed 2.8° C (5° F).
- D. The monthly maximum value shall be reported on the DMR form.

SPECIAL CONDITION 4. All samples for 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:

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 Division of Water Pollution Control
 1021 North Grand Avenue East
 Post Office Box 19276
 Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276

Attention: Compliance Assurance Section, Mail Code # 19

SPECIAL CONDITION 7. For the purpose of this permit, the discharge from outfalls 001 and 002 are limited to non-contact cooling water free from process and other wastewater discharge.

SPECIAL CONDITION 8. 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.

Special Conditions

SPECIAL CONDITION 9. This permit authorizes the use of water treatment additives that were requested as part of this renewal. The use of any new additives, or change in those previously approved by the Agency, or if the permittee increases the feed rate or quantity of the additives used beyond what has been approved by the Agency, the permittee shall request a modification of this permit in accordance with the Standard Conditions – Attachment H.

Special Conditions