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National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES)
Permit Program

PUBLIC NOTICE/FACT SHEET

of

Draft Reissued NPDES Permit to Discharge into Waters of the State

Public Notice/Fact Sheet Issued By:

Illinois EPA
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 Permittee:

City of Metropolis 106 West 5th Street Metropolis, Illinois 62960 Name and Address of Facility:

City of Metropolis-STP 618 Public Works Drive Metropolis, Illinois 62960

(Massac 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 Permittee. The Public Notice period will begin and end on the dates indicated in the heading of this Public Notice/Fact Sheet. All comments on the draft Permit and requests for hearing must be received by the IEPA by U.S. Mail, carrier mail or hand delivered by the Public Notice Ending Date. 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 numbers 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 Todd Lamm at 217/782-0610.

The following water quality and effluent standards and limitations were applied to the discharge:

Title 35: Environmental Protection, Subtitle C: Water Pollution, Chapter I: Pollution Control Board and the Clean Water Act were applied in determining the applicable standards, limitations and conditions contained in the draft Permit.

The applicant is engaged in treating domestic wastewater for the City of Metropolis.

The length of the Permit is approximately 5 years.

The main discharge number is 001. The seven day once in ten year low flow (7Q10) of the receiving stream, Kidd Creek is 0 cfs.

The design average flow (DAF) for the facility is 2.05 million gallons per day (MGD) and the design maximum flow (DMF) for the facility is 4.25 MGD. Treatment consists of primary sedimentation (settling or clarifiers), trickling filtration, final sedimentation (settling), disinfection (chlorine), dechlorination, and discharge to surface water. Sludge treatment consists of aerobic digestion, drying beds, and land application.

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This reissued Permit does not increase the facility's DAF, DMF, concentration limits, and/or load limits.

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

Discharge				Stream	Integrity
Number	Receiving Stream	<u>Latitude</u>	<u>Longitude</u>	<u>Classification</u>	Rating
001	Kidd Creek	39° 9′ 10" North	88° 44' 24" West	General Use	Not Rated

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

The stream segment, which has no segment designation, receiving the discharge from outfall 001 (Kidd Creek) is not on the Draft 2012 303(d) list of impaired waters.

The next downstream segment, A-920-981, receiving the discharge from outfall 001 (Ohio River) is on the Draft 2012 303(d) list of impaired waters.

<u>Uses Impaired</u>	Potential Causes		
fish consumption	dioxin (Including 2,3,7,8 - TCDD), mercury,and polychlorinated biphenyls		
primary contact use	fecal coliform		

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The discharge(s) from the facility is (are) proposed to be monitored and limited at all times as follows:

Discharge Number(s) and Name(s): STP Outfall 001

Load limits computed based on a design average flow (DAF) of 2.05 MGD (design maximum flow (DMF) of 4.25 MGD).

The effluent of the above discharge(s) shall be monitored and limited at all times as follows:

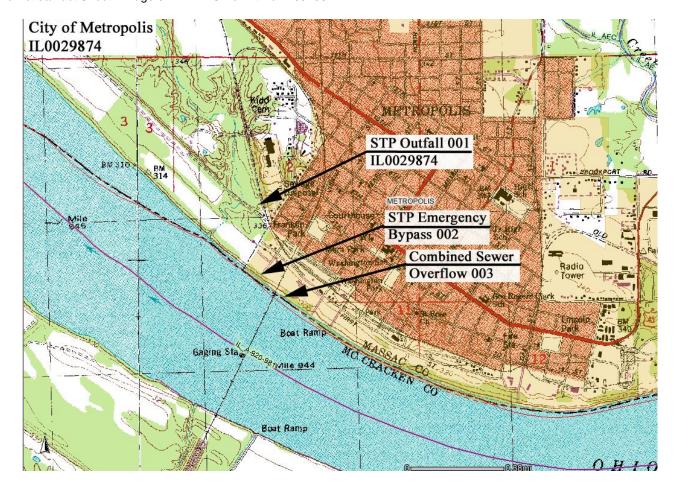
	LOAD LIMITS lbs/day DAF (DMF)*		CONCENTRATION LIMITS mg/L				
<u>Parameter</u>	Monthly <u>Average</u>	Weekly <u>Average</u>	Daily <u>Maximum</u>	Monthly <u>Average</u>	Weekly <u>Average</u>	Daily <u>Maximum</u>	Regulation
CBOD <sub>5</sub>	342 (709)	684 (1,418)		20	40		35 IAC 304.120 40 CFR 133.102
Suspended Solids	427 (886)	769 (1,595)		25	45		35 IAC 304.120 40 CFR 133.102
pH	Shall be in the	range of 6 to 9	9 Standard Uni	ts			35 IAC 304.125
Fecal Coliform	Daily Maximum shall not exceed 400 per 100 mL					35 IAC 304.121	
Chlorine Residual						0.05	35 IAC 302.208
Ammonia Nitrogen: March	60 (124)		137 (284)	3.5		8	35 IAC 355 and
April-October	26 (53)		51 (106)	1.5		3	35 IAC 302
November-February	68 (142)		137 (284)	4		8	
Total Phosphorus (as P)	Monitor Only						35 IAC 309.146
Total Nitrogen	Monitor Only						35 IAC 309.146
Copper	0.15 (0.31)		0.22 (0.45)	0.0088		0.0128	
				Monthly Avg. not less than	Weekly Avg. not less than	Daily Minimum	
Dissolved Oxygen March-July				NA	6.0	5.0	35 IAC 302.206
August-February				5.5	4.0	3.5	

<sup>\*</sup>Load Limits are calculated by using the formula: 8.34 x (Design Average and/or Maximum Flow in MGD) x (Applicable Concentration in mg/L).

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This draft Permit also contains the following requirements as special conditions:

- 1. Reopening of this Permit to include different final effluent limitations.
- 2. Operation of the facility by or under the supervision of a certified operator.
- 3. Submission of the operational data in a specified form and at a required frequency at any time during the effective term of this Permit.
- 4. More frequent monitoring requirement without Public Notice in the event of operational, maintenance or other problems resulting in possible effluent deterioration.
- 5. Prohibition against causing or contributing to violations of water quality standards.
- 6. Recording the monitoring results on Discharge Monitoring Report Forms using one such form for each outfall each month and submitting the forms to IEPA each month.
- 7. Effluent sampling point location.
- 8. Provisions of 40 CFR Section 122.41 (m) & (n).
- 9. Controlling the sources of infiltration and inflow into the sewer system.
- 10. Monitoring for arsenic, barium, cadmium, hexavalent chromium, total chromium, copper, weak acid dissociable cyanide, total cyanide, fluoride, dissolved iron, total iron, lead, manganese, mercury, nickel, oil, phenols, selenium, silver and zinc is required to be conducted semi & annually beginning 3 months from the effective date.
- 11. Submission of annual fiscal data.
- 12. The Permittee is required to perform biomonitoring tests in the 18th, 15th, 12th and 9th months prior to the expiration date of the permit, and to submit the results of such tests to the IEPA within one week of receiving the results from the laboratory.
- 13. Sampling for Metals Translator
- 14. Submission of semi-annual reports indicating the quantities of sludge generated and disposed.
- 15. An authorization of combined sewer and treatment plant discharges.
- 16. Reopening of this Permit to include revised effluent limitations based on a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) or other water quality study.
- 17. Provision for use of high level emergency bypass(es).
- 18. ORSANCO requirement to post markers at discharge outfalls.



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## NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM

Reissued (NPDES) Permit

Expiration Date: Issue Date: Effective Date:

Name and Address of Permittee:

City of Metropolis
City of Metropolis-STP
106 West 5th Street
Metropolis, Illinois 62960
Metropolis, Illinois 62960
(Massac County)

Facility Name and Address:
City of Metropolis-STP
618 Public Works Drive
Metropolis, Illinois 62960
(Massac County)

Receiving Waters: Kidd Creek

In compliance with the provisions of the Illinois Environmental Protection Act, Title 35 of the Ill. Adm. Code, Subtitle C, Chapter I, 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, Monitoring, and Reporting

**FINAL** 

Discharge Number(s) and Name(s): STP Outfall 001

Load limits computed based on a design average flow (DAF) of 2.05 MGD (design maximum flow (DMF) of 4.25 MGD).

From the effective date of this Permit until the expiration date, the effluent of the above discharge(s) shall be monitored and limited at all times as follows:

	LOAD LIMITS lbs/day <u>DAF (DMF)*</u>			CC	NCENTRAT LIMITS mg/			
<u>Parameter</u>	Monthly <u>Average</u>	Weekly <u>Average</u>	Daily <u>Maximum</u>	Monthly <u>Average</u>	Weekly <u>Average</u>	<u>Daily</u> <u>Maximum</u>	Sample <u>Frequency</u>	Sample <u>Type</u>
Flow (MGD)							Continuous	
CBOD <sub>5</sub> **	342 (709)	684 (1,418)		20	40		3 Days/Week	Composite
Suspended Solids	427 (886)	769 (1,595)		25	45		3 Days/Week	Composite
рН	Shall be in	the range of 6	to 9 Standard	Units			3 Days/Week	Grab
Fecal Coliform	Daily Maximum shall not exceed 400 per 100 mL			3 Days/Week	Grab			
Chlorine Residual						0.05	3 Days/Week	Grab
Ammonia Nitrogen: (as N) March	60 (124)		137 (284)	3.5		8	3 Days/Week	Composite
April-October	26 (53)		51 (106)	1.5		3	3 Days/Week	Composite
November-February	68 (142)		137 (284)	4		8	3 Days/Week	Composite
Total Phosphorus (as P)	Monit	or Only					1 Day/Month	Composite
Total Nitrogen	Total Nitrogen Monitor Only						1 Day/Month	Composite
Copper	0.15 (0.31)		0.22 (0.45)	0.0088		0.0128	3 Days/Week	Composite
				Monthly Average not less than	Weekly Average not less than	Daily Minimum		
Dissolved Oxygen March-July				NA	6.0	5.0	3 Days/Week	Grab
August-February				5.5	4.0	3.5	3 Days/Week	Grab

<sup>\*</sup>Load limits based on design maximum flow shall apply only when flow exceeds design average flow.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Carbonaceous BOD<sub>5</sub> (CBOD<sub>5</sub>) testing shall be in accordance with 40 CFR 136.

Flow shall be reported on the Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) as monthly average and daily maximum.

Fecal Coliform shall be reported on the DMR as a daily maximum value.

pH shall be reported on the DMR as minimum and maximum value.

Chlorine Residual shall be reported on DMR as daily maximum value.

Dissolved oxygen shall be reported on the DMR as a minimum value.

Phosphorus shall be reported on the DMR as a daily maximum value.

## Influent Monitoring, and Reporting

The influent to the plant shall be monitored as follows:

<u>Parameter</u>	Sample Frequency	Sample Type	
Flow (MGD)	Continuous		
BOD <sub>5</sub>	3 Days/Week	Composite	
Suspended Solids	3 Days/Week	Composite	

Influent samples shall be taken at a point representative of the influent.

Flow (MGD) shall be reported on the Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) as monthly average and daily maximum.

 $\mathsf{BOD}_5$  and Suspended Solids shall be reported on the DMR as a monthly average concentration.

<u>SPECIAL CONDITION 1:</u> This Permit may be modified to include different final effluent limitations or requirements which are consistent with applicable laws and regulations. The IEPA will public notice the permit modification.

SPECIAL CONDITION 2: The use or operation of this facility shall be by or under the supervision of a Certified Class 1 operator.

<u>SPECIAL CONDITION</u> 3: The IEPA may request in writing submittal of operational information in a specified form and at a required frequency at any time during the effective period of this Permit.

<u>SPECIAL CONDITION 4:</u> The IEPA may request more frequent monitoring by permit modification pursuant to 40 CFR Section 122.63 and Without Public Notice.

<u>SPECIAL CONDITION</u> 5: The effluent, alone or in combination with other sources, shall not cause a violation of any applicable water quality standard outlined in 35 III. Adm. Code 302.

<u>SPECIAL CONDITION</u> 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 (NetDMRs) instead of mailing paper DMRs to the IEPA. More information, including registration information for the NetDMR program, can be obtained on the IEPA website, http://www.epa.state.il.us/water/net-dmr/index.html.

The completed Discharge Monitoring Report forms shall be submitted to IEPA no later than the 25th day of the following month, unless otherwise specified by the permitting authority.

Permittees not using NetDMRs 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 Attention: Compliance Assurance Section, Mail Code # 19 1021 North Grand Avenue East Post Office Box 19276 Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276

<u>SPECIAL CONDITION 7:</u> 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 8: The provisions of 40 CFR Section 122.41(m) & (n) are incorporated herein by reference.

<u>SPECIAL CONDITION 9:</u> This Permit may be modified to include requirements for the Permittee on a continuing basis to evaluate and detail its efforts to effectively control sources of infiltration and inflow into the sewer system and to submit reports to the IEPA if necessary.

<u>SPECIAL CONDITION</u> 10: The Permittee shall conduct semi-annual monitoring of the effluent and report concentrations (in mg/l) of the following listed parameters. Monitoring shall begin three (3) months from the effective date of this permit. The sample shall be a 24-hour effluent composite except as otherwise specifically provided below and the results shall be submitted on Discharge Monitoring Report Forms to IEPA unless otherwise specified by the IEPA. The parameters to be sampled and the minimum reporting limits to be attained are as follows:

STORET		Minimum
CODE	<u>PARAMETER</u>	reporting limit
01002	Arsenic	0.05 mg/L
01007	Barium	0.5 mg/L
01027	Cadmium	0.001 mg/L
01032	Chromium (hexavalent) (grab)	0.01 mg/L
01034	Chromium (total)	0.05 mg/L
01042	Copper	0.005 mg/L
00718	Cyanide (grab) (available *** or amenable to chlorination)	5.0 ug/L
00720	Cyanide (total) (grab not to exceed 24 hours)	5.0 ug/L
00951	Fluoride	0.1 mg/L
01045	Iron (total)	0.5 mg/L
01046	Iron (Dissolved)	0.5 mg/L
01051	Lead	0.05 mg/L
01055	Manganese	0.5 mg/L
71900	Mercury (grab)**	1.0 ng/L*

## **Special Conditions**

01067	Nickel	0.005 mg/L
00556	Oil (hexane soluble or equivalent) (Grab Sample only)	5.0 mg/L
32730	Phenols (grab)	0.005 mg/L
01147	Selenium	0.005 mg/L
01077	Silver (total)	0.003 mg/L
01092	Zinc	0.025 mg/L

Minimum reporting limits are defined as: (1) the minimum value below which data are documented as non-detects, (2) three to ten times the method detection limit, or (3) the minimum value of the calibration range.

All sample containers, preservatives, holding times, analyses, method detection limit determinations and quality assurance/quality control requirements shall be in accordance with 40 CFR 136.

Unless otherwise indicated, concentrations refer to the total amount of the constituent present in all phases, whether solid, suspended or dissolved, elemental or combined, including all oxidation states. Where constituents are commonly measured as other than total, the phase is so indicated

<u>SPECIAL CONDITION</u> 11: During January of each year the Permittee shall submit annual fiscal data regarding sewerage system operations to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency/Division of Water Pollution Control/Compliance Assurance Section. The Permittee may use any fiscal year period provided the period ends within twelve (12) months of the submission date.

Submission shall be on forms provided by IEPA titled "Fiscal Report Form For NPDES Permittees".

SPECIAL CONDITION 12: The Permittee shall conduct biomonitoring of the effluent from Discharge Number(s) 001.

## **Biomonitoring**

- 1. Acute Toxicity Standard definitive acute toxicity tests shall be run on at least two trophic levels of aquatic species (fish, invertebrate) representative of the aquatic community of the receiving stream. Testing must be consistent with <a href="Methods for Measuring the Acute Toxicity of Effluents and Receiving Waters to Freshwater and Marine Organisms (Fifth Ed.)">Measuring the Acute Toxicity of Effluents and Receiving Waters to Freshwater and Marine Organisms (Fifth Ed.)</a>
  <a href="EPA/821-R-02-012">EPA/821-R-02-012</a>. Unless substitute tests are pre-approved; the following tests are required:
  - a. Fish 96 hour static LC<sub>50</sub> Bioassay using fathead minnows (Pimephales promelas).
  - b. Invertebrate 48-hour static LC<sub>50</sub> Bioassay using Ceriodaphnia.
- 2. Testing Frequency The above tests shall be conducted using 24-hour composite samples unless otherwise authorized by the IEPA. Samples must be collected in the 18th, 15th, 12th, and 9th month prior to the expiration date of this Permit.
- 3. Reporting Results shall be reported according to EPA/821-R-02-012, Section 12, Report Preparation, and shall be submitted to IEPA, Bureau of Water, Compliance Assurance Section within one week of receipt from the laboratory. Reports are due to the IEPA no later than the 16th, 13th, 10th, and 7th month prior to the expiration date of this Permit.
- 4. Toxicity Should a bioassay result in toxicity to >20% of organisms test in the 100% effluent treatment, the IEPA may require, upon notification, six (6) additional rounds of monthly testing on the affected organism(s) to be initiated within 30 days of the toxic bioassay. Results shall be submitted to IEPA within (1) week of becoming available to the Permittee. Should any of the additional bioassays result in toxicity to >50% of organisms tested in the 100% effluent treatments, the Permittee shall immediately notify IEPA in writing of the test results.
- 5. Toxicity Reduction Evaluation and Identification Should the biomonitoring program identify toxicity and result in notification by IEPA, the permittee shall develop a plan for toxicity reduction evaluation and identification. The plan shall be developed and implemented in accordance with <u>Toxicity Reduction Evaluation Guidance for Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plants</u>, EPA/833B-99/002, and shall include an evaluation to determine which chemicals have a potential for being discharged in the plant wastewater, a monitoring program to determine their presence or absence and to identify other compounds which are not being removed by treatment, and other measures as appropriate. The Permittee shall submit to the IEPA its plan within ninety (90) days following notification by the IEPA. The Permittee shall implement the plan within ninety (90) days of notification of the permittee above or other such date as is received by IEPA.

The IEPA may modify this Permit during its term to incorporate additional requirements or limitations based on the results of the biomonitoring. In addition, after review of the monitoring results and toxicity reduction evaluation, the IEPA may modify this Permit to include numerical limitations for specific toxic pollutants and additional whole effluent toxicity monitoring to confirm the results of the evaluation. Modifications under this condition shall follow public notice and opportunity for hearing.

<sup>\*1.0</sup> ng/L = 1 part per trillion.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Utilize USEPA Method 1631E and the digestion procedure described in Section 11.1.1.2 of 1631E.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>USEPA Method OIA-1677.

<u>SPECIAL CONDITION</u> 13: The Permittee may collect data in support of developing a site-specific metals translator for Copper. Total and dissolved metals for a minimum of twelve weekly samples need to be collected from the effluent and at a downstream location indicative of complete mixing between the effluent and the receiving water to determine a metal translator for these parameters. The IEPA will review submitted sample data and may reopen and modify this Permit to eliminate or include revised effluent limitations for these parameters based on the metal translator determined from the collected data.

SPECIAL CONDITION 14: For the duration of this Permit, the Permittee shall determine the quantity of sludge produced by the treatment facility in dry tons or gallons with average percent total solids analysis. The Permittee shall maintain adequate records of the quantities of sludge produced and have said records available for IEPA inspection. The Permittee shall submit to the IEPA, at a minimum, a semi-annual summary report of the quantities of sludge generated and disposed of, in units of dry tons or gallons (average total percent solids) by different disposal methods including but not limited to application on farmland, application on reclamation land, landfilling, public distribution, dedicated land disposal, sod farms, storage lagoons or any other specified disposal method. Said reports shall be submitted to the IEPA by January 31 and July 31 of each year reporting the preceding January thru June and July thru December interval of sludge disposal operations.

Duty to Mitigate. The Permittee shall take all reasonable steps to minimize any sludge use or disposal in violation of this Permit.

Sludge monitoring must be conducted according to test procedures approved under 40 CFR 136 unless otherwise specified in 40 CFR 503, unless other test procedures have been specified in this Permit.

Planned Changes. The Permittee shall give notice to the IEPA on the semi-annual report of any changes in sludge use and disposal.

The Permittee shall retain records of all sludge monitoring, and reports required by the Sludge Permit as referenced in Standard Condition 25 for a period of at least five (5) years from the date of this Permit.

If the Permittee monitors any pollutant more frequently than required by the Sludge Permit, the results of this monitoring shall be included in the reporting of data submitted to the IEPA.

The Permittee shall comply with existing federal regulations governing sewage sludge use or disposal and shall comply with all existing applicable regulations in any jurisdiction in which the sewage sludge is actually used or disposed.

The Permittee shall comply with standards for sewage sludge use or disposal established under Section 405(d) of the CWA within the time provided in the regulations that establish the standards for sewage sludge use or disposal even if the permit has not been modified to incorporate the requirement.

The Permittee shall ensure that the applicable requirements in 40 CFR Part 503 are met when the sewage sludge is applied to the land, placed on a surface disposal site, or fired in a sewage sludge incinerator.

Monitoring reports for sludge shall be reported on the form titled "Sludge Management Reports" to the following address:

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Bureau of Water Compliance Assurance Section Mail Code #19 1021 North Grand Avenue East Post Office Box 19276 Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276

## **SPECIAL CONDITION 15:**

# AUTHORIZATION OF COMBINED SEWER AND TREATMENT PLANT DISCHARGES

The IEPA has determined that at least a portion of the collection system consists of combined sewers. References to the collection system and the sewer system refer only to those parts of the system which are owned and operated by the Permittee unless otherwise indicated. The Permittee is authorized to discharge from the overflow(s)/bypass(es) listed below provided the diversion structure is located on a combined sewer and the following terms and conditions are met:

<u>Discharge Number</u> <u>Location</u> <u>Receiving Water</u>

003 Railroad Bridge at Broadway Ohio River

#### Monitoring, Reporting and Notification Requirements

1. The Permittee shall monitor the frequency of discharge (number of discharges per month) and estimate the duration (in hours) of each discharge from each outfall listed in this Special Condition. Estimates of storm duration and total rainfall shall be provided for each storm event.

Start Date	Rainfall Duration (hrs.)	Rainfall Amount (in.)	CSO Outfall #	Outfall Description	Estimated Duration of CSO Discharge (hrs.)	Estimated Volume of CSO Discharge (MG)
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For frequency reporting, all discharges from the same storm, or occurring within 24 hours, shall be reported as one. The date that a discharge commences shall be recorded for each outfall. Reports shall be in the form specified by the IEPA and on forms provided by the IEPA (e.g., Form IL532-2471, or updated form of same). These forms shall be submitted to the IEPA monthly with the DMRs and covering the same reporting period as the DMRs. Parameters (other than flow frequency and volume), if required in this Permit, shall be sampled and reported as indicated in the transmittal letter for such report forms.

#### **CSO Treatment Requirements**

- 2. All combined sewer overflows shall be given sufficient treatment to prevent pollution and the violation of applicable water quality standards and to the extent required by the federal Clean Water Act including any amendments made by the Wet Weather Water Quality Act of 2000. Sufficient treatment shall consist of the following:
  - a. All dry weather flows, and the first flush of storm flows shall meet all applicable effluent standards and the effluent limitations as required for the main STP outfall;
  - b. Additional flows, but not less than ten times the average dry weather flow for the design year, shall receive a minimum of primary treatment and disinfection with adequate retention time; and.
  - c. Additional flows, shall be treated to the extent necessary to comply with applicable water quality standards and the federal Clean Water Act, including any amendments made by the Wet Weather Water Quality Act of 2000.
- 3. All CSO discharges authorized by this Permit shall be treated, in whole or in part, to the extent necessary to prevent accumulations of sludge deposits, floating debris and solids in accordance with 35 III. Adm. Code 302.203 and to prevent depression of oxygen levels below the applicable water quality standards.
- 4. Overflows during dry weather are prohibited. Dry weather overflows shall be reported to the IEPA pursuant to Standard Condition 12(e) of this Permit (24 hour notice).
- 5. The collection system shall be operated to optimize transport of wastewater flows to the WWTP and shall be operated to maximize treatment of wastewater flows and to minimize CSOs.
- The treatment system shall be operated to maximize treatment of wastewater flows.

## Nine Minimum Controls

- 7. The Permittee shall comply with the nine minimum controls contained in the National CSO Control Policy published in the Federal Register on April 19, 1994. The nine minimum controls are:
  - a. Proper operation and maintenance programs for the sewer system and the CSOs (Compliance with this Item shall be met through the requirements imposed by Paragraph 9 of this Special Condition);
  - b. Maximum use of the collection system for storage (Compliance with this Item shall be met through the requirements imposed by Paragraphs 2, 5, and 9 of this Special Condition):
  - c. Review and modification of pretreatment requirements to assure CSO impacts are minimized (Compliance with this Item shall be met through the requirements imposed by Paragraph 10 of this Special Condition);
  - d. Maximization of flow to the POTW for treatment (Compliance with this Item shall be met through the requirements imposed by Paragraphs 2, 5, 6 and 9 of this Special Condition);
  - e. Prohibition of CSOs during dry weather (Compliance with this Item shall be met through the requirements imposed by Paragraph 4 of this Special Condition);
  - f. Control of solids and floatable materials in CSOs (Compliance with this Item shall be met through the requirements imposed by Paragraphs 3 and 9 of this Special Condition);

- g. Pollution prevention programs which focus on source control activities (Compliance with this Item shall be met through the requirements imposed by Paragraph 7 of this Special Condition, See Below);
- h. Public notification to ensure that citizens receive adequate information regarding CSO occurrences and CSO impacts (Compliance with this Item shall be met through the requirements imposed by Paragraph 12 of this Special Condition); and.
- i. Monitoring to characterize impacts and efficiency of CSO controls (Compliance with this Item shall be met through the requirements imposed by Paragraphs 1 and 11 of this Special Condition).

A CSO pollution prevention plan (PPP) shall be developed by the Permittee unless one has already been prepared for this collection system. Any previously-prepared PPP shall be reviewed, and revised if necessary, by the Permittee to address the items contained in Chapter 8 of the U.S. EPA guidance document, <a href="Combined Sewer Overflows">Combined Sewer Overflows</a>, Guidance For Nine Minimum Controls, and any items contained in previously-sent review documents from the IEPA concerning the PPP. <a href="Combined Sewer Overflows">Combined Sewer Overflows</a>, Guidance For Nine Minimum Controls is available on line at <a href="http://www.epa.gov/npdes/pubs/owm0030.pdf">http://www.epa.gov/npdes/pubs/owm0030.pdf</a>. The PPP (or revised PPP) shall be presented to the general public at a public information meeting conducted by the Permittee annually during the term of this Permit. The Permittee shall submit documentation that the pollution prevention plan complies with the requirements of this Permit and that the public information meeting was held. Such documentation shall be submitted to the IEPA within twelve (12) months of the effective date of this Permit and shall include a summary of all significant issues raised by the public, the Permittee's response to each issue, and two (2) copies of the "CSO Pollution Prevention Plan Certification" one (1) with original signatures. This certification form is available online at <a href="http://www.epa.state.il.us/water/permits/waste-water/forms/cso-pol-prev.pdf">http://www.epa.state.il.us/water/permits/waste-water/forms/cso-pol-prev.pdf</a>. Following the public meeting, the Permittee shall implement the pollution prevention plan and shall maintain a current pollution prevention plan, updated to reflect system modifications, on file at the sewage treatment works or other acceptable location and made available to the public. The pollution prevention plan revision shall be submitted to the IEPA one (1) month form the revision date.

#### Sensitive Area Considerations

8. Pursuant to Section II.C.3 of the federal CSO Control Policy of 1994, sensitive areas are any water likely to be impacted by a CSO discharge which include one or more of the following criteria: (1) designated as an Outstanding National Resource Water; (2) found to contain shellfish beds; (3) found to contain threatened or endangered aquatic species or their habitat; (4) used for primary contact recreation; (5) National Marine Sanctuaries; or, (6) within the protection area for a drinking water intake structure.

The IEPA has determined that Outfall 003 discharges to a sensitive area. An LTCP was submitted and approved February 1, 2012 calling for the elimination of the discharge if economically feasible and technically achievable. If elimination has been determined by the Permittee to not be economically feasible or technically achievable, the permittee shall submit a plan and schedule for treating the discharge.

## Operational and Maintenance Plans

9. The IEPA received a CSO operational and maintenance plan "CSO O&M plan" for this sewerage system on October 27, 2014. The Permittee shall fully implement the approved plan and review and revise, if needed, the CSO O&M plan to reflect system changes and any comments previously sent to the Permittee by the IEPA. The CSO O&M plan shall be presented to the general public at a public information meeting conducted by the Permittee within nine (9) months of the effective date of this Permit. The Permittee shall submit documentation that the public information meeting was held within twelve (12) months of the effective date of this Permit. Such documentation shall be submitted to the IEPA within twelve (12) months of the effective date of this Permit and shall include a summary of all significant issues raised by the public, the Permittee's response to each issue, and two (2) copies of the "CSO Operational Plan Checklist and Certification", one (1) copy with original signatures. Copies of the "CSO Operational Plan Checklist and Certification" are available online at <a href="http://www.epa.state.il.us/water/permits/waste-water/forms/cso-checklist.pdf">http://www.epa.state.il.us/water/permits/waste-water/forms/cso-checklist.pdf</a>. The Permittee shall maintain a current CSO O&M plan, updated to reflect system modifications, on file at the sewage treatment works or other acceptable location and made available to the public. CSO O&M plan revisions shall be implemented immediately and revised plans shall be submitted to the IEPA within one (1) month from the revision date.

The objectives of the CSO O&M plan are to reduce the total loading of pollutants and floatables entering the receiving stream and to ensure that the Permittee ultimately achieves compliance with water quality standards. These plans, tailored to the local government's collection and waste treatment system, shall include mechanisms and specific procedures where applicable to ensure:

- Collection system inspection on a scheduled basis;
- b. Sewer, catch basin, and regulator cleaning and maintenance on a scheduled basis;
- c. Inspections are made and preventive maintenance is performed on all pump/lift stations;
- d. Collection system replacement, where necessary;

- e. Detection and elimination of illegal connections;
- f. Detection, prevention, and elimination of dry weather overflows;
- g. The collection system is operated to maximize storage capacity and the combined sewer portions of the collection system are operated to delay storm entry into the system; and,
- h. The treatment and collection systems are operated to maximize treatment.

#### Sewer Use Ordinances

- The Permittee, within six (6) months of the effective date of this Permit, shall review and where necessary, modify its existing sewer use ordinance to ensure it contains provisions addressing the conditions below. If no ordinance exists, such ordinance shall be developed, adopted, and implemented within six (6) months from the effective date of this Permit. Upon completion of the review of the sewer use ordinance(s), the Permittee shall submit two (2) copies of a completed "Certification of Sewer Use Ordinance Review", one (1) copy with original signatures. Copies of the certification form can be obtained on line at <a href="http://www.epa.state.il.us/water/permits/waste-water/forms/sewer-use.pdf">http://www.epa.state.il.us/water/permits/waste-water/forms/sewer-use.pdf</a>. The Permittee shall submit additional copies of the sewer use ordinance(s) to the IEPA upon written request. Sewer use ordinances must contain specific provisions to:
  - a. Prohibit introduction of new inflow sources to the sanitary sewer system;
  - Require that new sanitary sewer construction tributary to the combined sewer system be designed to minimize and/or delay inflow contribution to the combined sewer system;
  - Require that inflow sources on the combined sewer system be connected to a storm sewer in accordance with any approved LTCP;
  - d. Provide that any new building domestic sewage connection shall be distinct from the building inflow connection;
  - e. Assure that CSO impacts from industrial and/or commercial sources are minimized and controlled by determining which industrial and/or commercial discharges that are tributary to CSOs and; and,
  - f. Assure that the owners of all publicly owned systems with sewers tributary to the Permittee's collection system have procedures in place adequate to ensure that the objectives, mechanisms, and specific procedures given in Paragraph 8 of this Special Condition are achieved.

The Permittee shall enforce the applicable sewer use ordinances.

## Long-Term Control Planning and Compliance with Water Quality Standards

- 11. A. Pursuant to Section 301 of the federal Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. Section 1311 and 40 CFR Section 122.4, discharges from the CSOs, including the outfalls listed in this Special Condition and any other outfall listed as a "Treated Combined Sewage Outfall", shall not cause or contribute to violations of applicable water quality standards or cause use impairment in the receiving waters. In addition, discharges from CSOs shall comply with all applicable parts of 35 III. Adm. Code 306.305(a), (b), (c), and (d).
  - B. The long term control plan (LTCP received September 19, 2009, supplemented July 1, 2010, and the addendum of January 23, 2012 and approved February 1, 2012, once implemented, will meet the requirement of elimination of the CSO discharge prescribed by Section II C.3.b.i of the federal CSO Control Policy. The implementation schedule can be found under the summary and compliance dates in this CSO Special Condition (Item 14). Should it be determined that elimination is not economically feasible or technically achievable upon implementation of the LTCP, the Permittee shall comply with the requirements prescribed in Section II C.3.b.ii and Section II C.3.c and perform post construction compliance monitoring prescribed in Section II C.9.

#### **Notification Requirements**

12. A public notification program in accordance with Section II.B.8 of the federal CSO Control Policy of 1994 shall be developed employing a process that actively informs the affected public. The program shall include at a minimum public notification of CSO occurrences and CSO impacts, with consideration given to including mass media and/or Internet notification. The Permittee shall post and maintain signs in waters likely to be impacted by CSO discharges at the point of discharge and at points where these waters are used for primary contact recreation. Signage's message should be visible from both shoreline and water vessel approach (if appropriate), respectively. Provisions shall be made to include modifications of the program when necessary and notification to any additional member of the affected public. The program shall be presented to the general public at a public information meeting conducted by the Permittee. The Permittee shall conduct the public information meeting providing a summary and status of the CSO control program annually during the term of this Permit. The Permittee shall submit documentation that the public information meeting was held, shall submit a summary of all significant issues raised by the public

and the Permittee's response to each issue and shall identify any modifications to the program as a result of the public information meeting within 60 days of holding the public meeting. The Permittee shall submit copies of the public notification program to the IEPA upon written request.

13. If any of the CSO discharge points listed in this permit are eliminated, or if additional CSO discharge points, not listed in this permit, are discovered, the Permittee shall notify the IEPA in writing within one (1) month of the respective outfall elimination or discovery. Such notification shall be in the form of a request for the appropriate modification of this NPDES Permit.

#### Summary of Compliance Dates in this CSO Special Condition

14. The following summarizes the dates that submittals contained in this Special Condition are due at the IEPA (unless otherwise indicated):

3 months from IEPA notification

Submission of CSO Monitoring Data (Paragraph 1) 25th of every month

Submission of Revised CSO O&M Plan (Paragraph 9) 1 month from revision date

Elimination of a CSO or Discovery of Additional CSO 1 month from discovery or elimination

Locations (Paragraph 13)

Control (or Justification for No Control) of CSOs to Sensitive Areas (Paragraph 8)

Certification of Sewer Use Ordinance Review (Paragraph 10) 6 months from the effective date of this Permit

Conduct Pollution Prevention, OMP and PN Public Information Meeting 9 months from the effective date of this Permit

(Paragraphs, 7, 9 and 12)

No Submittal Due with this Milestone

Submit Pollution Prevention Certification, OMP Certification 12 months from the effective date of this Permit

and PN Information Meeting Summary (Paragraphs, 7, 9 and 12)

Long-Term CSO Control Plan (Paragraph 10):

Action Item Project Completion

Interim Reports January 1, 2015 and every 6 months thereafter

Sewer Separation (90%) February, 2023

Interceptor Manhole Rehabilitation June, 2015

Area 4 Sewer Rehabilitation February, 2025

Submission of Post-Construction Compliance Monitoring Plan February, 2026

Excess Flow Lagoon & Primary Treatment of Overflow February, 2027

Completion of CSO Control Implementation and Start of

Post-Construction Monitoring Program
February, 2027

All submittals listed in this Special Condition can be mailed to the following address:

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

Attention: CSO Coordinator, Compliance Assurance Section

All submittals hand carried shall be delivered to 1021 North Grand Avenue East.

## Reopening and Modifying this Permit

15. The IEPA may initiate a modification for this Permit at any time to include requirements and compliance dates which have been submitted in writing by the Permittee and approved by the IEPA, or other requirements and dates which are necessary to carry out the provisions of the Illinois Environmental Protection Act, the Clean Water Act, or regulations promulgated under those Acts. Public Notice of such modifications and opportunity for public hearing shall be provided.

<u>SPECIAL CONDITION</u> 16: This Permit may be modified to include alternative or additional final effluent limitations pursuant to an approved Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Study or upon completion of an alternate Water Quality Study.

<u>SPECIAL CONDITION</u> 17: Discharge Numbers 002 STP emergency overflow is emergency high level overflow discharge. Discharge from this outfall is prohibited. The Permittee shall maintain continuous electronic monitors capable of detecting all discharges from each prohibited discharge outfall or shall inspect each listed prohibited discharge outfall listed above within 24 hours of receiving .25 inches of precipitation or greater within a 24 hour period as recorded at the nearest National Weather Service Reporting Station. Permittee shall utilize chalk or block devices or other discharge confirming devices approved by the Department to enhance visual monitoring. These prohibited discharges, if they occur, are subject to conditions 1-5 listed below.

(1) Definitions

"Severe property damage" means substantial physical damage to property, damage to the treatment facilities which causes them to become inoperable, or substantial and permanent loss of natural resources which can reasonably be expected to occur in the absence of a discharge. Severe property damage does not mean economic loss caused by delays in production.

- (2) Notice
  - (i) Anticipated discharge. If the Permittee knows in advance of the need for a prohibited discharge from Discharge Numbers 002, it shall submit prior notice, if possible at least ten days before the date of the discharge.
  - (ii) Unanticipated discharge. The Permittee shall submit notice of an unanticipated discharge as required in Standard Condition 12(f) of this Permit (24-hour notice).
- (3) Limitation on IEPA enforcement discretion. The IEPA may take enforcement action against a Permittee for prohibited discharges from discharge numbers 002, unless:
  - (i) Discharge was unavoidable to prevent loss of life, personal injury, or severe property damage;
  - (ii) There was no feasible alternative to the discharge, such as the use of auxiliary treatment facilities, retention of untreated wastes, or maintenance during normal periods of equipment downtime. This condition is not satisfied if adequate back-up equipment should have been installed in the exercise of reasonable engineering judgment to prevent a discharge which occurred during normal periods of equipment downtime or preventive maintenance; and
  - (iii) The Permittee submitted notices as required under Standard Condition 12(f) of this Permit.
- (4) Emergency discharges when discharging, shall be monitored daily by grab sample for BOD<sub>5</sub>, Suspended Solids and Fecal Coliform. The Permittee shall submit the monitoring results on Discharge Monitoring Report forms using one such form for each month in which discharging occurs. The Permittee shall specify the number of discharges per month that occur and shall report this number in the quantity daily maximum column. The Permittee shall report the highest concentration value of BOD<sub>5</sub>, Suspended Solids and Fecal Coliform discharged in the concentration daily maximum column.
- (5) The above limitations on enforcement discretion apply only with respect to IEPA. They do not serve as a limitation on the ability of any other governmental agency or person to bring an enforcement action in accordance with the Federal Clean Water Act.

<u>SPECIAL CONDITION</u> 18: The Permittee shall post notice pursuant to the requirements of the Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission (ORSANCO) Pollution Control Standards, Section V, A3. As soon as practical, but in no case longer than twelve (12) months from the effective date of this Permit, the Permittee shall comply with these requirements as follows:

- a. A marker shall be posted on the stream bank at each outfall discharging directly to the Ohio River
- b. The marker shall consist at a minimum of the facility name for this Permit, the permit number, and the outfall number. The information shall be printed in letters not less than two (2) inches in height.
- c. The marker shall be a minimum of two (2) feet by two (2) feet and shall be a minimum of three (3) feet off the ground.

## **Special Conditions**

Questions regarding this Special Condition should be directed to:

ORSANCO 5735 Kellogg Avenue Cincinnati, Ohio 45228-1112

Phone: 513/231-7719 FAX: 513/231-7761

Within fourteen (14) days of posting such sign, the Permittee shall notify the IEPA and ORSANCO in writing at the following addresses:

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Bureau of Water Compliance Assurance Section, Mail Code #19 1021 North Grand Avenue East Post Office Box 19276 Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276 ORSANCO ATTN: Permits 5735 Kellogg Avenue Cincinnati, Ohio 45228-1112