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NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM WASTE DISCHARGE PERMIT

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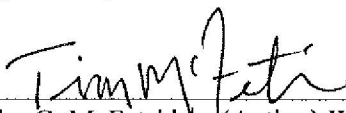
Issued pursuant to ORS 468B.050 and The Federal Clean Water Act

ISSUED TO:City of Toledo
PO Box 220
Toledo, OR 97391**SOURCES COVERED BY THIS PERMIT:**

Type of Waste	Outfall Number	Outfall Location
Treated Wastewater	001	R.M. 13.7

FACILITY TYPE AND LOCATION:Activated Sludge
City of Toledo
1105 SE Fir Street, Toledo**Treatment System Class: Level III****Collection System Class: Level II****RECEIVING STREAM INFORMATION:**Basin: Mid Coast
Sub-Basin: Siletz-Yaquina
Receiving Stream: Yaquina River
LLID: 1240830446097 13.7 D
County: Lincoln**EPA REFERENCE NO:** OR-002086-9

Issued in response to Application No. 982958 received August 23, 2004. This permit is issued based on the land use findings in the permit record.



Timothy C. McPetridge, (Acting) Western Region Water Quality Manager

December 27, 2005

Date

PERMITTED ACTIVITIES

Until this permit expires or is modified or revoked, the permittee is authorized to construct, install, modify, or operate a wastewater collection, treatment, control and disposal system and discharge to public waters adequately treated wastewaters only from the authorized discharge point or points established in Schedule A and only in conformance with all the requirements, limitations, and conditions set forth in the attached schedules as follows:

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Unless specifically authorized by this permit, by another NPDES or WPCF permit, or by Oregon Administrative Rule, any other direct or indirect discharge of waste is prohibited, including discharge to waters of the state or an underground injection control system.

SCHEDULE A

1. Waste Discharge Limitations not to be exceeded after permit issuance.

a. Treated Effluent Outfall 001

(1) May 1 - October 31:

Parameter	Average Effluent Concentrations		Monthly* Average lb/day	Weekly* Average lb/day	Daily* Maximum lbs
	Monthly	Weekly			
BOD ₅	10 mg/L	15 mg/L	61	91	120
TSS	10 mg/L	15 mg/L	61	91	120

(2) November 1 - April 30:

Parameter	Average Effluent Concentrations		Monthly* Average lb/day	Weekly* Average lb/day	Daily* Maximum lbs
	Monthly	Weekly			
BOD ₅	20 mg/L	30 mg/L	270	410	550
TSS	20 mg/L	30 mg/L	270	410	550

* Average dry weather design flow to the facility equals 0.73 MGD. Summer mass load limits based upon average dry weather design flow to the facility. Winter mass load limits based upon average wet weather design flow to the facility equaling 1.64 MGD. The daily mass load limit is suspended on any day in which the flow to the treatment facility exceeds 1.46 MGD (twice the design average dry weather flow).

(3)

Other parameters (year-round)	Limitations
Fecal Coliform Bacteria	Shall not exceed a 30 day log mean of 100 organisms per 100 mL and a weekly log mean of 200 organisms per 100 mL. (See Note 1)
pH	Shall be within the range of 6.0 - 9.0
BOD ₅ and TSS Removal Efficiency	Shall not be less than 85% monthly average
Total Chlorine Residual	Shall not exceed 0.01 mg/L monthly average and 0.02 mg/L daily maximum (See Notes 2 and 3)
Excess Thermal Load (ETL)	Shall not exceed a weekly average of 11 million Kcals/day (See Note 4)

(4) Except as provided for in OAR 340-045-0080, no wastes shall be discharged and no activities shall be conducted which violate Water Quality Standards as adopted in OAR 340-041-0245 except in the following defined mixing zone:

The allowable mixing zone is that portion of the Yaquina River extending out one hundred (100) feet from the east bank of the river and extending from a point one hundred (100) feet upstream of the outfall to a point one hundred (100) feet downstream from the outfall. The Zone of Immediate Dilution (ZID) shall be defined as that portion of the allowable mixing zone that is within ten (10) feet of the point of discharge.

b.

No wastes shall be discharged from these outfalls except as allowed in Schedule F, Section B, Condition 6 of this permit. If an overflow occurs between May 22 and June 1, and if the permittee demonstrates to the Department's satisfaction that no increase in risk to beneficial uses occurred because of the overflow, no

violation shall be triggered if the storm associated with the overflow was greater than the one-in-five-year, 24-hour duration storm.

- c. No activities shall be conducted that could cause an adverse impact on existing or potential beneficial uses of groundwater. All wastewater and process related residuals shall be managed and disposed in a manner that will prevent a violation of the Groundwater Quality Protection Rules (OAR 340-040).

NOTES:

1. At the point of discharge, the Yaquina River is water quality limited for bacteria year-round. A Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) has not been issued for these parameters at the time of permit issuance. Upon EPA approval of a TMDL addressing this pollutant, this permit may be reopened to include any Waste Load Allocation (WLA), best management practice or any other condition required by the TMDL.
2. When the total residual chlorine limitation is lower than 0.10 mg/L, the Department will use 0.10 mg/L as the compliance evaluation level (i.e. daily maximum concentrations below 0.10 mg/L will be considered in compliance with the limitations).
3. The total chlorine residual limitations shall not apply until completion of the compliance schedule in Schedule C Condition 3, or no later than the expiration date of this permit, whichever is sooner.
4. The thermal load limit was calculated using the average dry weather design flow and an estimated maximum weekly effluent temperature. The Excess Thermal Load limit is considered interim and may be adjusted up or down or eliminated when more accurate effluent temperature data becomes available. In addition, upon approval of a Total Maximum Daily Load for temperature for this sub-basin, this permit may be re-opened to include new or revised limits or other conditions or requirements regarding temperature and/or thermal loads.

SCHEDULE B

1. Minimum Monitoring and Reporting Requirements (unless otherwise approved in writing by the Department).

The permittee shall monitor the parameters as specified below at the locations indicated. The laboratory used by the permittee to analyze samples shall have a quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) program to verify the accuracy of sample analysis. If QA/QC requirements are not met for any analysis, the results shall be included in the report, but not used in calculations required by this permit. When possible, the permittee shall re-sample in a timely manner for parameters failing the QA/QC requirements, analyze the samples, and report the results.

a. Influent

The facility influent grab and composite samples and measurements are taken just after flow measurement prior to screening and grit removal.

Item or Parameter	Minimum Frequency	Type of Sample
BOD ₅	2/Week	Composite
TSS	2/Week	Composite
pH	3/Week	Grab

b. Treated Effluent Outfall 001

The facility effluent grab and composite samples and measurements are taken from effluent box prior to discharge to Outfall 001.

Item or Parameter	Minimum Frequency	Type of Sample
Total Flow (MGD)	Daily	Measurement
Flow Meter Calibration	Semi-Annual	Verification
BOD ₅ and TSS	2/Week	Composite
Pounds Discharged (BOD ₅ and TSS)	2/Week	Calculation
Fecal Coliform	Weekly	Grab
pH	3/Week	Grab
Quantity Chlorine Used	Daily	Measurement
Total Chlorine Residual	Daily	Grab
Average Percent Removed (BOD ₅ and TSS)	Monthly	Calculation
Test High Water Alarms	Twice per month	Other
Inspect Tide Gates	Weekly	Other
Effluent Temperature, Daily Maximum	Daily	Grab between 2-4 p.m.
Excess Thermal Load, seven day average	Weekly	Calculation (see Note 1)
Effluent Temperature, Average of Daily Maximums	Weekly	Calculation

c. **Biosolids Management**

Item or Parameter	Minimum Frequency	Type of Sample
Sludge analysis including: Total Solids (% dry wt.) Volatile solids (% dry wt.) Biosolids nitrogen for: NH ₃ -N; NO ₃ -N; & TKN (% dry wt.) Phosphorus (% dry wt.) Potassium (% dry wt.) pH (standard units) Sludge metals content for: As, Cd, Cu, Hg, Mo, Ni, Pb, Se & Zn, measured as total in mg/kg	Annually	Composite sample to be representative of the product to be land applied from the Sludge storage (See Note 2)
Record of locations where biosolids are applied on each DEQ approved site. (Site location maps to be maintained at treatment facility for review upon request by DEQ)	Each Occurrence	Date, volume & locations where sludges were applied recorded on site location map.
Record of % volatile solids reduction accomplished through stabilization	Monthly	Calculation (See Note 3)
Record of digestion days (mean cell residence time)	Monthly	Calculation (See Note4)

2. **Reporting Procedures**

- a. Monitoring results shall be reported on approved forms. The reporting period is the calendar month. Reports must be submitted to the Department's Western Region - Salem office by the 15th day of the following month.
- b. State monitoring reports shall identify the name, certificate classification and grade level of each principal operator designated by the permittee as responsible for supervising the wastewater collection and treatment systems during the reporting period. Monitoring reports shall also identify each system classification as found on page one of this permit.
- c. Monitoring reports shall also include a record of the quantity and method of use of all sludge removed from the treatment facility and a record of all applicable equipment breakdowns and bypassing.

3. **Report Submittals**

- a. The permittee shall have in place a program to identify and reduce inflow and infiltration into the sewage collection system. An annual report shall be submitted to the Department by February 1 each year which details sewer collection maintenance activities that reduce inflow and infiltration. The report shall state those activities that have been done in the previous year and those activities planned for the following year.
- b. For any year in which biosolids are land applied, a report shall be submitted to the Department by February 19 of the following year that describes solids handling activities for the previous year and includes, but is not limited to, the required information outlined in OAR 340-050-0035(6)(a)-(e).

NOTES:

1. The seven day average Excess Thermal Load (ETL) shall be calculated based on the weekly average temperature and effluent flow and the applicable temperature criteria as follows:

(Weekly average of daily maximum effluent temperatures in °C - applicable stream temperature standard in °C) X (Weekly average of daily flow in MGD) X 3.785 = Excess Thermal Load, in Million Kcals/day.

2. Composite samples from the Sludge storage shall be taken from reference areas in the Sludge storage pursuant to Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste, Volume 2; Field Manual, Physical/Chemical Methods, November 1986, Third Edition, Chapter 9.

Inorganic pollutant monitoring must be conducted according to Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste, Physical/Chemical Methods, Second Edition (1982) with Updates I and II and third Edition (1986) with Revision I.

3. Calculation of the % volatile solids reduction is to be based on comparison of a representative grab sample of total and volatile solids entering each digester (a weighted blend of the primary and secondary clarifier solids) and a representative composite sample of solids exiting each digester withdrawal line (as defined in note 1 above).
4. The days of digestion shall be calculated by dividing the effective digester volume by the average daily volume of sludge production.

SCHEDULE C

Compliance Schedules and Conditions

1. By June 24, 2006 the permittee shall submit to the Department for review and approval an updated program and time schedule for identifying and reducing inflow. Within 60 days of receiving written Department comments, the permittee shall submit a final approvable program and time schedule. The program shall consist of the following:
 - a. Identification of all overflow points and verification that sewer system overflows are not occurring up to a 24-hour, 5-year storm event or equivalent;
 - b. Monitoring of all pump station overflow points;
 - c. A program for identifying and removing all inflow sources into the permittee's sewer system over which the permittee has legal control; and
 - d. If the permittee does not have the necessary legal authority for all portions of the sewer system or treatment facility, a program and schedule for gaining legal authority to require inflow reduction and a program and schedule for removing inflow sources.
2. The permittee shall complete the following schedule to comply with the Total Chlorine Residual limitations contained in Schedule A.1.a.(3):
 - a. By no later than October 31, 2006 the permittee shall submit to the Department an evaluation of alternatives for corrective action that will result in compliance with the Total Chlorine Residual limit.
 - b. By no later than October 31, 2008, the permittee shall submit to the Department for approval final engineering plans and specifications for the corrective actions necessary to comply with the Total Chlorine Residual limit.
 - c. By no later than March 31, 2009, the permittee shall complete construction of all necessary improvements and comply with the Total Chlorine Residual limit.
3. The permittee is expected to meet the compliance dates which have been established in this schedule. Either prior to or no later than 14 days following any lapsed compliance date, the permittee shall submit to the Department a notice of compliance or noncompliance with the established schedule. The Director may revise a schedule of compliance if he/she determines good and valid cause resulting from events over which the permittee has little or no control.

SCHEDULE D

Special Conditions

1. All biosolids shall be managed in accordance with the current, DEQ approved biosolids management plan, and the site authorization letters issued by the DEQ. Any changes in solids management activities that significantly differ from operations specified under the approved plan require the prior written approval of the DEQ.

All new biosolids application sites shall meet the site selection criteria set forth in OAR 340-050-0070 and must be located within Lincoln County. All currently approved sites are located in Lincoln County. No new public notice is required for the continued use of these currently approved sites. Property owners adjacent to any newly approved application sites shall be notified, in writing or by any method approved by DEQ, of the proposed activity prior to the start of application. For proposed new application sites that are deemed by the DEQ to be sensitive with respect to residential housing, runoff potential or threat to groundwater, an opportunity for public comment shall be provided in accordance with OAR 340-050-0030.

2. This permit may be modified to incorporate any applicable standard for biosolids use or disposal promulgated under section 405(d) of the Clean Water Act, if the standard for biosolids use or disposal is more stringent than any requirements for biosolids use or disposal in the permit, or controls a pollutant or practice not limited in this permit.
3. The permittee shall comply with Oregon Administrative Rules (OAR), Chapter 340, Division 49, "Regulations Pertaining To Certification of Wastewater System Operator Personnel" and accordingly:
 - a. The permittee shall have its wastewater system supervised by one or more operators who are certified in a classification and grade level (equal to or greater) that corresponds with the classification (collection and/or treatment) of the system to be supervised as specified on page one of this permit.

Note: A "supervisor" is defined as the person exercising authority for establishing and executing the specific practice and procedures of operating the system in accordance with the policies of the permittee and requirements of the waste discharge permit. "Supervise" means responsible for the technical operation of a system, which may affect its performance or the quality of the effluent produced. Supervisors are not required to be on-site at all times.

- b. The permittee's wastewater system may not be without supervision (as required by Special Condition 3.a. above) for more than thirty (30) days. During this period, and at any time that the supervisor is not available to respond on-site (i.e. vacation, sick leave or off-call), the permittee must make available another person who is certified at no less than one grade lower than the system classification.
- c. If the wastewater system has more than one daily shift, the permittee shall have the shift supervisor, if any, certified at no less than one grade lower than the system classification.
- d. The permittee is responsible for ensuring the wastewater system has a properly certified supervisor available at all times to respond on-site at the request of the permittee and to any other operator.
- e. The permittee shall notify the Department of Environmental Quality in writing within thirty (30) days of replacement or redesignation of certified operators responsible for supervising wastewater system operation. The notice shall be filed with the Water Quality Division, Operator Certification Program, 811 SW 6th Ave, Portland, OR 97204. This requirement is in addition to the reporting requirements contained under Schedule B of this permit.

- f. Upon written request, the Department may grant the permittee reasonable time, not to exceed 120 days, to obtain the services of a qualified person to supervise the wastewater system. The written request must include justification for the time needed, a schedule for recruiting and hiring, the date the system supervisor availability ceased and the name of the alternate system supervisor(s) as required by 3.b. above.
4. The permittee shall notify the DEQ Western Region – Coos Bay Office (phone: (541) 269-2721) in accordance with the response times noted in the General Conditions of this permit, of any malfunction so that corrective action can be coordinated between the permittee and the Department.

SCHEDULE F
NPDES GENERAL CONDITION – DOMESTIC FACILITIES

SECTION A. STANDARD CONDITIONS

1. Duty to Comply with Permit

The permittee must comply with all conditions of this permit. Failure to comply with any permit condition is a violation of the Clean Water Act, Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) 468B.025, and 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Section 122.41(a), and grounds for an enforcement action. Failure to comply is also grounds for the Department to modify, revoke, or deny renewal of a permit.

2. Penalties for Water Pollution and Permit Condition Violations

ORS 468.140 allows the Department to impose civil penalties up to \$10,000 per day for violation of a term, condition, or requirement of a permit. Additionally 40 CFR 122.41 (A) provides that any person who violates any permit condition, term, or requirement may be subject to a federal civil penalty not to exceed \$25,000 per day for each violation.

Under ORS 468.943 and 40 CFR 122.41(a), unlawful water pollution, if committed by a person with criminal negligence, is punishable by a fine of up to \$25,000 imprisonment for not more than one year, or both. Each day on which a violation occurs or continues is a separately punishable offense.

Under ORS 468.946, a person who knowingly discharges, places, or causes to be placed any waste into the waters of the state or in a location where the waste is likely to escape into the waters of the state is subject to a Class B felony punishable by a fine not to exceed \$200,000 and up to 10 years in prison. Additionally, under 40 CFR 122.41(a) any person who knowingly discharges, places, or causes to be placed any waste into the waters of the state or in a location where the waste is likely to escape into the waters of the state is subject to a federal civil penalty not to exceed \$100,000 and up to 6 years in prison.

3. Duty to Mitigate

The permittee must take all reasonable steps to minimize or prevent any discharge or sludge use or disposal in violation of this permit that has a reasonable likelihood of adversely affecting human health or the environment. In addition, upon request of the Department, the permittee must correct any adverse impact on the environment or human health resulting from noncompliance with this permit, including such accelerated or additional monitoring as necessary to determine the nature and impact of the noncomplying discharge.

4. Duty to Reapply

If the permittee wishes to continue an activity regulated by this permit after the expiration date of this permit, the permittee must apply for and have the permit renewed. The application must be submitted at least 180 days before the expiration date of this permit.

The Department may grant permission to submit an application less than 180 days in advance but no later than the permit expiration date.

5. Permit Actions

This permit may be modified, revoked and reissued, or terminated for cause including, but not limited to, the following:

- a. Violation of any term, condition, or requirement of this permit, a rule, or a statute
- b. Obtaining this permit by misrepresentation or failure to disclose fully all material facts
- c. A change in any condition that requires either a temporary or permanent reduction or elimination of the authorized discharge

- d. The permittee is identified as a Designated Management Agency or allocated a wasteload under a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL)
- e. New information or regulations
- f. Modification of compliance schedules
- g. Requirements of permit reopener conditions
- h. Correction of technical mistakes made in determining permit conditions
- i. Determination that the permitted activity endangers human health or the environment
- j. Other causes as specified in 40 CFR 122.62, 122.64, and 124.5

The filing of a request by the permittee for a permit modification, revocation or reissuance, termination, or a notification of planned changes or anticipated noncompliance, does not stay any permit condition.

6. Toxic Pollutants

The permittee must comply with any applicable effluent standards or prohibitions established under Oregon Administrative Rules (OAR) 340-041-0033 for toxic pollutants within the time provided in the regulations that establish those standards or prohibitions, even if the permit has not yet been modified to incorporate the requirement.

7. Property Rights and Other Legal Requirements

The issuance of this permit does not convey any property rights of any sort, or any exclusive privilege, or authorize any injury to persons or property or invasion of any other private rights, or any infringement of federal, tribal, state, or local laws or regulations.

8. Permit References

Except for effluent standards or prohibitions established under OAR 340-041-0033 for toxic pollutants and standards for sewage sludge use or disposal established under Section 405(d) of the Clean Water Act, all rules and statutes referred to in this permit are those in effect on the date this permit is issued.

9. Permit Fees

The permittee must pay the fees required by Oregon Administrative Rules.

SECTION B. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF POLLUTION CONTROLS

1. Proper Operation and Maintenance

The permittee must at all times properly operate and maintain all facilities and systems of treatment and control (and related appurtenances) that are installed or used by the permittee to achieve compliance with the conditions of this permit. Proper operation and maintenance also includes adequate laboratory controls and appropriate quality assurance procedures. This provision requires the operation of back-up or auxiliary facilities or similar systems that are installed by a permittee only when the operation is necessary to achieve compliance with the conditions of the permit.

2. Need to Halt or Reduce Activity Not a Defense

For industrial or commercial facilities, upon reduction, loss, or failure of the treatment facility, the permittee must, to the extent necessary to maintain compliance with its permit, control production or all discharges or both until the facility is restored or an alternative method of treatment is provided. This requirement applies, for example, when the primary source of power of the treatment facility fails or is reduced or lost. It is not a defense for a permittee in an enforcement action that it would have been necessary to halt or reduce the permitted activity in order to maintain compliance with the conditions of this permit.

3. Bypass of Treatment Facilities

- a. Definitions

- (1) "Bypass" means intentional diversion of waste streams from any portion of the treatment facility. The term "bypass" does not apply if the diversion does not cause effluent limitations to be exceeded, provided the diversion is to allow essential maintenance to assure efficient operation or the diversion is due to nonuse of nonessential treatment units or processes at the treatment facility.
 - (2) "Severe property damage" means substantial physical damage to property, damage to the treatment facilities or treatment processes that causes them to become inoperable, or substantial and permanent loss of natural resources that can reasonably be expected to occur in the absence of a bypass. Severe property damage does not mean economic loss caused by delays in production.
- b. Prohibition of bypass.
- (1) Bypass is prohibited unless:
 - (a) Bypass was necessary to prevent loss of life, personal injury, or severe property damage;
 - (b) There were no feasible alternatives to the bypass, 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 backup equipment should have been installed in the exercise of reasonable engineering judgment to prevent a bypass that occurred during normal periods of equipment downtime or preventative maintenance; and
 - (c) The permittee submitted notices and requests as required under General Condition B.3.c.
 - (2) The Department may approve an anticipated bypass, after considering its adverse effects and any alternatives to bypassing, when the Department determines that it will meet the three conditions listed above in General Condition B.3.b.(1).
- c. Notice and request for bypass.
- (1) Anticipated bypass. If the permittee knows in advance of the need for a bypass, a written notice must be submitted to the Department at least ten days before the date of the bypass.
 - (2) Unanticipated bypass. The permittee must submit notice of an unanticipated bypass as required in General Condition D.5.

4. Upset

- a. Definition. "Upset" means an exceptional incident in which there is unintentional and temporary noncompliance with technology based permit effluent limitations because of factors beyond the reasonable control of the permittee. An upset does not include noncompliance to the extent caused by operation error, improperly designed treatment facilities, inadequate treatment facilities, lack of preventative maintenance, or careless or improper operation.
- b. Effect of an upset. An upset constitutes an affirmative defense to an action brought for noncompliance with such technology-based permit effluent limitations if the requirements of General Condition B.4.c are met. No determination made during administrative review of claims that noncompliance was caused by upset, and before an action for noncompliance, is final administrative action subject to judicial review.
- c. Conditions necessary for a demonstration of upset. A permittee who wishes to establish the affirmative defense of upset must demonstrate, through properly signed, contemporaneous operating logs, or other relevant evidence that:
 - (1) An upset occurred and that the permittee can identify the causes(s) of the upset;

- (2) The permitted facility was at the time being properly operated;
- (3) The permittee submitted notice of the upset as required in General Condition D.5, hereof (24-hour notice); and
- (4) The permittee complied with any remedial measures required under General Condition A.3 hereof.

d. Burden of proof. In any enforcement proceeding the permittee seeking to establish the occurrence of an upset has the burden of proof.

5. Treatment of Single Operational Upset

For purposes of this permit, A Single Operational Upset that leads to simultaneous violations of more than one pollutant parameter will be treated as a single violation. A single operational upset is an exceptional incident that causes simultaneous, unintentional, unknowing (not the result of a knowing act or omission), temporary noncompliance with more than one Clean Water Act effluent discharge pollutant parameter. A single operational upset does not include Clean Water Act violations involving discharge without a NPDES permit or noncompliance to the extent caused by improperly designed or inadequate treatment facilities. Each day of a single operational upset is a violation.

6. Overflows from Wastewater Conveyance Systems and Associated Pump Stations

a. Definitions

- (1) "Overflow" means the diversion and discharge of waste streams from any portion of the wastewater conveyance system including pump stations, through a designed overflow device or structure, other than discharges to the wastewater treatment facility.
- (2) "Severe property damage" means substantial physical damage to property, damage to the conveyance system or pump station 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 an overflow.
- (3) "Uncontrolled overflow" means the diversion of waste streams other than through a designed overflow device or structure, for example to overflowing manholes or overflowing into residences, commercial establishments, or industries that may be connected to a conveyance system.

b. Prohibition of storm related overflows. Storm related overflows of raw sewage are prohibited to waters of the State. However, the Environmental Quality Commission (EQC) recognizes that it is impossible to design and construct a conveyance system that will prevent overflows under all storm conditions. The State of Oregon has determined that all wastewater conveyance systems should be designed to transport storm events up to a specific size to the treatment facility. Therefore, such storm related overflows will not be considered a violation of this permit if:

- (1) The permittee has conveyance and treatment facilities adequate to prevent overflows except during a storm event greater than the one-in-five-year, 24-hour duration storm from November 1 through May 21 and except during a storm event greater than the one-in-ten-year, 24-hour duration storm from May 22 through October 31. However, overflows during a storm event less than the one-in-five-year, 24-hour duration storm from November 1 through May 21 are also not permit violations if, the permittee had separate sanitary and storm sewers on January 10, 1996, had experienced sanitary sewer overflows due to inflow and infiltration problems, and has submitted an acceptable plan to the Department to address these sanitary sewer overflows by January 1, 2010;
- (2) The permittee has provided the highest and best practicable treatment and/or control of wastes, activities, and flows and has properly operated the conveyance and treatment facilities in compliance with General Condition B.1.;
- (3) The permittee has minimized the potential environmental and public health impacts from the overflow; and

(4) The permittee has properly maintained the capacity of the conveyance system.

c. Prohibition of other overflows. All overflows other than stormwater-related overflows (discussed in Schedule F, Section B, Condition 6.b.) are prohibited unless:

- (1) Overflows were unavoidable to prevent an uncontrolled overflow, loss of life, personal injury, or severe property damage;
- (2) There were no feasible alternatives to the overflows, such as the use of auxiliary pumping or conveyance systems, or maximization of conveyance system storage; and
- (3) The overflows are the result of an upset as defined in General Condition B.4. and meeting all requirements of this condition.

d. Uncontrolled overflows are prohibited where wastewater is likely to escape or be carried into the waters of the State by any means.

e. Reporting required. Unless otherwise specified in writing by the Department, all overflows and uncontrolled overflows must be reported orally to the Department within 24 hours from the time the permittee becomes aware of the overflow. Reporting procedures are described in more detail in General Condition D.5. Reports concerning storm related overflows must include information about the amount and intensity of the rainfall event causing the overflow.

7. Public Notification of Effluent Violation or Overflow

If effluent limitations specified in this permit are exceeded or an overflow occurs, upon request by the Department, the permittee must take such steps as are necessary to alert the public about the extent and nature of the discharge. Such steps may include, but are not limited to, posting of the river at access points and other places, news releases, and paid announcements on radio and television.

8. Removed Substances

Solids, sludges, filter backwash, or other pollutants removed in the course of treatment or control of wastewaters must be disposed of in such a manner as to prevent any pollutant from such materials from entering waters of the state, causing nuisance conditions, or creating a public health hazard.

SECTION C. MONITORING AND RECORDS

1. Representative Sampling

Sampling and measurements taken as required herein must be representative of the volume and nature of the monitored discharge. All samples must be taken at the monitoring points specified in this permit, and shall be taken, unless otherwise specified, before the effluent joins or is diluted by any other waste stream, body of water, or substance. Monitoring points may not be changed without notification to and the approval of the Department.

2. Flow Measurements

Appropriate flow measurement devices and methods consistent with accepted scientific practices must be selected and used to ensure the accuracy and reliability of measurements of the volume of monitored discharges. The devices must be installed, calibrated and maintained to insure that the accuracy of the measurements is consistent with the accepted capability of that type of device. Devices selected must be capable of measuring flows with a maximum deviation of less than ± 10 percent from true discharge rates throughout the range of expected discharge volumes.

3. Monitoring Procedures

Monitoring must be conducted according to test procedures approved under 40 CFR part 136, unless other test procedures have been specified in this permit.

4. Penalties of Tampering

The Clean Water Act provides that any person who falsifies, tampers with, or knowingly renders inaccurate any monitoring device or method required to be maintained under this permit may, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than \$10,000 per violation, imprisonment for not more than two years, or both. If a conviction of a person is for a violation committed after a first conviction of such person, punishment is a fine not more than \$20,000 per day of violation, or by imprisonment of not more than four years, or both.

5. Reporting of Monitoring Results

Monitoring results must be summarized each month on a Discharge Monitoring Report form approved by the Department. The reports must be submitted monthly and are to be mailed, delivered or otherwise transmitted by the 15th day of the following month unless specifically approved otherwise in Schedule B of this permit.

6. Additional Monitoring by the Permittee

If the permittee monitors any pollutant more frequently than required by this permit, using test procedures approved under 40 CFR part 136 or as specified in this permit, the results of this monitoring must be included in the calculation and reporting of the data submitted in the Discharge Monitoring Report. Such increased frequency must also be indicated. For a pollutant parameter that may be sampled more than once per day (e.g., Total Chlorine Residual), only the average daily value must be recorded unless otherwise specified in this permit.

7. Averaging of Measurements

Calculations for all limitations that require averaging of measurements must utilize an arithmetic mean, except for bacteria which shall be averaged as specified in this permit.

8. Retention of Records

Except for records of monitoring information required by this permit related to the permittee's sewage sludge use and disposal activities, which shall be retained for a period of at least five years (or longer as required by 40 CFR part 503). The permittee must retain records of all monitoring information, including: all calibration, maintenance records, all original strip chart recordings for continuous monitoring instrumentation, copies of all reports required by this permit, and records of all data used to complete the application for this permit for a period of at least 3 years from the date of the sample, measurement, report, or application. This period may be extended by request of the Department at any time.

9. Records Contents

Records of monitoring information must include:

- a. The date, exact place, time, and methods of sampling or measurements;
- b. The individual(s) who performed the sampling or measurements;
- c. The date(s) analyses were performed;
- d. The individual(s) who performed the analyses;
- e. The analytical techniques or methods used; and
- f. The results of such analyses.

10. Inspection and Entry

The permittee must allow the Department representative upon the presentation of credentials to:

- a. Enter upon the permittee's premises where a regulated facility or activity is located or conducted, or where records must be kept under the conditions of this permit;
- b. Have access to and copy, at reasonable times, any records that must be kept under the conditions of this permit;
- c. Inspect at reasonable times any facilities, equipment (including monitoring and control equipment), practices, or operations regulated or required under this permit, and

- d. Sample or monitor at reasonable times, for the purpose of assuring permit compliance or as otherwise authorized by state law, any substances or parameters at any location.

SECTION D. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

1. Planned Changes

The permittee must comply with OAR chapter 340, division 52, "Review of Plans and Specifications" and 40 CFR Section 122.41(l) (1). Except where exempted under OAR chapter 340, division 52, no construction, installation, or modification involving disposal systems, treatment works, sewerage systems, or common sewers may be commenced until the plans and specifications are submitted to and approved by the Department. The permittee must give notice to the Department as soon as possible of any planned physical alternations or additions to the permitted facility.

2. Anticipated Noncompliance

The permittee must give advance notice to the Department of any planned changes in the permitted facility or activity that may result in noncompliance with permit requirements.

3. Transfers

This permit may be transferred to a new permittee provided the transferee acquires a property interest in the permitted activity and agrees in writing to fully comply with all the terms and conditions of the permit and the rules of the Commission. No permit may be transferred to a third party without prior written approval from the Department. The Department may require modification, revocation, and reissuance of the permit to change the name of the permittee and incorporate such other requirements as may be necessary under the Clean Water Act (see 40 CFR Section 122.61; in some cases, modification or revocation and reissuance is mandatory).. The permittee must notify the Department when a transfer of property interest takes place.

4. Compliance Schedule

Reports of compliance or noncompliance with, or any progress reports on interim and final requirements contained in any compliance schedule of this permit must be submitted no later than 14 days following each schedule date. Any reports of noncompliance must include the cause of noncompliance, any remedial actions taken, and the probability of meeting the next scheduled requirements.

5. Twenty-Four Hour Reporting

The permittee must report any noncompliance that may endanger health or the environment. Any information must be provided orally (by telephone) within 24 hours, unless otherwise specified in this permit, from the time the permittee becomes aware of the circumstances. During normal business hours, the Department's Regional office must be called. Outside of normal business hours, the Department must be contacted at 1-800-452-0311 (Oregon Emergency Response System).

A written submission must also be provided within 5 days of the time the permittee becomes aware of the circumstances. Pursuant to ORS 468.959 (3) (a), if the permittee is establishing an affirmative defense of upset or bypass to any offense under ORS 468.922 to 468.946, delivered written notice must be made to the Department or other agency with regulatory jurisdiction within 4 (four) calendar days of the time the permittee becomes aware of the circumstances. The written submission must contain:

- a. A description of the noncompliance and its cause;
- b. The period of noncompliance, including exact dates and times;
- c. The estimated time noncompliance is expected to continue if it has not been corrected;
- d. Steps taken or planned to reduce, eliminate, and prevent reoccurrence of the noncompliance; and
- e. Public notification steps taken, pursuant to General Condition B.7

The following must be included as information that must be reported within 24 hours under this paragraph:

- f. Any unanticipated bypass that exceeds any effluent limitation in this permit;
- g. Any upset that exceeds any effluent limitation in this permit;
- h. Violation of maximum daily discharge limitation for any of the pollutants listed by the Department in this permit; and
- i. Any noncompliance that may endanger human health or the environment.

The Department may waive the written report on a case-by-case basis if the oral report has been received within 24 hours.

6. Other Noncompliance

The permittee must report all instances of noncompliance not reported under General Condition D.4 or D.5, at the time monitoring reports are submitted. The reports must contain:

- a. A description of the noncompliance and its cause;
- b. The period of noncompliance, including exact dates and times;
- c. The estimated time noncompliance is expected to continue if it has not been corrected; and
- d. Steps taken or planned to reduce, eliminate, and prevent reoccurrence of the noncompliance.

7. Duty to Provide Information

The permittee must furnish to the Department within a reasonable time any information that the Department may request to determine compliance with this permit. The permittee must also furnish to the Department, upon request, copies of records required to be kept by this permit.

Other Information: When the permittee becomes aware that it has failed to submit any relevant facts or has submitted incorrect information in a permit application or any report to the Department, it must promptly submit such facts or information.

8. Signatory Requirements

All applications, reports or information submitted to the Department must be signed and certified in accordance with 40 CFR Section 122.22.

9. Falsification of Information

Under ORS 468.953, any person who knowingly makes any false statement, representation, or certification in any record or other document submitted or required to be maintained under this permit, including monitoring reports or reports of compliance or noncompliance, is subject to a Class C felony punishable by a fine not to exceed \$100,000 per violation and up to 5 years in prison. Additionally, according to 40 CFR 122.41(k)(2), any person who knowingly makes any false statement, representation, or certification in any record or other document submitted or required to be maintained under this permit including monitoring reports or reports of compliance or non-compliance shall, upon conviction, be punished by a federal civil penalty not to exceed \$10,000 per violation, or by imprisonment for not more than 6 months per violation, or by both.

10. Changes to Indirect Dischargers

The permittee must provide adequate notice to the Department of the following:

- a. Any new introduction of pollutants into the POTW from an indirect discharger which would be subject to section 301 or 306 of the Clean Water Act if it were directly discharging those pollutants and;
- b. Any substantial change in the volume or character of pollutants being introduced into the POTW by a source introducing pollutants into the POTW at the time of issuance of the permit.
- c. For the purposes of this paragraph, adequate notice shall include information on (i) the quality and quantity of effluent introduced into the POTW, and (ii) any anticipated impact of the change on the quantity or quality of effluent to be discharged from the POTW.

SECTION E. DEFINITIONS

1. *BOD* means five-day biochemical oxygen demand.
2. *CBOD* means five day carbonaceous biochemical oxygen demand
3. *TSS* means total suspended solids.
4. "*Bacteria*" includes but is not limited to fecal coliform bacteria, total coliform bacteria, and *E. coli* bacteria.
5. *FC* means fecal coliform bacteria.
6. *Total residual chlorine* means combined chlorine forms plus free residual chlorine
7. *Technology based permit effluent limitations* means technology-based treatment requirements as defined in 40 CFR Section 125.3, and concentration and mass load effluent limitations that are based on minimum design criteria specified in OAR Chapter 340, Division 41.
8. *mg/l* means milligrams per liter.
9. *kg* means kilograms.
10. *m³/d* means cubic meters per day.
11. *MGD* means million gallons per day.
12. *24-hour Composite sample* means a sample formed by collecting and mixing discrete samples taken periodically and based on time or flow. The sample must be collected and stored in accordance with 40 CFR part 136.
13. *Grab sample* means an individual discrete sample collected over a period of time not to exceed 15 minutes.
14. *Quarter* means January through March, April through June, July through September, or October through December.
15. *Month* means calendar month.
16. *Week* means a calendar week of Sunday through Saturday.
17. *POTW* means a publicly owned treatment works