DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

PUBLIC NOTICE OF ISSUANCE OF 5 NPDES GENERAL PERMITS PUBLIC NOTICE NO: 2015-11GP -F

On November 5, 2015, the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) issued five (5) NPDES General Permits in a new format. These administrative NPDES general permits will supersede and replace the requirements for these discharges that are currently regulated under Article 15 of Title 327 of the Indiana Administrative Code. These include the following types of discharges to surface waters of the state:

NPDES Permit Number ING080000 for Groundwater Petroleum Remediation Systems. The purpose of this permit is to establish requirements for point source discharges from any conveyance used for collecting and conveying wastewater that is directly related to ground water petroleum remediation systems or activities, which includes gasoline, diesel fuel, kerosene contamination of the ground water.

NPDES Permit Number ING670000 for Hydrostatic Testing of Commercial Pipelines. The purpose of this permit is to establish requirements for point source discharges of waters used for the hydrostatic testing of commercial pipelines that are used for the transportation of natural gas, crude oil, and liquid or gaseous petroleum.

NPDES Permit Number ING250000 for Once Through Noncontact Cooling Water. The purpose of this permit is to establish requirements for point source discharges of cooling water that is used for the sole purpose of removing unwanted heat from a process; only makes one pass through a unit that exchanges heat between the process and the cooling water (generally a heat exchanger); and does not come into contact with any raw material or manufactured product.

NPDES Permit Number ING340000 for Petroleum Products Terminals. The purpose of this permit is to establish requirements for discharges from these facilities of specific point sources that include: hydrostatic test waters from storage tanks and on-site pipelines that have been used for the storage and/or transfer or conveyance of crude oil or liquid petroleum hydrocarbons; discharges of storm water runoff specifically from the diked containment areas of these storage tanks; and discharges of tank bottom water from these storage tanks.

NPDES Permit Number ING490000 for Sand, Gravel, Dimension Stone, and Crushed Stone Operations.

The purpose of this permit is to establish requirements for point source discharges of wastewater from sedimentation treatment basins at sand, gravel, crushed stone, and dimensional stone operations. This includes sites that utilize sedimentation basin treatment for pit dewatering, channel machines, broaching, jet piercing, scrubber water from wet scrubbers used for air pollution control, dust suppression spray water, wash water from spray bars for final screening operations, and noncontact cooling water for cooling of crusher bearings, drills, saws, dryers, pumps, and air compressors.

IDEM public noticed the draft general permits from December 15, 2014, and the comment period ended on February 6, 2015. Each general permit contains specific eligibility requirements. Ineligible discharges will require an individual NPDES permit or an alternate general permit (if available). Only facilities existing within the boundaries of Indiana may obtain NPDES general permit coverage.

APPEAL PROCEDURES FOR FINAL PERMITS

The final NPDES general permits and related documents are posted on IDEM's website at: http://www.in.gov/idem/cleanwater/2480.htm

The final NPDES general permits are available for review at the IDEM Central Office, Indiana Government Center North, Room 1255, 100 N. Senate Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., M - F, excluding state holidays (copies 10¢ per page). Copies of the final permit documents are also available at the local health departments and at IDEM's Regional Offices. The documents are also available via e-mail request. See these sites for information concerning your rights and responsibilities: http://www.in.gov/idem/5474.htm and http://www.in.gov/idem/5903.htm. Please tell others whom you think would be interested in this matter.

Appeal Procedure: Any person affected by the issuance of the Final Permit may appeal by filing a Petition for Administrative Review with the Office of Environmental Adjudication (OEA) within eighteen (18) days of the date of this Public Notice. Any appeal request must be filed in accordance with IC 4-21.5-3-7 and must include facts demonstrating that the party requesting appeal is the applicant; a person aggrieved or adversely affected or is otherwise entitled to review by law. The Petition for Administrative Review must be received by the OEA within 18

days of the date of this Public Notice; either by U.S. Mail postmark or by private carrier with dated receipt. This Petition for Administrative Review represents a request for an Adjudicatory Hearing, therefore must:

- 1. state the name and address of the person making the request;
- 2. identify the interest of the person making the request;
- 3. identify any persons represented by the person making the request;
- 4. state specifically the reasons for the request;
- 5. state specifically the issues proposed for consideration at the hearing; and
- 6. identify the Final Permit terms and conditions which, in the judgment of the person making the request, would be appropriate to satisfy the requirements of the law governing these NPDES Permit(s).

If the person filing the Petition for Administrative Review desires any part of any final NPDES General Permit to be stayed pending the outcome of the appeal, a Petition for Stay must be included in the appeal request, identifying those parts to be stayed. Both Petitions shall be mailed or delivered to this address:

Environmental Law Judge
Office of Environmental Adjudication
IGC – North Building- Rm 501
100 N. Senate Avenue
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Stay Time frame: If the Petition(s) is filed within eighteen (18) days of the mailing of this Public Notice, the effective date of any part of the permit, within the scope of the Petition for Stay is suspended for fifteen (15) days. The Permit will become effective again upon expiration of the fifteen (15) days, unless or until an Environmental Law Judge stays the permit action in whole or in part.

Hearing Notification: Pursuant to Indiana Code, when a written request is submitted, the OEA will provide the petitioner or any person wanting notification, with the Notice of pre-hearing conferences, preliminary hearings, hearing stays or orders disposing of the Petition for Administrative Review. Petition for Administrative Review must be filed in compliance with the procedures and time frames outlined above. Procedural or scheduling questions should be directed to the OEA at (317) 232-8591.

Questions about the final NPDES general permits may be directed to any of the following IDEM staff: C. Anne Burget at (317) 234-8745, Sheri Jordan at (317) 232-8703, or Catherine Hess at (317) 232-8704. Please send any e-mail inquiries to owgwwper@idem.in.gov.

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