

GENERAL WV/NPDES WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PERMIT STORMWATER DISCHARGES FROM SMALL MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEMS MODIFICATION A

The Division of Water and Waste Management is modifying General West Virginia National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit for Stormwater Discharges From Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System. The General Permit covers discharges to waters of the state from Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System as defined in the General Permit. The modification becomes effective on September 13, 2011.

This modification is to Part II.C.b.6.d (Industrial Stormwater Coverage for Municipal Operations), Part IV.B. (Stormwater Monitoring) and Part IV.D.5 (Reporting).

Part II.C.b.6.d (Industrial Stormwater Coverage for Municipal Operations) is being changed from the following:

Stormwater samples shall be collected once every six months, during the spring and fall seasons. Monitoring results shall be submitted to the DWWM with the annual report.

To the following:

The permittee's semi-annual reporting start date is determined by the date coverage under the General Permit was issued and/or reissued. Registrations issued/reissued on the first through the fifteenth of a month will use that month to determine the semi-annual reporting date. Registrations issued after the fifteenth of each month will use the next month to determine the reporting start date. For example, if permit coverage was issued in February, on or prior to the 15th of the month, results shall be reported by August 20th. If permit coverage was issued in February, after the 15th of the month, results shall be reported by September 20th.

All discharge monitoring reporting will require mandatory electronic submission. The technical requirements for the eDMR process will be an internet connection, an email account and internet browser software, such as Microsoft's Internet Explorer, Version 7.0 or higher. Permittees that do not have the above requirements and/or are unable to participate in the mandatory eDMR process must submit a written explanation to DWWM advising why the eDMR process cannot be used. DWWM will review such explanations and notify the permittee in writing that an exemption has been approved or denied.

Part IV.B. (Stormwater Monitoring) is being changed from the following:

Stormwater samples shall be collected once every six months, during the spring and fall seasons.

To the following:

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Part IV.D.5 (Reporting) is being changed from the following:

Results of information collected and analyzed, including monitoring data, during the annual reporting period;

To the following:

Results of information collected and analyzed, including monitoring data, during the annual reporting period which has not been reported through the eDMR process;