

Re: Final Administrative Record  
National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES)  
NPDES Permit Renewal

NPDES PERMIT NUMBER: DC0000221

PERMITTEE NAME and MAILING ADDRESS:

Government of the District of Columbia  
The John A. Wilson Building  
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20004

FACILITY LOCATION:

Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4)

RECEIVING STREAM:

Potomac River, Anacostia River, Rock Creek and stream segments  
tributary to each such water body

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