

PRETREATMENT PERMIT

issued to

Plainville Plating Company, Inc.  
21 Forestville Avenue  
Plainville, CT 06062

Location Address:

21 Forestville Avenue  
Plainville, CT 06062

**Permit ID:** SP0002385

**Permit Expires:** \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION 1: GENERAL PROVISIONS**

- (A) This permit is reissued in accordance with section 22a-430 of Chapter 446k, Connecticut General Statutes ("CGS"), and Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies ("RCSA") adopted thereunder, as amended, and a modified Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) dated June 3, 1981, by the Administrator of the United States Environmental Protection Agency which authorizes the State of Connecticut to administer a Pretreatment Program pursuant to 40 CFR Part 403.
- (B) Plainville Plating Company, Inc. ("Permittee"), shall comply with all conditions of this permit including the following sections of the RCSA which have been adopted pursuant to section 22a-430 of the CGS and are hereby incorporated into this permit. Your attention is especially drawn to the notification requirements of subsection (i)(2), (i)(3), (j)(1), (j)(6), (j)(8), (j)(9)(C), (j)(11)(C), (D), (E), and (F), (k)(3) and (4) and (l)(2) of section 22a-430-3.

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  - (t) Discharges to POTWs - Prohibitions
- (C) Violations of any of the terms, conditions, or limitations contained in this permit may subject the Permittee to enforcement action, including but not limited to, seeking penalties, injunctions and/or forfeitures pursuant to applicable sections of the CGS and RCSA. Specifically, civil penalties of up to twenty-five thousand dollars may be assessed per violation per day.
- (D) Any false statement in any information submitted pursuant to this permit may be punishable as a criminal offense under section 22a-438 or 22a-131a of the CGS or in accordance with section 22a-6, under section 53a-157b of the CGS.
- (E) The authorization to discharge under this permit may not be transferred without prior written approval of the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection ("the Commissioner"). To request such approval, the Permittee and proposed transferee shall register such proposed transfer with the Commissioner at least 30 days prior to the transferee becoming legally responsible for creating or maintaining any discharge which is the subject of the permit transfer. Failure by the transferee to obtain the Commissioner's approval prior to commencing such discharge(s) may subject the transferee to enforcement action for discharging without a permit pursuant to applicable sections of the CGS and RCSA.
- (F) Nothing in this permit shall relieve the Permittee of other obligations under applicable federal, state and local law.
- (G) An annual fee shall be paid for each year this permit is in effect as set forth in section 22a-430-7 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

## **SECTION 2: DEFINITIONS**

- (A) The definitions of the terms used in this permit shall be the same as the definitions contained in section 22a-423 of the CGS and section 22a-430-3(a) and 22a-430-6 of the RCSA.
- (B) In addition to the above the following definitions shall apply to this permit:
- "----" in the limits column on the monitoring table means a limit is not specified but a value must be reported on the DMR.
- "Average Monthly Limit" means the maximum allowable "Average Monthly Concentration" as defined in section 22a-430-3(a) of the RCSA when expressed as a concentration (e.g. mg/l); otherwise, it means "Average Monthly Discharge Limitation" as defined in section 22a-430-3(a) of the RCSA.
- "Daily Concentration" means the concentration of a substance as measured in a daily composite sample, or the arithmetic average of all grab sample results defining a grab sample average.
- "Daily Quantity" means the quantity of waste generated during an operating day.
- "Grab Sample Average" (GSA) means the arithmetic average of all grab sample analyses, grab samples shall be collected just prior to discharge from each tank over a full operating day for as long as a discharge exists on that day (minimum of two grab samples per day).
- "Instantaneous Limit" means the highest allowable concentration of a substance as measured by a grab sample, or the highest allowable measurement of a parameter as obtained through instantaneous monitoring.
- "Maximum Daily Limit" means the maximum allowable "Daily Concentration" (defined above) when expressed as a concentration (e.g. mg/l); otherwise, it means the maximum allowable "Daily Quantity" as

defined above unless it is expressed as a flow quantity. If expressed as a flow quantity it means "Maximum Daily Flow" as defined in section 22a-430-3(a) of the RCSA.

"NA" as a Monitoring Table abbreviation means "not applicable".

"NR" as a Monitoring Table abbreviation means "not required".

"Quarterly", in the context of a sampling frequency, means sampling is required in the months of March, June, September, and December.

"Range During Sampling" or "RDS", as a sample type, means the maximum and minimum of all values recorded as a result of analyzing each grab sample of; 1) a Composite Sample, or 2) a Grab Sample Average. For those permittees with continuous monitoring and recording pH meters, Range During Sampling shall mean the maximum and minimum readings recorded with the continuous monitoring device during the Composite or Grab Sample Average sample collection.

"Semi-Annual" in the context of a sampling frequency, means the sample must be collected in the months of June and December.

"Twice per Month" when used as a sample frequency shall mean two samples per calendar month collected no less than 12 days apart.

### SECTION 3: COMMISSIONER'S DECISION

- (A) The Commissioner has made a final determination and found that the continuance of the existing system to treat the discharge will protect the waters of the state from pollution. The Commissioner's decision is based on Application No. 201205979 for permit reissuance received on August 21, 2012 and the administrative record established in the processing of that application.
- (B) (1) From the issuance of this permit through and including [LAST DAY OF MONTH, MONTH OF PERMIT REISSUANCE], the Commissioner hereby authorizes the Permittee to discharge in accordance with the terms and conditions of Permit No. SP0002385, issued by the Commissioner to the Permittee on February 20, 2008, the previous application submitted by the Permittee on August 21, 2012, and all modifications and approvals issued by the Commissioner or the Commissioner's authorized agent for the discharge and/or activities authorized by, or associated with, Permit No. SP0002385, issued by the Commissioner to the Permittee on February 20, 2008.
- (2) From [FIRST DAY OF MONTH, MONTH FOLLOWING PERMIT REISSUANCE] until this permit expires or is modified or revoked, the Commissioner hereby authorizes the Permittee to discharge in accordance with the terms and conditions of Permit No. SP0002385, issued by the Commissioner to the Permittee on [DATE OF PERMIT ISSUANCE], Application No. 201205979 received by the Department on August 21, 2012, and all modifications and approvals issued by the Commissioner or the Commissioner's authorized agent for the discharge and/or activities authorized by, or associated with, Permit No. SP0002385, issued by the Commissioner to the Permittee on [DATE OF PERMIT ISSUANCE].
- (C) The Commissioner reserves the right to make appropriate revisions to the permit in order to establish any appropriate effluent limitations, schedules of compliance, or other provisions that may be authorized under the Federal Clean Water Act or the Connecticut General Statutes or regulations adopted thereunder, as amended. The permit as modified or renewed under this paragraph may also contain any other requirements of the Federal Clean Water Act or Connecticut General Statutes or regulations adopted thereunder which are then applicable.

### SECTION 4: EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS

- (A) The discharge shall not exceed and shall otherwise conform to specific terms and conditions listed below. The discharge is restricted by, and shall be monitored in accordance with, the tables below.

**Table A**

<b>Discharge Serial Number: 001-1</b>					<b>Monitoring Location: 1</b>			
<b>Wastewater Description: Treated wastewaters from metal finishing processes, floor washing, floor spills</b>								
<b>Monitoring Location Description: Sampling port after the sand filter</b>								
<b>Discharge is to: The Town of Plainville Water Pollution Control Facility</b>								
PARAMETER	UNITS	FLOW/TIME BASED MONITORING				INSTANTANEOUS MONITORING		
		Average Monthly Limit	Maximum Daily Limit	Sample/Reporting Frequency <sup>2</sup>	Sample Type or Measurement to be reported	Instantaneous limit or required range	Sample/Reporting Frequency <sup>2</sup>	Sample Type or measurement to be reported
Barium, Total	mg/l	2.0	4.0	Semi-Annual	Daily Composite	6.0	NR	Grab
Cadmium, Total	mg/l	0.07	0.11	Weekly	Daily Composite	0.16	NR	Grab
Chromium, Total	mg/l	1.0	2.0	Weekly	Daily Composite	3.0	NR	Grab
Copper, Total	mg/l	1.0	2.0	Weekly	Daily Composite	3.0	NR	Grab
Cyanide, Amenable	mg/l	0.01	0.02	Weekly	GSA	0.03	NR	Grab
Cyanide, Total	mg/l	0.1	0.3	Weekly	GSA	0.45	NR	Grab
Flow Rate (Average Daily) <sup>1</sup>	gpd	72,000	78,000	Continuous	Daily Flow	NA	NR	NA
Flow, Maximum during 24 hr period <sup>1</sup>	gpd	NA	78,000	Continuous	Daily Flow	NA	NR	NA
Flow (Day of Sampling)	gpd	NA	78,000	Weekly	Daily Flow	NA	NR	NA
pH, Day of Sampling	S.U.	NA	NA	NR	NA	6.0-10.0	Weekly	RDS
pH, Minimum	S.U.	NA	NA	NR	NA	6.0	Continuous	Continuous
pH, Maximum	S.U.	NA	NA	NR	NA	10.0	Continuous	Continuous
Lead, Total	mg/l	0.1	0.5	Semi-Annual	Daily Composite	0.75	NR	Grab
Nickel, Total	mg/l	1.0	2.0	Weekly	Daily Composite	3.0	NR	Grab
Silver, Total	mg/l	0.1	0.43	Semi-Annual	Daily Composite	0.64	NR	NA
Tin, Total	mg/l	2.0	4.0	Semi-Annual	Daily Composite	6.0	NR	NA
Total Suspended Solids	mg/l	NA	----	Quarterly	Daily Composite	NA	NR	Grab
Total Toxic Organics <sup>3</sup>	mg/l	NA	NA	NR	NA	0.5	Monthly	Grab
Zinc, Total	mg/l	1.0	2.0	Monthly	Daily Composite	3.0	NR	Grab
<b>Table Footnotes and Remarks:</b>								
<b>Footnotes:</b>								
<sup>1</sup> For this parameter the Permittee shall maintain at the facility a record of the Total Daily Flow for each day of discharge and shall report the Average Daily Flow and the Maximum Daily Flow for each sampling month.								
<sup>2</sup> The first entry in this column is the 'Sample Frequency'. If this entry is not followed by a 'Reporting Frequency' and the 'Sample Frequency' is more frequent than monthly then the 'Reporting Frequency' is monthly. If the 'Sample frequency' is specified as monthly, or less frequent, then the 'Reporting Frequency' is the same as the 'Sample Frequency'.								
<b>Remarks:</b>								
<sup>3</sup> See Section 5, paragraph G.								

**Table B**

<b>Discharge Serial Number: 001-A</b>					<b>Monitoring Location: 1</b>			
<b>Wastewater Description: Chromium bearing wastewater following chromium reduction treatment</b>								
<b>Monitoring Location Description: Sampling port after the chromium batch treatment reactor</b>								
<b>Discharge is to: Pretreatment tank</b>								
PARAMETER	UNITS	FLOW/TIME BASED MONITORING				INSTANTANEOUS MONITORING		
		Average Monthly Limit	Maximum Daily Limit	Sample/Reporting Frequency <sup>2</sup>	Sample Type or Measurement to be reported	Instantaneous limit or required range	Sample/ Reporting Frequency <sup>2</sup>	Sample Type or measurement to be reported
Chromium, Hexavalent	mg/l	0.1	0.2	Weekly	GSA	0.3	NR	Grab
<b>Table Footnotes and Remarks:</b>								
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<sup>1</sup> For this parameter the Permittee shall maintain at the facility a record of the Total Daily Flow for each day of discharge and shall report the Average Daily Flow and the Maximum Daily Flow for each sampling month.								
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- (B) All samples shall be comprised of only those wastewaters described in this schedule; therefore, samples shall be taken prior to combination with wastewaters of any other type and after all approved treatment units, if applicable. All samples taken shall be representative of the discharge during standard operating conditions.
- (C) In cases where limits and sample type are specified but sampling is not required, the limits specified shall apply to all samples which may be collected and analyzed by, the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection personnel, the Permittee, or other parties.

#### SECTION 5: SAMPLE COLLECTION, HANDLING AND ANALYTICAL TECHNIQUES AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

- (A) Chemical analyses to determine compliance with effluent limits and conditions established in this permit shall be performed using the methods approved by the Environmental Protection Agency pursuant to 40 CFR 136 unless an alternative method has been approved in writing in accordance with 40 CFR 136.4 or as provided in section 22a-430-3(j)(7) of the RCSA. Chemicals which do not have methods of analysis defined in 40 CFR 136 shall be analyzed in accordance with methods specified in this permit.
- (B) All metals analyses identified in this permit shall refer to analyses for Total Recoverable Metal as defined in 40 CFR 136 unless otherwise specified.
- (C) The results of chemical analysis required above shall be entered on the Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR), provided by this office, and reported to the Bureau of Materials Management and Compliance Assurance at the following address. Except for continuous monitoring, any monitoring required more frequently than monthly shall be reported on an attachment to the DMR, and any additional monitoring conducted in accordance with 40 CFR 136 or other methods approved by the Commissioner shall also be included on the DMR, or as an attachment, if necessary. The report shall also include a detailed explanation of any violations of the limitations specified. The DMR shall be received at this address by the last day of the month following the month in which samples are taken.

Bureau of Materials Management and Compliance Assurance  
Water Permitting and Enforcement Division (Attn: DMR Processing)  
Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection  
79 Elm Street  
Hartford, CT 06106-5127

- (D) If this permit requires monitoring of a discharge on a calendar basis (e.g. Monthly, quarterly, etc.) but a discharge has not occurred within the frequency of sampling specified in the permit, the Permittee must submit the DMR as scheduled, indicating "NO DISCHARGE". For those permittees whose required monitoring is discharge dependent (e.g. per batch), the minimum reporting frequency is monthly. Therefore, if there is no discharge during a calendar month for a batch discharge, a DMR must be submitted indicating such by the end of the following month.
- (E) NetDMR Reporting Requirements

1. Prior to one-hundred and eighty (180) days after the issuance of this permit, the Permittee may either submit monitoring data and other reports to the Department in hard copy form or electronically using NetDMR, a web-based tool that allows Permittees to electronically submit discharge monitoring reports (DMRs) and other required reports through a secure internet connection. Unless otherwise approved in writing by the Commissioner, no later than one-hundred and eighty (180) days after the issuance of this permit the Permittee shall begin reporting electronically using NetDMR. Specific requirements regarding subscription to NetDMR and submittal of data and reports in hard copy form and for submittal using NetDMR are described below:

- a. *Submittal of NetDMR Subscriber Agreement*

On or before fifteen (15) days after the issuance of this permit, the Permittee and/or the person authorized to sign the Permittee's discharge monitoring reports ("Signatory Authority") as described in RCSA Section 22a-430-3(b)(2) shall contact the Department at [deep.netdmr@ct.gov](mailto:deep.netdmr@ct.gov) and initiate the NetDMR subscription process for electronic submission of Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) information. Information on NetDMR is available on the Department's website at [www.ct.gov/deep/netdmr](http://www.ct.gov/deep/netdmr). On or before ninety (90) days after issuance of this permit the Permittee shall submit a signed and notarized copy of the **Connecticut DEEP NetDMR Subscriber Agreement** to the Department.

- b. *Submittal of Reports Using NetDMR*

Unless otherwise approved by the Commissioner, on or before one-hundred and eighty (180) days after issuance of this permit, the Permittee and/or the Signatory Authority shall electronically submit DMRs and reports required under this permit to the Department using NetDMR in satisfaction of the DMR submission requirement of Section 5(C) of this permit.

DMRs shall be submitted electronically to the Department no later than the 30th day of the month following the completed reporting period. All reports required under the permit, including any monitoring conducted more frequently than monthly or any additional monitoring conducted in accordance with 40 CFR 136, shall be submitted to the Department as an electronic attachment to the DMR in NetDMR. Once a Permittee begins submitting reports using NetDMR, it will no longer be required to submit hard copies of DMRs or other reports to the Department. The Permittee shall also electronically file any written report of non-compliance described in Section 6 of this permit as an attachment in NetDMR. NetDMR is accessed from: <http://www.epa.gov/netdmr>.

c. Submittal of NetDMR Opt-Out Requests

If the Permittee is able to demonstrate a reasonable basis, such as technical or administrative infeasibility, that precludes the use of NetDMR for electronically submitting DMRs and reports, the Commissioner may approve the submission of DMRs and other required reports in hard copy form ("opt-out request"). Opt-out requests must be submitted in writing to the Department for written approval on or before fifteen (15) days prior to the date a Permittee would be required under this permit to begin filing DMRs and other reports using NetDMR. This demonstration shall be valid for twelve (12) months from the date of the Department's approval and shall thereupon expire. At such time, DMRs and reports shall be submitted electronically to the Department using NetDMR unless the Permittee submits a renewed opt-out request and such request is approved by the Department.

All opt-out requests and requests for the NetDMR subscriber form should be sent to the following address or by email at [deep.netdmr@ct.gov](mailto:deep.netdmr@ct.gov):

**Attn: NetDMR Coordinator**  
**Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection**  
**79 Elm Street**  
**Hartford, CT 06106-5127**

- (F) Copies of all DMRs shall be submitted concurrently to the local Water Pollution Control Authority ("WPCA") involved in the treatment and collection of the permitted discharge.
- (G) For Total Toxic Organics (TTO) monitoring, in accordance with 22a-430-4(l) of the RCSA and, 40 CFR 433 (Metal Finishing), the Permittee may, in lieu of analyzing for TTO, include a statement on each DMR certifying compliance with its approved Solvent Management Plan. This certification statement shall be as follows:

*"Based on my inquiry of the person or persons responsible for managing compliance with the permit limitation for Total Toxic Organics (TTO), I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, no dumping of concentrated toxic organics into the wastewaters has occurred since filing the last discharge monitoring report which required such certification. I further certify that this facility is implementing the solvent management plan approved by the Commissioner."*

**SECTION 6: RECORDING AND REPORTING OF VIOLATIONS, ADDITIONAL TESTING REQUIREMENTS**

- (A) If any sample analysis indicates that an effluent limitation specified in Section 4 of this permit has been exceeded, a second sample of the effluent shall be collected and analyzed for the parameter(s) in question and the results reported to the Bureau of Materials Management and Compliance Assurance (Attn: DMR Processing) within 30 days of the exceedance.
- (B) The Permittee shall immediately notify the Bureau of Materials Management and Compliance Assurance and the local WPCA of all discharges that could cause problems to the Publicly Owned Treatment Works ("POTW"), including but not limited to slug loadings of pollutants which may cause a violation of the POTW's NPDES permit, or which may inhibit or disrupt the POTW, its treatment processes or operations, or its sludge processes, use or disposal.

- (C) In addition to the notification requirements specified in Section 1B of this permit, if any sampling and analysis of the discharge performed by the Permittee indicates a violation of limits specified in Section 4 of this permit, the Permittee shall notify the Bureau of Materials Management and Compliance Assurance within 24 hours of becoming aware of the violation.

## SECTION 7: COMPLIANCE CONDITIONS

In accordance with 40 CFR §403.8(f)(2)(viii), the Commissioner may provide public notification, in a newspaper of general circulation in the area of the respective POTW, of permittees that at any time in the previous twelve months were in significant noncompliance with the provisions of this permit. For the purposes of this provision, a permittee that is a Significant Industrial User is in significant noncompliance if its violation(s) meet(s) one or more of the following criteria:

- **Chronic violations:** Those in which sixty-six (66%) percent or more of all measurements taken for the same pollutant parameter during a six-month period exceed (by any magnitude) the Average Monthly, Maximum Daily, or Maximum Instantaneous Limit(s).
- **Technical Review Criteria violations:** Those in which thirty-three (33%) or more of all of the measurements taken for the same pollutant parameter during a six-month period equal or exceed the Average Monthly, Maximum Daily, or Maximum Instantaneous Limit(s) multiplied by 1.4 for BOD, TSS, fats, oil, and grease, or 1.2 for all other pollutants except pH.
- **Monitoring Reports:** Failure to provide, within 45 days after the due date, required reports such as DMRs.
- **Compliance Schedule:** Failure to meet within 90 days after the schedule date, a compliance schedule milestone contained in or linked to a respective permit for starting construction, completing construction, or attaining final compliance.
- **Noncompliance Reporting:** Failure to accurately report noncompliance in accordance with provisions identified in Section 6 of this permit.
- **Discretionary:** Any other violation of an effluent limit that the Department determines has caused, alone or in combination with other discharges, a violation of the POTW's NPDES permit, inhibition or disruption of the POTW, its treatment processes or operations, or its sludge processes, use or disposal.
- **Imminent Endangerment:** Any discharge of a pollutant that has caused imminent endangerment to human health, welfare or to the environment, or has resulted in the Department's exercise of its emergency authority under 40 CFR §403.8(f)(1)(vi)(B) to halt or prevent such a discharge.
- **BMPs:** Any other violation or group of violations, which may include a violation of Best Management Practices, which the Department determines will adversely affect the operation or implementation of the pretreatment program.

This permit is hereby issued on [DRAFT]

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Macky McCleary  
Deputy Commissioner  
Department of Energy and Environmental Protection

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cc: Town of Plainville POTW



# DATA TRACKING AND TECHNICAL FACT SHEET

Permittee: Plainville Plating Company, Inc.

PERMIT, ADDRESS, AND FACILITY DATA

PERMIT No. SP0002385

APPLICATION No. 201205979

<p><u>Mailing Address:</u></p> <p>Street: 21 Forestville Avenue</p> <p>City: Plainville ST: CT Zip: 06062</p> <hr/> <p>Contact Name: Charles Pratt</p> <p>Phone No.: (860) 747-1624</p>	<p><u>Location Address:</u></p> <p>Street: 21 Forestville Avenue</p> <p>City: Plainville ST: CT Zip: 06062</p> <hr/> <p><b>DMR Contact</b></p> <p>Phone No.:</p>
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PERMIT INFORMATION

**DURATION**    5 YEAR                     10 YEAR                     30 YEAR

**TYPE**                    New                     Reissuance                     Modification

**CATEGORIZATION**    POINT (X)                    NON-POINT ( )                    GIS #

**NPDES ( )**                    PRETREAT (X)                    GROUNDWATER (UIC) ( )                    GROUND WATER (OTHER) ( )

NPDES MAJOR (MA)

NPDES or PRETREAT SIU (SI)

NPDES or PRETREATMENT MINOR (MI)

PRETREAT SIGNIFICANT INDUS USER (SIU)

PRETREAT CATEGORICAL (CIU)

POLLUTION PREVENTION MANDATE                     ENVIRONMENTAL EQUITY ISSUE

SOLVENT MANAGEMENT PLAN

Is the facility operating under an approved solvent management plan?                    YES                     NO

Approved on: May 7, 2013.

COMPLIANCE ISSUES

COMPLIANCE SCHEDULE    YES                    NO  (If yes check off what it is in relation to.)

POLLUTION PREVENTION     TREATMENT REQUIREMENT     WATER CONSERVATION

WATER QUALITY REQUIREMENT     REMEDIATION     OTHER

**IS THE PERMITTEE SUBJECT TO A PENDING ENFORCEMENT ACTION? NO  YES**

OWNERSHIP CODE

Private     Federal     State     Municipal (town only)     Other public

DEEP STAFF ENGINEER Mariana Miller

**PERMIT FEES**

Discharge Code	DSN Number	Annual Fee
501035Z	001-1	\$8,425.00
501035N	001-A	Waived

**FOR SEWER DISCHARGES**

Discharge to Plainville POTW via its collection system. The facility I.D. of the POTW is 110-001.

**NATURE OF BUSINESS GENERATING DISCHARGE**

Plainville Plating Company, Inc. is a plating facility engaged in specification finishes for aircraft component industries and general metal finishing manufacturers. The processes include nickel plating, electroless nickel plating, cyanide copper plating, acid copper plating, cyanide brass plating, silver plating, chromium plating, cadmium plating, and aluminum anodizing.

**PROCESS AND TREATMENT DESCRIPTION (by DSN)**

DSN 001: These wastewaters are generated by metal finishing operations. The on-site wastewater treatment system consists of pH adjustment, flocculation, clarification, sand filter, filter press, and sludge dewatering. The treated effluent is discharged to the sanitary sewer.

DSN 001-A: These wastewaters are generated by hexavalent chromium reduction. It is a continuous discharge from a batch tank to the neutralization tank in the wastewater treatment system.

**RESOURCES USED TO DRAFT PERMIT**

- Federal Effluent Limitation Guideline 40 CFR 433  
Metal Finishing
- Performance Standards
- Federal Development Document
- Treatability Manual
- Department File Information
- Connecticut Water Quality Standards
- Anti-degradation Policy
- Coastal Management Consistency Review Form (See Other Comments)
- Other – Explain

**BASIS FOR LIMITATIONS, STANDARDS OR CONDITIONS**

- X   Case-by-Case Determination using Best Professional Judgement (BPJ)
- X   Section 22a-430-4(s) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies (RCSA)
- X   Pretreatment Standards for New Sources (PSNS)

Outfall	Parameter	Case by Case using BPJ	Section 22a-430-4(s) of the RCSA	Pretreatment Standards for New Sources (PSNS)
001-1	Barium, Total		X	
	Cadmium, Total		X	
	Cadmium, Total; MIL	X		
	Chromium, Total		X	
	Copper, Total		X	
	Cyanide, Amenable	X		
	Cyanide, Total	X		
	Lead, Total		X	
	Nickel, Total		X	
	pH	X		
	Silver, Total; AML		X	
	Silver, Total; MDL			X
	Silver, Total, MIL	X		
	Tin, Total		X	
	Total Toxic Organics (TTOs)	X		
Zinc, Total		X		
001-A	Chromium, Hexavalent		X	

AML: Average Monthly Limit, MDL: Maximum Daily Limit, MIL: Maximum Instantaneous Limit

**GENERAL COMMENTS**

In developing the permit's concentration limits, EPA Metal Finishing Categorical Limits (40 CFR Part 433) and Section 22a-430-4(s)(2) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies limits were compared. Except as noted above, the Connecticut limits were found to be more stringent and thus incorporated in the permit.

The pH limits of 6.0-10.0 S.U. are considered to be protective of sanitary sewer systems.

**OTHER COMMENTS**

Plainville Plating Company, Inc. started discharging wastewater to an onsite lagoon prior to May 1986. After May 1986, the discharge was routed to the river under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) program. On November 15, 2002 the discharge was routed to the sanitary sewer. The company is subject to the 40 CFR 433 regulations and the Pretreatment Standards for New Sources (PSNS).

Plainville Plating Company, Inc. is a "job shop", as defined in 40 CFR 433.

Although there is a continuous discharge from DSN 001-1, certain wastewaters are batch-discharged into the treatment system. Wastewaters from spills and floor washing, spent acid and alkaline, and spent sulfuric acid from anodizing are batch treated in one reactor and then discharged to the neutralization tank in the treatment system.

Previously, the average monthly, maximum daily, and instantaneous limits set for cadmium were 0.1 mg/l, 0.5 mg/l, and 0.75 mg/l, respectively. However, in accordance with Section 22a-430-4(s)(2)(1), the average monthly and maximum daily limits of 0.07 mg/L and 0.11 mg/L apply to discharges subject to PSNS. The Maximum Instantaneous Limit (MIL) was then determined by multiplying the Maximum Daily Limit (MDL) by a factor of 1.5. In order to remain conservative, the calculated value was rounded to 0.16 mg/l.

The previous permit included an MIL of 0.65 mg/l for silver. For this permit, the calculated MIL value  $((0.43 \text{ mg/l}) * (1.5))$  was rounded to 0.64 mg/l in order to remain conservative.

The existing permit includes a Total Toxic Organics limit of 0.5 mg/l; total cyanide limits of 0.1 mg/l (AML) and 0.3 mg/l (MDL); and amenable cyanide limits of 0.01 mg/l (AML) and 0.03 mg/l (MDL) at the final discharge point. These limits are included in this permit renewal.

As of September 24, 2012, Plainville Plating Company, Inc.'s wastewaters related to cooling tower discharge, water treatment discharge, and boiler blowdown discharge are covered under the *General Permit for the Discharge of Minor Non-Contact Cooling and Heat Pump Water*, *General Permit for the Discharge of Water Treatment Wastewater*, and the *General Permit for the Discharge of Minor Boiler Blowdown Wastewater*, respectively.

Mr. Joseph Alosso of the Plainville Water Pollution Control Facility confirmed that he is okay with the permit conditions on May 16, 2013.

**NOTICE OF TENTATIVE DECISION  
INTENT TO ISSUE A STATE PERMIT  
FOR THE FOLLOWING DISCHARGE INTO THE WATERS OF THE STATE OF  
CONNECTICUT**

**TENTATIVE DECISION**

The Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection hereby gives notice of a tentative decision to issue a permit based on an application submitted by **Plainville Plating Company, Inc.** ("the applicant") under section 22a-430 of the Connecticut General Statutes for a permit to discharge into the waters of the state.

In accordance with applicable federal and state law, the Commissioner has made a tentative decision that continuance of the existing system to treat the discharge would protect the waters of the state from pollution and the Commissioner proposes to issue a permit for the discharge to the sanitary sewer.

The proposed permit, if issued by the Commissioner, will require that all wastewater be treated to meet the applicable effluent limitations and periodic monitoring to demonstrate that the discharge will not cause pollution.

**APPLICANT'S PROPOSAL**

Plainville Plating Company, Inc. proposes to discharge 78,000 gallons per day of process wastewaters to the Plainville Water Pollution Control Facility from metal finishing operations at a manufacturing facility.

The name and mailing address of the permit applicant are: **Plainville Plating Company, Inc., 21 Forestville Avenue, Plainville, CT 06062.**

The activity will take place at: **21 Forestville Avenue, Plainville, CT 06062.**

**REGULATORY CONDITIONS**

Type of Treatment

DSN 001: pH adjustment, flocculation, clarification, sand filter, filter press, and sludge dewatering.

DSN 001-A: Hexavalent chromium reduction.

### Effluent Limitations

This permit contains effluent limitations consistent with a Case by Case Determination using the criteria of Best Professional Judgement, Pretreatment Standards for New Sources (PSNS), and Section 22a-430-4(s) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, and which will protect the waters of the state from pollution when all the conditions of this permit have been met.

In accordance with section 22a-430-4(l) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies the permit contains effluent limitations for the following types of toxic substances: heavy metals, cyanides, phenols, and volatile, acid, and base neutral organic compounds.

This permit contains effluent limitations on an internal waste stream.

### **COMMISSIONER'S AUTHORITY**

The Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection is authorized to approve or deny such permits pursuant to section 22a-430 of the Connecticut General Statutes and the Water Discharge Permit Regulations (section 22a-430-3 and 4 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies).

### **INFORMATION REQUESTS**

The application has been assigned the following numbers by the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection. Please use these numbers when corresponding with this office regarding this application.

APPLICATION NO. 201205979

PERMIT ID NO. SP0002385

Interested persons may obtain copies of the application from Charles Pratt, Plainville Plating Company, Inc., 21 Forestville Avenue, Plainville, CT 06062, (860) 747-1624.

The application is available for inspection by contacting Mariana Miller, (860) 424-3018, at the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, Bureau of Materials Management and Compliance Assurance, 79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT 06106-5127 from 8:30 - 4:30, Monday through Friday.

Any interested person may request in writing that his or her name be put on a mailing list to receive notice of intent to issue any permit to discharge to the surface waters of the state. Such request may be for the entire state or any geographic area of the state and shall clearly state in writing the name and mailing address of the interested person and the area for which notices are requested.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Prior to making a final decision to approve or deny any application, the Commissioner shall consider written comments on the application from interested persons that are received within 30 days of this public notice. Written comments should be directed to Mariana Miller, Bureau of Materials Management and Compliance Assurance, Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, 79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT 06106-5127. The Commissioner may hold a public hearing prior to approving or denying an application if in the Commissioner's discretion the public interest will be best served thereby, and shall hold a hearing upon receipt of a petition signed by at least twenty-five persons. Notice of any public hearing shall be published at least 30 days prior to the hearing.

Petitions for a hearing should include the application number noted above and also identify a contact person to receive notifications. Petitions may also identify a person who is authorized to engage in discussions regarding the application and, if resolution is reached, withdraw the petition. Original petitions must be *mailed or delivered* to: DEEP Office of Adjudications, 79 Elm Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, Hartford, CT, 06106-5127. Petitions cannot be sent by fax or email. Additional information can be found at [www.ct.gov/deep/adjudications](http://www.ct.gov/deep/adjudications).

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Oswald Inglese, Jr.  
Director  
Water Permitting and Enforcement Division  
Bureau of Materials Management and Compliance Assurance

Dated: 6/25/2013