

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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VIA EMAIL

September 7, 2017

Brian Hoeg Reynolds Construction Services, Inc. 14 Apollo 11 Road, Suite 1 Plymouth, MA 02360 <u>brian@reyconservices.com</u>

Re: Authorization to discharge under the Remediation General Permit (RGP) – Authorization # MAG910738, for the 3190-3204 Washington Street site located in Boston, MA

Dear Mr. Hoeg:

Based on the review of a Notice of Intent (NOI) dated June 6, 2017 submitted by ESS Group, Inc. for the site referenced above, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 1 (EPA) hereby authorizes Reynolds Construction Services, Inc., as the named operator, to discharge in accordance with the provisions of the RGP from this site via the City of Boston storm sewer system¹ to the Charles River. The authorization number is listed above. The effective date of coverage is the date of this authorization letter.

Enclosed with this RGP authorization to discharge is a summary of the applicable parameters and effluent limitations for your activity category III, contaminated site dewatering discharge. A dilution factor of 263.11, approved by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection, was used in calculating effluent limits applicable to the proposed discharge from this site. Please note that this summary does not represent the complete requirements of the RGP. Operators must comply with all of the applicable requirements of the RGP, including influent and effluent monitoring, record keeping, and reporting requirements. For the complete general permit, see EPA's RGP website.²

This EPA general permit and authorization to discharge will expire on **April 8, 2022**, or upon Notice of Termination (NOT), whichever occurs first. However, in accordance with Part 5.3 of the general permit, your permit coverage will be administratively continued until issuance of a new RGP. Please note that you must submit a NOT within thirty (30) days of the termination of the discharge. You have reported your discharges will last twelve (12) months or more. Because your discharge is expected to last twelve (12) months or more, you are subject to discharge monitoring requirements that begin **September 1**,

¹ The operator is responsible for obtaining permission to discharge to these systems, prior to initiating discharges. EPA's authorization to discharge does not convey any such permission.

² https://www.epa.gov/npdes-permits/remediation-general-permit-rgp-massachusetts-new-hampshire.

2018. See Part 4.6 and 5.2 of the RGP, and Appendix IV, Part 3 for more information regarding reporting requirements.

Please ensure that sufficiently sensitive test methods are used for all sample analyses conducted for this permit. To be considered sufficiently sensitive, test methods must achieve minimum levels for analysis for a given parameter that is no greater than the effluent limitation for that parameter, unless otherwise specified in the RGP for that parameter. Where no effluent limitation applies, EPA has provided the ML required with the enclosed summary. Where a compliance level applies, EPA has specified the compliance level and provided the ML required with the enclosed summary.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter. Please contact Shauna Little at (617) 918-1989 or little.shauna@epa.gov, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Thelma Murphy, Chief

Storm Water and Construction Permits Section

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Enclosure

cc: Eric Ekman, 3200 Washington Street, LLC., via email

Craig C. Paradis, ESS Group, Inc., via email

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GENERAL PERMIT FOR REMEDIATION ACTIVITY DISCHARGES

Table 1: Authorization Information

Permit Number	MAG910738
Receiving Water	Charles River
Outfall Number	Outfall 001 to City of Boston CSO023
Monitoring Frequency	See Part 4.1.2 of the RGP
Reporting Requirement	See Part 4.6.1 of the RGP;
	NetDMR requirement begins Sept 1, 2018

Table 2: Chemical-Specific Effluent Limitations and Monitor-Only Requirements¹

Parameter	Effluent Limitation
A. Inorganics	
Ammonia ²	Report mg/L
Chloride ³	Report µg/L
Total Suspended Solids	30 mg/L
Antimony ⁴	206 μg/L
Arsenic ⁴	104 µg/L
Cadmium ⁴	10.2 µg/L
Chromium III ⁴	323 µg/L
Chromium VI ⁴	323 µg/L
Copper ⁴	242 μg/L
Iron ⁴	5,000 μg/L
Lead ⁴	160 μg/L
Mercury ⁴	0.739 μg/L
Nickel ⁴	1,450 µg/L
Selenium ⁴	235.8 μg/L
Silver ⁴	35.1 μg/L
Zinc ⁴	420 μg/L
C. Halogenated Volatile Organic Compounds	
Tetrachloroethylene	5.0 μg/L
D. Non-Halogenated Semi-Volatile Organic Compounds	
Total Phthalates	190 μg/L
Diethylhexyl Phthalate	101 μg/L
Total Group II Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons	100 μg/L
E. Halogenated Semi-Volatile Organic Compounds	
Total Polychlorinated Biphenyls ⁵	0.000064 μg/L

Table 2 Notes:

¹ The following abbreviations are used in Table 2, above:

^a mg/L = milligrams per liter

 $^{^{}b}$ µg/L = micrograms per liter

² The minimum level (ML) for analysis of ammonia must be less than or equal to 0.1 mg/L.

³ The ML for analysis of chloride must be less than or equal to 230 mg/L.

Table 3: Effluent Flow Limitation

Effluent Flow	Effluent Limitation
	0.144 MGD

Table 3 Notes

Table 4: pH Limitations for Discharges in Massachusetts

Receiving Water Class	Effluent Limitation
Freshwater	6.5 to 8.3 SU

Table 4 Notes

⁴ The limitation for this parameter is on the basis of total recoverable metal in the water column.

 $^{^5}$ The compliance level for total PCBs is 0.5 $\mu g/L$. The ML for analysis of total PCBs must be less than or equal to 0.5 $\mu g/L$.

¹ The following abbreviations are used in Table 3, above:

^a MGD = million gallons per day

¹ The following abbreviations are used in Table 4, above:

^a SU = standard units