

CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

April 11, 1996

Mr. Ronald G. Chevalier, Vice President
Public Service of New Hampshire
C/O Northeast Utilities System
P.O. Box 330
Manchester, NH 03105-0330 *C/o Allan G. Palmer*

Re: 14-Day Notification Review
NPDES Application No. NH0001473
(for) Schiller Station, Portsmouth NH

Dear Mr. Chevalier:

In accordance with Section 402 of the Clean Water Act, as amended, and appropriate State statutes, the New England Regional Office of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) along with the State of New Hampshire, intend to issue in the near future, after appropriate public notice, a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit to your facility.

The enclosed preliminary Draft Permit, developed by this office in conjunction with the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services, Water Supply and Pollution Control Division (NHDES WS&PCD), contains effluent limitations and conditions to assure that the discharge receives adequate treatment and will not cause or contribute to violations of State Water Quality standards. Also, enclosed is the Fact Sheet which documents the rationale used to develop this preliminary Draft Permit.

The purpose of this letter is to ask you to review the factual materials presented in the enclosed Fact Sheet as that information is the basis for permit development. The objective of this review is to minimize factual errors in the Fact Sheet and, thus, minimize improperly derived conditions in the draft permit at public notice. Therefore, please review the: (1) description of your facility including treatment system, type and quantity of waste(s) discharged, analytical data and other factual information presented in the Fact Sheet; and (2) limitations, monitoring requirements and conditions in the Draft Permit derived as a direct result of factual information presented in the Fact Sheet. Also, please note any typographical errors and missing materials. A copy of both documents is also being forwarded to NHDES WS&PCD for a similar review process.

If you believe the Fact Sheet and/or the preliminary Draft Permit do not accurately describe your facility and all its discharge(s), you should notify each office, in writing, of the misunderstandings no later than **14 DAYS from receipt of this letter**. Additional time may be granted for special circumstances should that be required.

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Because your comments are be related to factual errors, EPA will not prepare any written responses other than to correct the misunderstandings, where appropriate, in the Fact Sheet and Draft Permit at public notice. Permit limits may change to reflect new information provided.

If we do not receive any comments from you, within this prescribed 14-Day review period or appropriate extension thereof, EPA and NHDES WS&PCD will proceed to publish a Public Notice of intended issuance of a final draft permit in a local newspaper. Federal and State statutes require public notice be given of the preparation of the final draft permit to allow opportunity for public comments including yours and, if necessary, a public hearing. Copies of pertinent public notice documents will be distribution through an extensive mailing system. Whether or not the public noticed Draft Permit is identical to this enclosed 14-Day document depends on the nature of comments received from you, the State, or errors uncovered by EPA.

Concurrent with initiation of the Public Notice process, you will receive another package from EPA containing the final Fact Sheet and Draft Permit and other documents. This package will also contain an explanation of your legal rights during the public comment period.

Please note that during the prescribed minimum 30-day Public Comment Period you will have an opportunity to submit to EPA and NHDES WS&PCD written comments on the final Fact Sheet and Draft Permit concerning all technical issues such as effluent limitations and conditions, testing procedures, methodologies as well as all legal, administrative and policy aspects. The public comment period is the appropriate time to raise substantive concerns relative to these issues including concerns related to interpretations of analytical information presented in the Fact Sheet used to set limits and conditions in the final draft permit. EPA is required by the Code of Federal Regulations to respond in writing to all written comments received during the public comment period.

If you have any question on this letter or would like to discuss any of the conditions contained in the accompanied preliminary Fact Sheet and Draft Permit, do not hesitate to contact either Mr. Nicholas Prodany at 617/565-3513, or myself at 671/565-3129.

Sincerely,

Frederick B. Gay,
Environmental Engineer
New Hampshire NPDES Permit Coordinator

Enclosure

cc: New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services
Water Supply and Pollution Control Division

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