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RE: Discharge Monitoring Report Forms, January - December 2003

Dear Permittee:

Enclosed are your Discharge Monitoring Reports (DMRs) for calendar year 2003. These forms reflect the monitoring and reporting requirements that are currently contained in the Permit Compliance System (PCS) for your respective facility. PCS is EPA's national computerized management information system that tracks permit compliance and enforcement data submitted as part of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) program.

Please carefully review these forms to ensure that they reflect your current NPDES permit requirements paying particular attention to seasonal and production-based requirements and monitoring that might be required less frequently than monthly. Errors or omissions on the pre-printed DMR forms do not constitute a release from any reporting or monitoring requirements contained in your NPDES permit or applicable State or federal enforcement actions. After reviewing the entire package of DMR's for completeness, be sure to read the instructions so you may be certain that you understand your reporting obligations. The Instructions can be found at: <http://www.epa.gov/region01/compliance/enfdmr.html> Enclosed, as an attachment to this letter, is a listing of the minor changes to the DMR Instructions for 2003. These instructions have been developed to assist you in completing the DMR forms. If you notice any discrepancies on your DMRs, please contact *Norma Mason* of my staff at **617.918.1879**. Discrepancies reported either by telephone, letter, or E-mail, will be reviewed and if necessary, corrections will be made to the PCS data system and a new set of pre-printed DMRs will be mailed to you.

After the DMRs have been properly completed, they must be signed by a principal executive officer or authorized agent subject to the certifications contained in 40 CFR §122.22. The original, signed, and dated DMR(s) including a detailed explanation of any violations that occurred during the reporting period shall then be mailed to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA) at the following address:

Water Technical Unit (SEW)
 U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
 P.O. Box 8127
 Boston, MA 02114

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Submissions to any other US EPA office, or state agency, shall not be construed to be a fulfillment of the reporting requirements of your NPDES permit. However, copies of the DMRs should also be mailed to your respective state agency. *Please note that the use of electronic DMR submission(s) is not valid for calendar year 2003.* In addition, any report or other document required by your NPDES permit or any enforcement action should be submitted to the above P.O. Box address under separate cover. Your NPDES number must be included on all documents submitted to the US EPA including any cover letter. If a new authorized agent will be signing your DMRs, please submit a separate written change of authorization in accordance with 40 CFR §122.22(c) to ensure that the appropriate authorization is in our files. All certifications must be in accordance with 40 CFR §122.22(d).

Failure to comply with any of the above requirements may result in an enforcement action by the US EPA pursuant to Section 309 of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1319; which provides for administrative, civil, and criminal penalties. In addition, any person(s) who knowingly submits false information may be subject to criminal prosecution under 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

The following paragraphs have been excerpted from the DMR Instructions for 2003 to highlight the several problems that have been found to commonly occur:

Do not leave blank spaces on the DMR unless measurement information is not available for a specific pipe/parameter. If any blanks appear on your DMR, an explanation must be attached to the DMR in a letter or written in the comment field at the bottom of the DMR. EPA's automated violation tracking system will subsequently detect these blanks as non-reporting violations for which you may be subject to enforcement actions.

For those months when no sampling occurs for a specific outfall pipe, write "No DATA" and the NODI code across the DMR, or place the appropriate code in the box in the upper right corner of the DMR. If there is a NODI for a specific parameter, then write NODI and the appropriate code next to or on that line, and circle it. Do not fill in the rest of that row. A copy of the available codes to represent "No Data" is provided in ATTACHMENT E.

Should you have any questions regarding this letter or your pre-printed DMRs, please contact Norma Mason of my staff at the number mentioned above.

Sincerely,

Karen McGuire, Acting Chief
Water Technical Unit (SEW)
Office of Environmental Stewardship (OES)

Enclosures: DMR Pre-prints, 1/03-12/03
DMR Revisions/Corrections for 2003 [Revised 12-02]