STATE OF MISSOURI

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

MISSOURI CLEAN WATER COMMISSION



MISSOURI STATE OPERATING PERMIT

In compliance with the Missouri Clean Water Law, (Chapter 644 R.S. Mo. as amended, hereinafter, the Law), and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (Public Law 92-500, 92nd Congress) as amended,

Permit No.:	MO-0026514
Owner:	City of Ironton
Owner's Address:	125 North Main, Ironton, MO 63650
Continuing Authority:	Same as above
Address:	Same as above
Facility Name:	Ironton Wastewater Treatment Facilities
Facility Address:	Ironton, MO 63650
Legal Description:	SW 1/4, SE 1/4, Sec. 32, T34N, R4E, Iron County
Latitude/Longitude:	+3735582/-09036583
Receiving Stream & Basin:	Stouts Creek (P)
First Classified Stream and ID:	Stouts Creek 2 (P)(02893)
USGS Basin & Sub-watershed No.:	(08020202-010004)
is authorized to discharge from the facili	ty described herein in accordance with the offluent limitations and more

is authorized to discharge from the facility described herein, in accordance with the effluent limitations and monitoring requirements as set forth herein:

FACILITY DESCRIPTION

<u>Outfall #001</u> - POTW - SIC #4952 Three cell lagoon (one aerated cell & two holding cells)/partial irrigation/sludge is retained in lagoon. Design population equivalent is 3,500. Design flow is 0.4 MGD dry weather (0.76 MGD wet weather flows). Actual flow is 0.35 MGD dry weather (0.71 MGD wet weather flows). Design sludge production is 70 dry tons/year. This permit authorizes only wastewater discharges under the Missouri Clean Water Law and the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System; it does not apply to other regulated areas. This permit may be appealed in accordance with Section 644.051.6 of the Law.

February 9, 2007 Effective Date

Doyle Childers, Director, Department of Natural Resources Executive Secretary, Clean Water Commission

<u>February 8, 2012</u> Expiration Date MO 780-0041 (10-93)

Gary L. Gaines, P.E., Director, Southeast Regional Office

FACILITY DESCRIPTION (continued)

Irrigation System Design:

Outfall #001

The facility type is a Partial Irrigation System for irrigation during March through November when irrigation is feasible.

Maximum level of one (1) foot below overflow elevation; and

Minimum level to two (2) feet above the lagoon bottom.

Operating storage capacity between minimum and maximum operating levels (cells 2 & 3) is 18,000,000 gallons and 45 days storage for dry weather flows.

Application rate is based on irrigation of secondary treated wastewater using a hydraulic loading rate.

Irrigation design flow is 186.5 million gallons/year.

Application rates are: 0.3 inches/hour; 1.0 inch/day; 3.0 inches/week; 150 inches/year (Site 1) & 24 inches/year (Site 2).

Irrigation site(s) have field slopes less than 6 percent.

Vegetation grown on the irrigation site is grass land.

Irrigation equipment type is sprinklers.

Outfall #002– Irrigation site #1 is the primary irrigation site of 45.8 acres located east of the lagoon.Legal Description:SW ¼, SE ¼, Sec. 33, T34N, R4E, Iron CountyLatitude/Longitude:+3736004/-09036289

Outfall #003– Irrigation site #2 is at the Arcadia Valley Golf Course and is about 50 acres.Legal Description:NW ¼, Sec. 4, T33N, R4E, Iron CountyLatitude/Longitude:+3735400/-09036480

<u>Outfall #004</u> – Six groundwater monitoring wells

(#MW1 - #MW6) located at Irrigation Site #1. Legal Description: SW ¼, SE ¼, Sec. 33, T34N, R4E, Iron County Latitude/Longitude: +3736004/-09036289

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A. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MON	ITORING RE	QUIREME	NTS		PERMIT NUMBER	MO-0026514
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		FINAL EF	FLUENT LIM	ITATIONS	MONITORING R	EQUIREMENT
OUTFALL NUMBER AND EFFLUENT PARAMETER(S)	UNITS	DAILY MAXIMUM	WEEKLY AVERAGE	MONTHLY AVERAGE	MEASUREMENT FREQUENCY	SAMPLE TYPE
<u>Dutfall #001</u> – Discharge from Lagoon (Note	1)					
Flow	MGD	*		*	once/day	24 hr. estimate
Biochemical Oxygen Demands***	mg/L		45	30	once/week	grab
Fotal Suspended Solids***	mg/L		110	70	once/week	grab
Fecal Coliform (Note 2)*****	#/100 mL	1000		400	once/week	grab
Dil and Grease	mg/L	15		10	once/week	grab
bH – Units	SU	****		****	once/week	grab
Ammonia Nitrogen as N (November 1 – April 30) (May 1 - October 31)	mg/L	10.6 5.0		5.3 2.5	once/week	grab
Temperature MONITORING REPORTS SHALL BE SUBMI	°C	* HI Y· THE FI	RST REPOR	* TISDUE M	once/week	grab
<u>Outfall #002</u> – Primary Land Application Site						
Lagoon Freeboard (Note 3)	feet	*			once/month	measured
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rrigation Period	hours	*			daily	total
Volume Irrigated	gallons	*			daily	total
Application Area	acres	*			daily	total
Application Rate	inches/ acre	*			daily	total
Rainfall	inches	*			daily	total
oH - Units	SU	****			once/quarter**	grab
Fotal Kjeldahl Nitrogen as N	mg/L	*			once/quarter**	grab
Γotal Nitrate Nitrogen as N	mg/L	*			once/quarter**	grab
Ammonia Nitrogen as N	mg/L	*			once/quarter**	grab
MONITORING REPORTS SHALL BE SUBMI	TTED QUAR	FERLY; THE	FIRST REPO	ORT IS DUE	April 28, 2007.	
Whole Effluent Toxicity (WET) Test	% Survival	(See Special Condition #8)			Once/permit cycle	grab

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		FINAL EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS			MONITORING REQUIREMENT	
OUTFALL NUMBER AND EFFLUENT PARAMETER(S)	UNITS	DAILY MAXIMUM	WEEKLY AVERAGE	MONTHLY AVERAGE	MEASUREMENT FREQUENCY	SAMPLE TYPE
Outfall #003 – Land Application Site 2 (~50	Acre Arcadia	Valley Golf	Course) (Note	es 4&5)		
Lagoon Freeboard (Note 3)	feet	*			once/month	measured
Irrigation Period	hours	*			daily	total
Volume Irrigated	gallons	*			daily	total
Application Area	acres	*			daily	total
Application Rate	inches/ acre	*			daily	total
Rainfall	inches	*			daily	total
pH - Units	SU	****			once/quarter**	grab
Fecal Coliform(Note 2)	#/100 mL	200			once/quarter**	grab
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen as N	mg/L	*			once/quarter**	grab
Total Nitrate Nitrogen as N	mg/L	*			once/quarter**	grab
Ammonia Nitrogen as N	mg/L	*			once/quarter**	grab
MONITORING REPORTS SHALL BE SUBM			E FIRST REP	ORT IS DUE	<u>April 28, 2007</u> .	
<u>Dutfall #004</u> – Ground Water Monitoring W	ells (#MW1 - #	#MW6)				
Гotal Nitrate Nitrogen as N MONITORING REPORTS SHALL BE SUBM	mg/L ITTED <u>QUAR</u>	* T <u>ERLY;</u> The	E FIRST REP	ORT IS DUE	once/month April 28, 2007	grab
B. STANDARD CONDITIONS						
IN ADDITION TO SPECIFIED CONDITIONS STANDARD CONDITIONS DATED October SET FORTH HEREIN.						

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A. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS (continued)

* Monitor and report.

Sample discharge at least once for the months of:	Report is due:
January, February, March (1 st Quarter)	April 28
April, May, June (2 nd Quarter)	July 28
July, August, September (3 rd Quarter)	October 28
October, November, December (4 th Quarter)	January 28

*** This facility is required to meet a removal efficiency of 65% or more.

**** pH is measured in pH units and is not to be averaged. The pH is to be maintained at or above 6.0 pH units.

***** Final limitations and monitoring requirements for Fecal Coliform are applicable only during the recreational season from April 1 through October 31.

A. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS (continued)

Note 1 – Discharge should only occur from November 1 to March 31, when the receiving stream flow is greater than 20 CFS and effluent flow does not exceed 1.2 CFS. The discharge will be hydrograph controlled by manual valve based on stream measurement gauge. Wastewater shall be irrigated whenever feasible. Monitor only when discharge occurs. Report as no-discharge when a discharge does not occur during the report period.

Note 2 - Colonies/100 mL, and the Monthly Average Limit for Fecal Coliform is a geometric mean.

Note 3 – Lagoon freeboard shall be reported as lagoon water level in feet below the overflow level. See Special Conditions for Wastewater Irrigation System requirements.

Note 4 – Wastewater that is irrigated shall be sampled at the irrigation pump or wet well.

Note 5 - Records shall be maintained and summarized into an annual operating report which shall be submitted by January 28th of each year for the previous calendar year period. The report shall include the following:

- (a) record of maintenance and repairs performed during the year, average number of times per month the facility is checked to see if it is operating properly, and description of any unusual operating conditions encountered during the year;
- (b) the number of days the lagoon has discharged during the year, the discharge flow, the reasons discharge occurred and effluent analysis performed; and
- (c) a summary of the irrigation operations including freeboard at the start and end of the irrigation season, the number of days of irrigation for each month, the total gallons irrigated, the total acres used, the application rate in inches/acre per day and for the year and the total precipitation received at the facility.

C. SPECIAL CONDITIONS

- 1. This permit may be reopened and modified, or alternatively revoked and reissued, to:
 - (a) Comply with any applicable effluent standard or limitation issued or approved under Sections 301(b)(2)(C) and (D), 304(b)(2), and 307(a) (2) of the Clean Water Act, if the effluent standard or limitation so issued or approved:
 - (1) contains different conditions or is otherwise more stringent than any effluent limitation in the permit; or
 - (2) controls any pollutant not limited in the permit.
 - (b) Incorporate new or modified effluent limitations or other conditions, if the result of a waste load allocation study, toxicity test or other information indicates changes are necessary to assure compliance with Missouri's Water Quality Standards.
 - (c) Incorporate new or modified effluent limitations or other conditions if, as the result of a watershed analysis, a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) limitation is developed for the receiving waters which are currently included in Missouri's list of waters of the state not fully achieving the state's water quality standards, also called the 303(d) list.

The permit as modified or reissued under this paragraph shall also contain any other requirements of the Clean Water Act then applicable.

- 2. All outfalls must be clearly marked in the field.
- 3. Changes in Discharges of Toxic Substances

The permittee shall notify the Director as soon as it knows or has reason to believe:

- (a) That any activity has occurred or will occur which would result in the discharge of any toxic pollutant which is not limited in the permit, if that discharge will exceed the highest of the following "notification levels:"
 - (1) One hundred micrograms per liter (100 μ g/L);
 - (2) Two hundred micrograms per liter (200 μg/L) for acrolein and acrylonitrile; five hundred micrograms per liter (500 μg/L) for 2,5 dinitrophenol and for 2-methyl-4, 6-dinitrophenol; and one milligram per liter (1 mg/L) for antimony;
 - (3) Five (5) times the maximum concentration value reported for the pollutant in the permit application;
 - (4) The level established in Part A of the permit by the Director.
- (b) That they have begun or expect to begin to use or manufacture as an intermediate or final product or byproduct any toxic pollutant, which was not reported in the permit application.
- 4. Report as no-discharge when a discharge does not occur during the report period.

- 5. General Criteria. The following water quality criteria shall be applicable to all waters of the state at all times including mixing zones. No water contaminant, by itself or in combination with other substances, shall prevent the waters of the state from meeting the following conditions:
 - (a) Waters shall be free from substances in sufficient amounts to cause the formation of putrescent, unsightly or harmful bottom deposits or prevent full maintenance of beneficial uses;
 - (b) Waters shall be free from oil, scum and floating debris in sufficient amounts to be unsightly or prevent full maintenance of beneficial uses;
 - (c) Waters shall be free from substances in sufficient amounts to cause unsightly color or turbidity, offensive odor or prevent full maintenance of beneficial uses;
 - (d) Waters shall be free from substances or conditions in sufficient amounts to result in toxicity to human, animal or aquatic life;
 - (e) There shall be no significant human health hazard from incidental contact with the water;
 - (f) There shall be no acute toxicity to livestock or wildlife watering;
 - (g) Waters shall be free from physical, chemical or hydrologic changes that would impair the natural biological community;
 - (h) Waters shall be free from used tires, car bodies, appliances, demolition debris, used vehicles or equipment and solid waste as defined in Missouri's Solid Waste Law, section 260.200, RSMo, except as the use of such materials is specifically permitted pursuant to section 260.200-260.247.
- 6. Sludge and Biosolids Use For Domestic Wastewater Treatment Facilities
 - (a) Permittee shall comply with the pollutant limitations, monitoring, reporting, and other requirements in accordance with the attached permit Standard Conditions.
 - (b) If sludge is not removed by a contract hauler, permittee is authorized to land apply biosolids that are removed from the domestic wastewater treatment lagoon during lagoon clean-out and maintenance activities. Permit Standard Conditions, Part III shall apply to the land application of biosolids. Permittee shall notify the department at least 180 days prior to the planned removal of biosolids from the lagoon. The department may require submittal of a biosolids management plan for department review and approval as determined appropriate on a case-by-case basis.
- 7. Wastewater Irrigation System
 - a. <u>Irrigation Design</u>. Design and operation shall be in accordance with 10 CSR 20-8.020(15). Permittee shall operate the land application system in accordance with the design parameters listed in the Facility Description section of this permit.
 - b. <u>Emergency Spillway.</u> Lagoons and earthen storage basins should have an emergency spillway to protect the structural integrity of earthen structures during operation at near full water levels and in the event of overflow conditions. The spillway shall be at least one foot below top of berm. The department may waive the requirement for overflow structures on small existing basins.
 - c. <u>General Irrigation Requirements.</u> The wastewater irrigation system shall be operated so as to provide uniform distribution of irrigated wastewater over the entire irrigation site. A complete ground cover of vegetation shall be maintained on the irrigation site unless the system is approved for row crop irrigation. Wastewater shall be land applied only during daylight hours. The wastewater irrigation system shall be capable of irrigating the annual design flow during an application period of less than 100 days or 800 hours per year.
 - d. <u>Saturated/Frozen Conditions.</u> There shall be no irrigation during frozen, snow covered, or saturated soil conditions. There shall be no irrigation on days when more than 0.2 inch of precipitation is received or when there is observation by operator of an imminent or impending rainfall event.
 - e. <u>Buffer Zones.</u> There shall be no irrigation within 300 feet of any down gradient pond, lake, sinkhole, losing stream or water supply withdrawal; 100 feet of gaining streams or tributaries; 150 feet of dwelling; or 50 feet of the property line.
 - f. <u>Public Access Restrictions.</u> Public access shall not be allowed to the irrigation site(s). Fencing and public access restrictions to land application sites shall be in accordance with requirements in 10 CSR 20-8.020(15)(B)(5).
 - g. <u>Equipment Checks during Irrigation</u>. The irrigation system and application site shall be visually inspected at least once/2 hours during wastewater irrigation to check for equipment malfunctions and runoff from the irrigation site.

8. Whole Effluent Toxicity (WET) tests shall be conducted as follows:

SUMMARY OF WET TESTING FOR THIS PERMIT					
OUTFALL	A.E.C. %	FREQUENCY	SAMPLE TYPE	MONTH	
001	100	Once/Permit	Grab	November	

(a) Test Schedule and Follow-Up Requirements

- (1) Perform a SINGLE-dilution test in the months and at the frequency specified above. For tests which are successfully passed, submit test results USING THE DEPARTMENT'S WET TEST REPORT FORM #MO-780-1899 along with complete copies of the test reports as received from the laboratory, including copies of chain-of-custody forms within 30 calendar days of availability to the WATER PROTECTION PROGRAM, P.O. Box 176, Jefferson City, MO 65102. If the effluent passes the test, do not repeat the test until the next test period.
 - (a) For discharges of stormwater, samples shall be collected within three hours from when discharge first occurs.
 - (b) Samples submitted for analysis of stormwater discharges shall be collected as a grab.
 - (c) For discharges of non-stormwater, samples shall be collected only when precipitation has not occurred for a period of forty-eight hours prior to sample collection. In no event shall sample collection occur simultaneously with the occurrence of precipitation excepting for stormwater samples.
 - (d) A twenty-four hour composite sample shall be submitted for analysis of non-stormwater discharges.
 - (e) Upstream receiving water samples, where required, shall be collected upstream from any influence of the effluent where downstream flow is clearly evident.
 - (f) Samples submitted for analysis of upstream receiving water may be collected as either a grab or twentyfour-hour composite as appropriate to the nature of the discharge.
 - (g) Chemical and physical analysis of the upstream control and effluent sample shall occur immediately upon being received by the laboratory, prior to any manipulation of the effluent sample beyond preservation methods consistent with federal guidelines for WET testing that are required to stabilize the sample during shipping.
 - (h) Any and all chemical or physical analysis of the effluent sample performed in conjunction with the WET test shall be performed at the 100% Effluent concentration in addition to analyses performed upon any other effluent concentration.
 - (i) All chemical analyses included in the Missouri Department of Natural Resources WET test report form #MO-780-1899 shall be performed and results shall be recorded in the appropriate field of the report form.
 - (j) Where flow-weighted composite sample is required for analysis, the samples shall be composited at the laboratory where the test is to be performed.
 - (k) Where in stream testing is required downstream from the discharge, sample collection shall occur immediately below the established Zone of Initial Dilution in conjunction with or immediately following a release or discharge.
 - (1) Samples submitted for analysis of downstream receiving water may be collected as either a grab or twentyfour-hour composite as appropriate to the nature of the discharge.
 - (m) All instream samples, including downstream samples, shall be tested for toxicity at the 100% concentration in addition to any other assigned AEC for in-stream samples.
- (2) All failing test results along with complete copies of the test reports as received from the laboratory, INCLUDING THOSE TESTS CONDUCTED UNDER CONDITION (3) BELOW, shall be reported to the WATER PROTECTION PROGRAM, P.O. Box 176, Jefferson City, MO 65102 within 14 calendar days of the availability of the results.
- (3) If the effluent fails the test, a multiple dilution test shall be performed within 30 calendar days and biweekly thereafter, until one of the following conditions are met:
 - (a) THREE CONSECUTIVE MULTIPLE-DILUTION TESTS PASS. No further tests need to be performed until next regularly scheduled test period.
 - (b) A TOTAL OF THREE MULTIPLE-DILUTION TESTS FAIL.
- (4) Failure of at least two multiple-dilution tests during any period of accelerated monitoring violates the permit narrative requirement for aquatic life protection.

- (5) The permittee shall submit a concise summary of all test results for the test series to the WATER PROTECTION PROGRAM, P.O. Box 176, Jefferson City, MO 65102 within 14 calendar days of the third failed test.
- (6) Additionally, the following shall apply upon failure of the third MULTIPLE DILUTION test: A toxicity identification evaluation (TIE) or toxicity reduction evaluation (TRE) is automatically triggered. The permittee shall contact THE WATER PROTECTION PROGRAM within 14 calendar days from availability of the test results to ascertain as to whether a TIE or TRE is appropriate. The permittee shall submit a plan for conducting a TIE or TRE to the WATER PROTECTION PROGRAM within 60 calendar days of the date of DNR's direction to perform either a TIE or TRE. This plan must be approved by DNR before the TIE or TRE is begun. A schedule for completing the TIE or TRE shall be established in the plan approval.
- (7) Upon DNR's approval, the TIE/TRE schedule may be modified if toxicity is intermittent during the TIE/TRE investigations. A revised WET test schedule may be established by DNR for this period.
- (8) If a previously completed TIE has clearly identified the cause of toxicity, additional TIEs will not be required as long as effluent characteristics remain essentially unchanged and the permittee is proceeding according to a DNR approved schedule to complete a TRE and reduce toxicity. Regularly scheduled WET testing as required in the permit, without the follow-up requirements, will be required during this period.
- (9) When WET test sampling is required to run over one DMR period, each DMR report shall contain a copy of the Department's WET test report form that was generated during the reporting period.
- (10) Submit a concise summary in tabular format of all test results with the annual report.
- (b) PASS/FAIL procedure and effluent limitations:
 - (1) To pass a single-dilution test, mortality observed in the AEC test concentration shall not be significantly different (at the 95% confidence level; p = 0.05) than that observed in the upstream receiving-water control sample. Where upstream receiving water is not available mortality observed in the AEC test concentration shall not be significantly different (at the 95% confidence level; p = 0.05) than that observed in the laboratory control. The appropriate statistical tests of significance shall be consistent with the most current edition of <u>METHODS FOR</u> <u>MEASURING THE ACUTE TOXICITY OF EFFLUENTS AND RECEIVING WATERS TO FRESHWATER</u> <u>AND MARINE ORGANISMS</u> or other Federal guidelines as appropriate or required.
 - (2) To pass a multiple-dilution test:
 - (a) For facilities with a computed percent effluent at the edge of the zone of initial dilution, Allowable Effluent Concentration (AEC), OF 30% OR LESS THE AEC must be less than three-tenths (0.3) of the LC_{50} concentration for the most sensitive of the test organisms; **OR**,
 - (b) For facilities with an AEC greater than 30% the LC50 concentration must be greater than 100%; AND,
 - (c) all effluent concentrations equal to or less than the AEC must be nontoxic. Mortality observed in all effluent concentrations equal to or less than the AEC shall not be significantly different (at the 95% confidence level; p = 0.05) than that observed in the upstream receiving-water control sample. Where upstream receiving water is not available mortality observed in the AEC test concentration shall not be significantly different (at the 95% confidence level; p = 0.05) than that observed in the AEC test concentration shall not be significantly different (at the 95% confidence level; p = 0.05) than that observed in the laboratory control. The appropriate statistical tests of significance shall be consistent with the most current edition of <u>METHODS FOR MEASURING THE ACUTE TOXICITY OF EFFLUENTS AND RECEIVING</u> WATERS TO FRESHWATER AND MARINE ORGANISMS or other federal guidelines as appropriate or required. Failure of one multiple-dilution test may be considered an effluent limit violation.

(c) Test Conditions

- (1) Test Type: Acute Static non-renewal
- (2) Test species: Ceriodaphnia dubia and Pimephales promelas (fathead minnow). Organisms used in WET testing shall come from cultures reared for the purpose of conducting toxicity tests and cultured in a manner consistent with the most current USEPA guidelines. All test animals shall be cultured as described in the most current edition of <u>METHODS FOR MEASURING THE ACUTE TOXICITY OF EFFLUENTS AND RECEIVING</u> WATERS TO FRESHWATER AND MARINE ORGANISMS.
- (3) Test period: 48 hours at the "Acceptable Effluent Concentration" (AEC) specified above.
- (4) When dilutions are required, upstream receiving stream water shall be used as dilution water. If upstream water is unavailable or if mortality in the upstream water exceeds 10%, "reconstituted" water will be used as dilution water. Procedures for generating reconstituted water will be supplied by the MDNR upon request.
- (5) Single-dilution tests will be run with:
 - (a) Effluent at the AEC concentration;
 - (b) 100% receiving-stream water (if available), collected upstream of the outfall at a point beyond any influence of the effluent; and

- (c) reconstituted water.
- (6) Multiple-dilution tests will be run with:
 - (a) 100%, 50%, 25%, 12.5%, and 6.25% effluent, unless the AEC is less than 25% effluent, in which case dilutions will be 4 times the AEC, two times the AEC, AEC, 1/2 AEC and 1/4 AEC;
 - (b) 100% receiving-stream water (if available), collected upstream of the outfall at a point beyond any influence of the effluent; and
 - (c) reconstituted water.
- (7) If reconstituted-water control mortality for a test species exceeds 10%, the entire test will be rerun.
- (8) If upstream control mortality exceeds 10%, the entire test will be rerun using reconstituted water as the dilutant.

SUMMARY OF TEST METHODOLOGY FOR WHOLE-EFFLUENT TOXICITY TESTS

Whole-effluent-toxicity test required in NPDES permits shall use the following test conditions when performing single or multiple dilution methods. Any future changes in methodology will be supplied to the permittee by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (MDNR). Unless more stringent methods are specified by the DNR, the procedures shall be consistent with the most current edition of <u>Methods for Measuring the Acute Toxicity of Effluents and Receiving Waters to Freshwater and Marine Organisms</u>,

Test conditions for Ceriodaphnia dubia:

Test duration:	48 h
Temperature:	$25 \pm 1^{\circ}$ C Temperatures shall not deviate by more
	than 3°C during the test.
Light Quality:	Ambient laboratory illumination
Photoperiod:	16 h light, 8 h dark
Size of test vessel:	30 mL (minimum)
Volume of test solution:	15 mL (minimum)
Age of test organisms:	<24 h old
No. of animals/test vessel:	5
No. of replicates/concentration:	4
No. of organisms/concentration:	20 (minimum)
Feeding regime:	None (feed prior to test)
Aeration:	None
Dilution water:	Upstream receiving water; if no upstream flow,
	synthetic water modified to reflect effluent
	hardness.
Endpoint:	Pass/Fail (Statistically significant Mortality when
F	compared to upstream receiving water control or
	synthetic control if upstream water was not
	available at $p < 0.05$)
Test acceptability criterion:	90% or greater survival in controls
	yor of greater survival in controls
Test conditions for (Pimephales promelas):	
Test duration:	48 h
Temperature:	$25 \pm 1^{\circ}$ C Temperatures shall not deviate by more
	than 3°C during the test.
Light Quality:	Ambient laboratory illumination
Photoperiod:	16 h light/ 8 h dark
Size of test vessel: 250 mL (minimum)	
Volume of test solution:	200 mL (minimum)
Age of test organisms:	1-14 days (all same age)
No. of animals/test vessel:	10
No. of replicates/concentration:	4 (minimum) single dilution method
	2 (minimum) multiple dilution method
No. of organisms/concentration:	40 (minimum) single dilution method
	20 (minimum) multiple dilution method
Feeding regime:	None (feed prior to test)
Aeration:	None, unless DO concentration falls below 4.0
	mg/L; rate should not exceed 100 bubbles/min.
Dilution water: Upstream receiving water; if no upstream	
	hardness.
Endpoint:	Pass/Fail (Statistically significant Mortality when
L.	compared to upstream receiving water control or
	synthetic control if upstream water was not
	available at $p \le 0.05$)
Test Acceptability criterion:	90% or greater survival in controls
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