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# OREGON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMMISSION MEETING MATERIALS 07/25/2002



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#### SCHEDULE B

- Minimum Monitoring and Reporting Requirements.
   (unless otherwise approved in writing by the Department)
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Item or Parameter	Minimum Frequency	Type of Sample
* Total Flow (MGD)  * Flow Meter Calibration BOD-S TSS pH	Daily 2/Year 2/Week 2/Week 3/Week	Continuous Verification Composite Composite Grab

b. Outfall Number 001 (Sewage Treatment Plant Outfall)

	Item or Parameter	Minimum Frequency	Type of Sample
* *	Total Flow (MGD) Flow Meter Calibration BOD-5 TSS pH Fecal Coliform Quantity Chlorine Used Chlorine Residual Average Percent Removed (BOD and TSS)	Daily 2/Year 2/Week 2/Week 3/Week 1/Week Daily Daily Monchly	Continuous Verification Composite Composite Grab Grab Weight Grab Calculation

<sup>\*</sup>Required only at one site, whichever is more appropriate.

d. Reporting required. Unless otherwise specified in writing by the Department, all overflows and uncontrolled overflows must be reported orally to the Department within 24 hours from the time the permittee becomes aware of the overflow. Reporting procedures are described in more detail in Condition D.5.

#### 7. Public Notification of Effluent Violation or Overflow

If effluent limitations specified in this permit are exceeded or an overflow occurs, upon request by the Department, the permittee shall take such steps as are necessary to alert the public about the extent and nature of the discharge. Such steps may include, but are not limited to, posting of the river at access points and other places, news releases, and paid announcements on radio and television.

#### 8. Removed Substances

Solids, sludges, filter backwash, or other pollutants removed in the course of treatment or control of wastewaters shall be disposed of in such a manner as to prevent any pollutant from such materials from entering public waters, causing nuisance conditions, or creating a public health hazard.

#### SECTION C. MONITORING AND RECORDS

#### 1. Representative Sampling

Sampling and measurements taken as required herein shall be representative of the volume and nature of the monitored discharge. All samples shall be taken at the monitoring points specified in this permit and shall be taken, unless otherwise specified, before the effluent joins or is diluted by any other waste stream, body of water, or substance. Monitoring points shall not be changed without notification to and the approval of the Director.

#### Flow Measurements

Appropriate flow measurement devices and methods consistent with accepted scientific practices shall be selected and used to insure the accuracy and reliability of measurements of the volume of monitored discharges. The devices shall be installed, calibrated and maintained to insure that the accuracy of the measurements is consistent with the accepted capability of that type of device. Devices selected shall be capable of measuring flows with a maximum deviation of less than ± 10 percent from true discharge rates throughout the range of expected discharge volumes.

#### 3. Monitoring Procedures

Monitoring must be conducted according to test procedures approved under 40 CFR Part 136, unless other test procedures have been specified in this permit.

#### 4. Penalties of Tampering

The Clean Water Act provides that any person who falsifies, tampers with, or knowingly renders inaccurate, any monitoring device or method required to be maintained under this permit shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than \$10,000 per violation, or by imprisonment for not more than two years, or by both. If a conviction of a person is for a violation committed after a first conviction of such person, punishment is a fine not more than \$20,000 per day of violation, or by imprisonment of not more than four years or both.

#### 5. Reporting of Monitoring Results

Monitoring results shall be summarized each month on a Discharge Monitoring Report form approved by the Department. The reports shall be submitted monthly and are to be mailed, delivered or otherwise transmitted by the 15th day of the following month unless specifically approved otherwise in Schedule B of this permit.

#### 6. Additional Monitoring by the Permittee

If the permittee monitors any pollutant more frequently than required by this permit, using test procedures approved under 40 CFR 136 or as specified in this permit, the results of this monitoring shall be included in the calculation and reporting of the data submitted in the DMR. Such increased frequency shall also be indicated. For a pollutant parameter that may be sampled more than once per day (e.g., Total Chlorine Residual), only the average daily value shall be recorded unless otherwise specified in this permit.

#### 7. Averaging of Measurements

Calculations for all limitations which require averaging of measurements shall utilize an arithmetic mean, except for bacteria which shall be averaged based on a geometric or log mean.

#### 8. Retention of Records

The permittee shall retain records of all monitoring information, including all calibration and maintenance records of all original strip chart recordings for continuous monitoring instrumentation, copies of all reports required by this permit, and records of all data used to complete the application for this permit, for a period of at least 3 years from the date of the sample, measurement, report or application. This period may be extended by request of the Director at any time.

#### 9. Records Contents

Records of monitoring information shall include: ...

#### 340-012-0028

#### Scope of Applicability

Amendments to OAR 340-012-0028 to 340-012-0090 shall only apply to formal enforcement actions issued by the Department on or after the effective date of such amendments and not to any contested cases pending or formal enforcement actions issued prior to the effective date of such amendments. Any contested cases pending or formal enforcement actions issued prior to the effective date of any amendments shall be subject to OAR 340-012-0028 to 340-012-0090 as prior to amendment. The list of violations classified in these rules is intended to be used only for the purposes of setting penalties for violations of law and for other rules set forth in OAR Chapter 340.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 454, ORS 459.995, ORS 466, ORS 467, ORS 468.020 & ORS 468.996 Stats. Implemented: ORS 183.090, ORS 454.635, ORS 454.645, ORS 459.376, ORS 459.995, ORS 465.900, ORS 466.210, ORS 466.880 - ORS 466.895, ORS 468.090 - ORS 468.140, ORS 468A.990, ORS 468.992, ORS 468B.025, ORS 468B.220 & ORS 468B.450 Hist.: DEQ 4-1989, f. & cert. ef. 3-14-89; DEQ 15-1990, f. & cert. ef. 3-30-90; DEQ 21-1992, f. & cert. ef. 8-11-92; Renumbered from 340-012-0080

#### 340-012-0030

#### **Definitions**

Unless otherwise required by context, as used in this Division:

- (1) "Class One Equivalent" or "Equivalent", which is used only for the purposes of determining the value of the "P" factor in the civil penalty formula, means two Class Two violations, one Class Two and two Class Three violations, or three Class Three violations.
- (2) "Commission" means the Environmental Quality Commission.
- (3) "Compliance" means meeting the requirements of the Commission's and Department's statutes, rules, permits or orders.
- (4) "Director" means the Director of the Department or the Director's authorized deputies or officers.
- (5) "Department" means the Department of Environmental Quality.
- (6) "Documented Violation" means any violation which the Department or other government agency records after observation, investigation or data collection.
- (7) "Flagrant" means any documented violation where the Respondent had actual knowledge of the law and had consciously set out to commit the violation.
- (8) "Formal Enforcement Action" means an action signed by the Director or a Regional Administrator or authorized representatives or deputies which is issued to a Respondent for a documented violation. Formal enforcement actions may require the Respondent to take action within a specified time frame, and/or state the consequences for the violation or continued noncompliance. "Formal enforcement action" includes Notices of Permit Violation, Civil Penalty Assessments, Mutual Agreement and Orders, and other Orders that may be appealed through the contested-case process; but does not include Notices

of Noncompliance issued pursuant to OAR 340-012-0041(1).

- (9) "Intentional" means conduct by a person with a conscious objective to cause the result of the conduct.
- (10) "Magnitude of the Violation" means the extent and effects of a violator's deviation from the Commission's and Department's statutes, rules, standards, permits or orders. In determining magnitude the Department shall consider all available applicable information, including such factors as: Concentration, volume, percentage, duration, toxicity, and the extent of the effects of the violation. Deviations shall be categorized as major, moderate or minor as set forth in OAR 340-012-0045(1)(a)(B).
- (11) "Negligence" or "Negligent" means failure to take reasonable care to avoid a foreseeable risk of committing an act or omission constituting a violation.
- (12) "Order" means:
- (a) Any action satisfying the definition given in ORS Chapter 183; or
- (b) Any other action so designated in ORS Chapters 454, 459, 465, 466, 467, 468, 468A, or 468B.
- (c) "Penalty Demand Notice" means a written notice issued by a representative of the Department to a party demanding payment of a stipulated penalty pursuant to the terms of an agreement entered into between the party and the Department.
- (13) "Person" includes, but is not limited to, individuals, corporations, associations, firms, partnerships, joint stock companies, public and municipal corporations, political subdivisions, states and their agencies, and the Federal Government and its agencies.
- (14) "Prior Significant Action" means any violation established either with or without admission of a violation by payment of a civil penalty, or by a final order of the Commission or the Department, or by judgment of a court.
- (15) "Reckless" or "Recklessly" means conduct by a person who is aware of and consciously disregards a substantial and unjustifiable risk that the result will occur or that the circumstance exists. The risk must be of such a nature and degree that disregard thereof constitutes a gross deviation from the standard of care a reasonable person would observe in that situation.
- (16) "Residential Open Burning" means the open burning of any domestic wastes generated by a single family dwelling and conducted by an occupant of the dwelling on the dwelling premises. This does not include the open burning of materials prohibited by OAR 340-023-0042(2).
- (17) "Respondent" means the person to whom a formal enforcement action is issued.
- (18) "Risk of Harm" means the individual or cumulative possibility of harm to public health or the environment caused by a violation or violations. Risk of harm shall be categorized as major, moderate or minor.
- (19) "Systematic" means any documented violation which occurs on a regular basis.
- (20) "Violation" means a transgression of any statute, rule, order, license, permit, or any part thereof and

1	IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF THE STATE OF OREGON			
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3	CITY OF SCAPPOOSE,			
4	Petitioner, ) TRANSMITTAL OF ENTIRE RECORD ) AND CERTIFICATE			
5	v. )			
6	DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY,  Appellate Court No. A119356			
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8	Respondent. )			
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10	I, Stephanie Hallock, Director of the Department of Environmental Quality, pursuant to			
11	ORS 183.482(4), list below and transmit herewith the original of the entire record under review			
12	in the above proceeding, except wherein a copy of any document of paper is filed herein, I hereby			
13	certify that I have compared the copy with the original and that is a true and correct copy of the			
14	original and the whole thereof.			
15	1. Department's Notice of Violation, Department Order, and Assessment of Civil Penalty, dated			
16	April 18, 2000			
17	2. City's Answer, Affirmative Defenses, Request for Hearing, dated May 8, 2000			
18	3. City's Motions to Dismiss or for Directed Verdict, dated January 11, 2001			
19	4. Department's Response to City's Motions To Dismiss, dated February 22, 2001			
20	5. City's Reply to Response of Department to City's Motions To Dismiss, dated February 28,			
21	2001			
22	6. Hearing Officer's written decision denying Motions to Dismiss or for Directed Verdict, dated			
23	March 14, 2001			
24	7. Department's Hearing Memorandum, dated August 10, 2001			
25	8. City's Post Hearing Brief-Reply, dated August 17, 2001			
26	9. Hearing Decision/Proposed Order, dated September 21, 2001			
27	10. City's Petition for Commission Review, dated October 18, 2002			

1	11. Letter from Mikell O'Mealy, dated October 25, 2001
2	12. City's Exceptions and Brief to the Rulings and Proposed Order of Hearing Officer, dated
3	November 21, 2001
4	13. Department's Response to Petitioner's Exceptions and Brief, dated December 21, 2001
5	14. Memorandum from Stephanie Hallock, Director of Department of Environmental Quality, to
6	Environmental Quality Commission, with attachments, dated July 3, 2002
7	15. Final Order from the Environmental Quality Commission, dated August 20, 2002
8	16. City's Petition for Judicial Review, dated September 20, 2002
9	17. Transmittal of Entire Record under Review and Certificate
10	* Transcript of telephone preconference hearing held November 1, 2000, before Hearing Officer
11	Ken Betterton (Separate Folder)
12	* Transcript of Hearing held January 11, 2001, before Hearing Officer Ken Betterton (Separate
13	Folder)
14	* Transcript of telephone conference held May 29, 2001, before Hearing Officer Ken Betterton
15	(Separate Folder)
16	* Transcript of Hearing held July 25, 2001, before Hearing Officer Ken Betterton (Separate
17	Folder)
18	* Exhibits from Hearing of January 11, 2001 and July 25, 2001 (Separate Envelope)
19	* Transcript of Review held July 25, 2002, before the Environmental Quality Commission,
20	(Separate Folder)
21	Dated at Portland, Oregon this 20 day of November 2002, with the seal of the
22	Department of Environmental Quality affixed hereto.
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25	Stephanie Hallock Director Department of Environmental Quality
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September 20, 2002

State Court Administrator Supreme Court Building 1163 State Street Salepr OR 97310

Re:

City of Scappoose v. Department of Environmental Quality Final Contested Case Hearing Order No. WQ/M-NWR-00-010 Our File No. 42629/30022

Dear Court Administrator:

CHRISTOPHER L. REIVE

Admitted egon and Washington

Enclosed for filing on behalf of City of Scappoose is the original Petition for Judicial Review in the above-referenced matter. Also, enclosed is our firm's check in the amount of \$140.00 for the filing fee, together with a confirmation card.

Please insert the Court of Appeals case number on the confirmation card, together with the date of filing of the same and return it to our office at your earliest convenience.

Very truly yours,

Direct Dial 503.598.5544

E-mail chris.reive@jordanschrader.com JORDAN SCHRADER

Christopher L. Reive

Enclosures

cc:

City of Scappoose

Stephanie Hallock, Director

Lynne Perry, Esq.



#### CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

September 20, 2002

State of Oregon, Department of Environmental Quality Stephanie Hallock, Director 811 SW 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue Portland OR 97204

State of Oregon, Department of Justice Lynne Perry, Esq. Assistant Attorney General 1162 Court St NE Salem OR 97301



CHRISTOPHER L. REIVE

Admitted Oregon and Washington Re:

**Petition for Judicial Review** 

Final Contested Case Hearing Order No. WQ/M-NWR-00-010 Our File No. 42629/30022

Dear Ms. Hallock & Ms. Perry:

Enclosed are service copies of the City of Scappoose's Petition for Judicial Review in the above-referenced matter.

Direct Dial 503.598.5544 Very truly yours,

JORDAN SCHRADER

E-mail chris.reive@jordanschrader.com

Enclosures

City of Scappoose cc:

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4	IN THE COURT OF APPEA	LS OF THE STATE OF OREGON	
5	CITY OF SCAPPOOSE,	Final Contested Case Hearing Order Agency No.: WQ/M-NWR-00-010	
6	Petitioner,		
7	v. DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL	CA No.	
8	QUALITY of the State of Oregon,	PETITION FOR JUDICIAL REVIEW	
9	Respondent.		
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12	A. Petitioner City of Scappoose se	eeks judicial review of the Final Contested Case	
13	Hearing Order issued by the Hearings Officer for the State of Oregon on September 21, 2001, in		
14	Case No. WQ/M-NWR-00-010 and which was affirmed by the Environmental Quality		
15	Commission on August 20, 2002. A copy of the Final Contested Case Hearing Order ("Order")		
16	is attached hereto and incorporated herein as I	Exhibit "A". The parties and attorneys to this	
17	review are:	, re	
18 19	City of Scappoose PO Box P Scappoose OR 97056-0677		
20	Petitioner		
21	Christopher L. Reive, OSB #83305 Jordan Schrader PC		
22	PO Box 230669 Portland OR 97281	₹	
<ul><li>23</li><li>24</li></ul>	Attorneys for Petitioner		
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1	State of Oregon, Department of Environmental Quality			
2	Stephanie Hallock, Director 811 SW Sixth Ave			
4	Portland OR 97204			
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	Respondent			
4	State of Oregon, Department of Justice			
5	Lynne Perry, Esq.			
	Assistant Attorney General			
6	1162 Court St. NE			
7	Salem OR 97301			
/	Attorneys for Respondent			
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٥	B. Petitioner was a party to the administrative proceeding which resulted in the			
9	Order from which review is sought.			
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	C. The Order should be reversed because it erroneously interprets provisions of law			
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	ordered to be paid by Petitioner.			
1 7	D. Petitioner is not willing to stipulate that the agency record may be shortened.			
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16	Dated this 20 <sup>th</sup> day of September, 2002.			
10	JORDAN SCHRADER PC			
17	Attorneys for Petitioner			
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20	Christopher L. Reive, OSB #83305			
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#### BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of	)	
	)	Final Contested
City of Scappoose,	)	Case Hearing Order
	)	•
Petitioner	)	No. WQ/M-NWR-00-010

On July 25, 2002, the Environmental Quality Commission considered the appeal of the City of Scappoose to the Order issued by Hearing Officer Ken L. Betterton on September 21, 2001. The Commission considered the exceptions and brief submitted by the City and the brief submitted on behalf of the Department of Environmental Quality. The Commission also heard oral argument presented by Christopher L. Reive on behalf of the City and Jeffrey R. Bachman, Environmental Law Specialist, and Assistant Attorney General Lynne Perry on behalf of the Department.

The Commission affirms the Hearing Order, incorporated herein as Attachment A. NO THE ELLE

Dated this day of August, 2002.

Stephanie Hallock, Director

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Department of Environmental Quality

On behalf of the

Environmental Quality Commission

Notice of Appeal Rights

RIGHT TO JUDICIAL REVIEW: You have the right to appeal this Order to the Oregon Court of Appeals pursuant to ORS 183,482. To appeal you must file a petition for judicial review with the Court of Appeals within 60 days from the day this Order was served on you. If this Order was personally delivered to you, the date of service is the day you received the Order. If this Order was mailed to you, the date of service is the day it was mailed, not the day you received it. If you do not file a petition for judicial review within the 60-day time period, you will lose your right to appeal.

Return to: Department of Environmental Quality

Attention: Anne R. Price

811 SW 6th Ave.

Portland, Oregon 97204-1390

Attachment A

**GENC8313** 

Ref No.: G60393

Case No: 01-GAP-00071

Case Type: DEQ

STATE OF OREGON Before the Hearing Officer Panel

For the

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

875 Union Street NE Salem, Oregon 97311

# HEARING DECISION

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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY 811 SW 6TH AVE

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CHRISTOPHER REIVE, ATTORNEY JORDAN SCHRADER PO BOX 230669 PORTLAND OR 97281 0669

JEFF BACHMAN DEQ ENFORCEMENT SECTION 811 SW 6TH AVE PORTLAND OR 97204 1334

LYNNE PERRY ASST ATTORNEY GENERAL 1162 COURT ST NE SALEM OR 97301-4095

The following **HEARING DECISION** was served to the parties at their respective addresses.



OFFICE OF COMPLIANCE AND EMPORCEMENT DEFARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

# STATE OF OREGON BEFORE THE HEARING OFFICER PANEL FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF:	)	PROPOSED ORDER
City of Scappoose,	) )	Hearing Officer Panel Case No. G60393 Agency Case No. WQ/M-NWR-00-010
Respondent.	Ć	COLUMBIA COUNTY

#### HISTORY OF THE CASE

The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) issued a Notice of Violation, Department Order, and Assessment of Civil Penalty pursuant to Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS), ORS 468.126 through 468.140, ORS Chapter 183, and Oregon Administrative Rules (OAR), OAR Chapter 340, Divisions 11 and 12, to Respondent City of Scappoose (City) on April 18, 2000.

The notice alleges (1) that on or about December 9 and 17, 1998 respondent violated ORS 468B.025(2) by violating a condition (Schedule B, Condition 1) of its National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit by failing to report the results of sample analysis for biochemical oxygen demand by intentionally reporting false sample results on its discharge monitoring report; (2) that on or about September 16, 1999 respondent violated ORS 468B.025(2) by violating Schedule B, Condition 1b of its permit by failing to maintain the accuracy of its flowmeter through twice annual calibration; (3) that on or about July 6, 10 and 20, 1998 respondent violated ORS 468B.025(2) by violating General Condition B.1 of its permit by failing to provide adequate laboratory controls and appropriate quality assurance procedures; and (4) that on or about December 9 and 17, 1998 respondent violated ORS 468B.025(2) by violating General Condition B.1 of its permit by failing to provide adequate laboratory controls and appropriate quality assurance procedures. DEQ also requested a department order in its notice that respondent submit for review and approval within 120 days a comprehensive quality assurance plan for all data generated at the respondent's wastewater facility. The notice seeks assessment of a civil penalty against respondent in the amount of \$12,000 for the violation set forth in allegation (1) in the notice.

Respondent filed an answer to the notice of violations on May 8, 2000, in which respondent denied the allegations and the magnitude of the penalty.

A telephone pre hearing conference with the parties was held on November 1, 2000.

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A hearing was held in Scappoose, Oregon on January 11, 2001 before Ken L. Betterton, administrative law judge. Jeff Bachman, environmental law specialist, represented DEQ. Christopher L. Reive, attorney at law, represented respondent. James Sheetz and Robert Baumgarter testified as witnesses for DEQ. Holly Ploetz testified as a witness for respondent. At the end of DEQ's case, respondent filed written motions to dismiss or for directed verdict to DEQ's notice. The hearing was continued to give DEQ time to file a written response to the motions. DEQ filed its response on February 22, 2001. Respondent filed its reply to DEQ's response on March 1, 2001. On March 14, 2001 I issued a written decision denying all of respondent's motions.

A telephone pre hearing conference with the parties was held on May 29, 2001.

A further hearing conference with the parties was held on July 25, 2001 in Portland, Oregon. Jeff Bachman represented DEQ. Christopher Reive represented respondent. Steve Wabschall testified as a witness for respondent. DEQ filed its written closing argument on August 10, 2001. Respondent filed its written closing argument on August 17, 2001. I then closed the record and took the matter under advisement.

Respondent admitted it committed the violations in allegations (2), (3) and (4) in the notice, for which DEQ did not seek a civil penalty. The parties also stipulated that respondent has met the requirements of the department order.

The only remaining issue to be addressed in this decision is allegation (1), whether on or about December 9 and 17, 1998 respondent violated ORS 468B.025(2) by violating Schedule B, Condition 1 of its permit by intentionally reporting false sample results on its discharge monitoring report, and if so, what civil penalty should be imposed.

#### **EVIDENTIARY RULING**

Hearing officer Exhibits A and D, Exhibit 2, and Exhibits 101 through 117 and 119 were admitted into the record without objection. DEQ withdrew Exhibit 1. DEQ objected to Exhibit 118 on relevancy grounds. Exhibit 118 is relevant. I overruled the objection and admitted Exhibit 118 into the record.

#### **ISSUES**

- (1) Whether respondent violated a condition of its NPDES permit by intentionally reporting false test results on its discharge monitoring report.
- (2) If respondent intentionally reported false test results, whether its conduct was flagrant.
- (3) If respondent intentionally reported false results, what civil penalty should be imposed.

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

(1) DEQ issued a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Waste Discharge (NPDES) permit under the Federal Clean Water Act to the City of Scappoose (City) on September 29, G60393City

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- 1992. The NPDES permit allowed the City to construct, install, modify or operate a wastewater collection, treatment, control and disposal system and discharge adequately treated wastewater to public waters. (Exhibit 101.) The City has operated under the NPDES permit since September 1992.
- (2) The City owns and operates a municipal wastewater treatment plant that provides domestic wastewater treatment for the City, and for industrial wastewater from Steinfeld's Pickles, a pickle processing facility that is connected to the City's wastewater collection system. The City discharges treated wastewater, or effluent, into the Multnomah channel of the Willamette River. (*Id.*) The City had about 4,130 residents in 1996. The pickle processing plant operates seasonally with the heaviest discharge into the system in the fall of the year. Most of the wastewater the City treats is from domestic waste.
- (3) The NPDES permit requires the City to monitor and report biochemical oxygen demand (BOD) and total suspended solids (TSS) at least twice a week by means of a composite sample technique. (Id., Schedule B.) The BOD determination is an empirical test in which standardized laboratory procedures are used to determine the relative oxygen requirements of wastewater, effluent, and polluted waters. (Exhibit 102, Appendix D at 1.) Monitoring results must be reported on approved forms. The reporting period is each calendar month. Reports for a calendar month must be submitted to DEO by the 15<sup>th</sup> day of the following month. (Exhibit 101 at paragraph 2.) Monitoring reports must include the name of each principal operator designated by the permittee (i.e., the City) as responsible for supervising the system during the reporting period. (Id.) Although monitoring reports must be submitted on approved forms, DEQ does not provide a specific form for permittees to use. Permittees are free to design or create their own report forms. The permittee must at all times properly operate and maintain all facilities and systems of treatment and control that they install or use to achieve compliance with the conditions of the permit. (Id., General Condition B.) The permit requires appropriate flow measurement devices and methods consistent with accepted scientific practices to be selected and used to ensure the accuracy and reliability of measurements of the volume of monitored discharges. The devices must be installed, calibrated and maintained to ensure that the accuracy of the measurements is consistent with the accepted capability of that type of device. (Id., Section C.) The permit requires that monitoring be conducted according to test procedures approved under 40 CFR Part 136, unless other test procedures have been specified in the permit. (Id.) No other test procedure was specified in the City's permit. Any person who knowingly

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 40 CFR Part 136—Standard Method 5210 B. 5-Day BOD Test provides:

<sup>1.</sup> General Discussion

a. Principle: The method consists of filling with sample, to overflowing, an airtight bottle of the specified size and incubating it at the specified temperature for 5 d [i.e., days]. Dissolved oxygen is measured initially and after incubation, and the BOD is computed from the difference between initial and final DO. Because the initial DO is determined shortly after the dilution is made, all oxygen uptake occurring after this measurement is included in the BOD measurement.

b. Sampling and storage: Samples for BOD analysis may degrade significantly during storage between collection and analysis, resulting in low BOD values. \* \* \* .

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<sup>2.</sup> Apparatus

a. Incubation bottles: Use glass bottles having 60 mL or greater capacity (300 mL bottles having a ground-glass stopper and a flared mouth are preferred). \* \* \*.

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makes any false statement, representation or certification in any record or other document submitted or required to be maintained under the permit, including monitoring reports, is subject to a fine or imprisonment or both. (*Id.*, Section D, paragraph 9.)

- (4) Steve Wabschall (Wabschall) has worked for the City for 24 years. He has served as superintendent of the City's wastewater treatment plant for 15 years. Wabschall supervises a staff of three individuals. Wabschall possesses a water supply certification and two wastewater certifications. Wabschall has had no enforcement actions brought against him as plant superintendent from DEQ or from the federal government.
- (5) On September 16, 1999 DEQ environmental engineer James Sheetz (Sheetz) conducted an unannounced NPDES permit inspection of the City's wastewater treatment plant. Sheetz did the inspection as part of his regular job duties, and as part of the City's NPDES permit renewal process. NPDES permits are good for five years. Although the City's permit had not been renewed by 1999, the 1992 permit remained in force until it was renewed or cancelled. DEQ tries to inspect all permittees every five years, but funding and staff workload makes it difficult to adhere strictly to a five year inspection schedule. The NPDES waste discharge permit system and DEQ rely on permittees to monitor their own systems, based on accurate input data and monitoring reports. Sheetz last inspected the City's wastewater treatment plant in 1994, although that inspection was not a compliance inspection.
- (6) Sheetz's inspection on September 16, 1999 lasted about five and one-half hours. Sheetz talked to Wabschall, observed the plant in operation, reviewed plant records and collected samples. Sheetz selected 1998 operating records for review, and selected the months of July and December 1998 for inspection. Sheetz chose the records for December 9 and 17, 1998 for examination in detail. Sheetz found no discrepancies for December 9 and 17, 1998 for the TSS bench data. The City recorded its sample test results on "bench sheets" contemporaneously with when it conducted its tests. (See Exhibit 106, 107.) Wabschall and the City created its own form of bench sheet to record its monthly data to be transferred later to the monthly discharge monitoring reports (DMR) to be filed with DEQ. Wabschall recorded two influent dilution tests for December 9, 1998 to measure 5-day BOD. The start date for the test was December 9, 1998 and the stop date for the test was December 14, 1998. (Exhibit 106.) The average BOD value for the two dilution tests Wabschall ran was 25.3 mg/L.2 (Id.) Wabschall did not record 25.3 mg/L for the BOD result on his bench sheet. Instead, he recorded a BOD result of 100 mg/L on the bench sheet for December 9, 1998. (Id.) Wabschall mistakenly recorded the value in the DO Depletion column on the bench sheet, rather than the BOD column on the form, like he should have done. (Id.) Wabschall knew, based on his TSS test result, that a BOD value of 25.3 mg/L was too low. He recorded the 5-day BOD test result of 100 mg/L, based on his estimate of what he believed the BOD result should have been, given the TSS result of 94 mg/L he reported for December 9, 1998. Wabschall did not make any note or comment on the bench sheet for the BOD value for December 9, 1998 that his recorded result of 100 mg/L was an estimate. (Id.)

The first influent sample had an initial DO of 8.49 and a final DO of 8.20. The DO Depletion for the first sample should have been 29 mg/L [ $8.49 - 8.20 = .20 \times 100 = 29 \text{ mg/L}$ ]. The second influent sample had an initial DO of 8.46 and a final DO of 8.03. The DO Depletion for the second sample should have been 21.5 mg/L [ $8.46 - 8.03 = .43 \times 50$  (adjusted for a different concentration) = 21.5 mg/L ]. The average for the two tests was 25.3 ( $29 + 21.5 \times 100 \times 1$ 

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Wabschall used a glass bottle having a capacity of 303 mL for the volume to conduct the test. The commonly accepted capacity of the bottle to conduct the test is 300 mL.

- (7) Sheetz also examined the bench sheet for December 17, 1998. Wabschall recorded two influent dilution tests for December 17, 1998 to measure the 5-day BOD. The start date for the test was December 17, 1998, and the stop date for the test was December 22, 1998. (Exhibit 107.) The average BOD value for the two dilution tests Wabschall ran was 38.8 mg/L. (*Id.*) Wabschall did not record 38.8 mg/L for a BOD result on his bench sheet. Instead, he recorded a BOD value of 60 mg/L on the bench sheet for December 17, 1998. (*Id.*) Wabschall mistakenly recorded the value of 60 in the DO Depletion column on the bench sheet, rather than in the BOD column like he should have done. (*Id.*) Wabschall knew a BOD value of 38.8 mg/L was too low for the two tests he had run. He reported the result of 60 mg/L for BOD based on his estimate of what he believed the BOD result should have been, given the TSS result of 84 mg/L he reported for December 17, 1998. Wabschall did not make any note or comment on the BOD bench sheet for December 17, 1998 that his recorded result of 60 mg/L was an estimate. (*Id.*) Wabschall used a glass bottle having a capacity of 303 mL for the volume to conduct the test. The commonly accepted capacity of the bottle to conduct the test is 300 mL.
- (8) Wabschall estimated the BOD value from his TSS result based on his belief that a correlation exists between BOD and TSS results. Wabschall based his belief on design estimates used by engineers to calculate capacity for the construction of new wastewater plants that he had read about in a textbook he used in a wastewater class he once took at a local community college. Wabschall used no specific formula to make the estimates of BOD results from TSS that he recorded and reported to DEQ.
- (9) Wabschall prepared and signed the DMR on behalf of the respondent for December 1998. (Exhibit 112.) He filed the DMR with DEQ on January 11, 1999. Wabschall recorded the BOD results of 100 mg/L for December 9, 1998 and 60 mg/L for December 17, 1998 on the DMR for December 1998. (*Id.*) Wabschall knew those test results were not the correct results from the data he obtained when he ran tests for both dates. Wabschall did not write anywhere on the DMR that his reported BOD results were estimates. (*Id.*) The DMR contains certification language near the signature line at the bottom of the form where Wabschall signed his name. (*Id.*) The certification reads:

"I certify under penalty of law that I have personal examines (sic) and am familiar with information submitted herein and based on my inquire of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information I believe the submitted information is true and accurate and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information including the possibility of fine and imprisonment." (Id.)

Wabschall knew that the results he recorded and submitted to DEQ for the BOD values for December 9 and 17, 1998 were not the actual test results he obtained when he did the 5-day BOD tests for the two days.

(10) On September 22, 1999 Sheetz telephoned Wabschall with questions about the DMR for December 1998 and the bench sheet records Sheetz had inspected on September 16, 1999.

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Wabschall told Sheetz that he knew the BOD values he wrote on the bench sheet for December 9 and 17, 1998, and that he later recorded on the DMR for December 1998, were too low.<sup>3</sup>

- (11) DEQ offers technical assistance to permittees to help them conduct their tests and report test results. Wabschall did not seek any assistance from DEQ to complete the DMR for December 1998, nor did he ask for assistance from DEQ on how to conduct BOD tests or how to track down what happened that caused the inaccurate test results he obtained.
- (12) Wabschall did not make any notes or comments on the DMR he submitted to DEQ for December 1998 that his recorded values for BOD were estimates. He did not record anywhere on the DMR the actual test results he had obtained, with notes or comments that he believed his test results were incorrect. If the City through Wabschall had made notes or comments to DEQ on the DMR, or on any other document, that his reported values were estimates, DEQ would not have sought to assess a civil penalty against the City for those test results.
- (13) DEQ did a study of the City's wastewater treatment plant records for January 1998 through December 1998 in connection with preparing the Notice of Violation, and found no correlation between TSS and BOD values that would enable an individual accurately to estimate a BOD result from an actual TSS result. (Exhibit 2.)

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- (1) Respondent City of Scappoose violated a condition of its NPDES permit by intentionally reporting false results on its discharge monitoring report for December 1998.
- (2) Respondent's conduct was not flagrant.
- (3) A \$9,600 civil penalty should be imposed against respondent.

#### **OPINION**

- (1) DEQ has authority to discipline permittees like the City for violations of waste discharge permits. ORS 468B.025(2) provides:
  - (2) No person shall violate the conditions of any waste discharge permit issued under ORS 468B.050.4

DEQ has alleged that the City's conduct was intentional. ORS 468.126 provides:

(1) No civil penalty prescribed under ORS 468.140 shall be imposed for a violation of an air, water or solid waste permit issued by the Department of Environmental Quality until

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Wabschall mistakenly recorded the BOD result for December 9, 1998 on the line for December 10, 1998 on the DMR. He also mistakenly recorded the BOD for December 17, 1998 on the line for December 18, 1998 on the DMR. DEQ concedes the recording for the wrong dates was a mistake, and does not seek any penalty or claim of violation of any rule for the erroneously designated dates.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> ORS 468B.050 sets out when a permit from DEQ is required. The parties acknowledge the City needed a permit to operate its wastewater treatment plant. G60393City

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the permittee has received five days' advance warning in writing from the department, specifying the violation and stating that a penalty will be imposed for the violation unless \* \* \*

- \* \* \* \* \*
- (2) No advance notice shall be required under subsection (1) of this section if:
- (a) The violation is intentional;
- \*\*\*\*

OAR 340-012-0030(9) provides that unless otherwise required by context, as used in this Division [Division 12, Definitions for Enforcement Procedures and Civil Penalty]:

(9) "Intentional" means conduct by a person with a conscious objective to cause the result of the conduct.

DEQ argues that the City, acting through its plant superintendent, Steve Wabschall, intentionally reported false test results on the monthly DMR for December 1998 the City filed with DEQ. The City can act only through its agents. Wabschall had authority and the responsibility to conduct wastewater tests pursuant to the NPDES permit and to file reports with DEQ in order to comply with the conditions of the permit.

The City argues that although Wabschall reported false test results, his actions did not meet the definition of "intentional" in DEQ administrative rules. The City contends that although Wabschall knew he was to report accurate information on the DMR, and that he knew he did not report his actual test results values for BOD on the DMR, DEQ has charged the City with reporting "false sample results." The City contends that because Wabschall knew the results from the tests he ran for the 5-day BOD for December 9 and 17, 1998 were obviously inaccurate, the estimated "sample test results" he reported were not intentionally false.

The NPDES permit required the City, through its agent, wastewater plant superintendent Wabschall, to follow the test methodology set out in 40 CFR 136, and to report the test results obtained from following that test methodology. Both the DMR and the permit require the permittee to report accurate and correct information based on those test results. Wabschall reported test results that he knew were inaccurate. The NPDES permit and DEQ rely on permittees to monitor themselves. DEQ lacks the resources to constantly check on an on-going basis permittees like the City to make certain they comply with all provisions in the permit. Permittees must report accurate test results and data so that both the permittee and DEQ can be alerted for any variations or discrepancies in the data and then track down problems and make corrections promptly.

OAR 340-012-0030(9) [i.e., "intentional" conduct] requires that the person act with a "conscious objective to cause the result of the conduct." In this case that conduct entailed a conscious objective to report test results knowing that those results were false or inaccurate. Acting intentionally under OAR 340-012-0030(9) does not require that the actor deliberately set out in advance to violate the law. The state of mind or level of conduct of deliberately setting out in advance to violate the law is addressed in DEQ's definition of "flagrant," which can elevate the amount of civil penalty. Wabschall admitted that he knew the test results he reported for BOD values for December 9 and 17, 1998 on the DMR for December 1998 were false or not accurate. G60393City

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He acted with a conscious objective to report test results he knew were false. DEQ established by a preponderance of the evidence that Wabschall intentionally reported false test results on the DMR report for December 1998.

The City argues that Wabschall estimated the BOD values from the TSS test results he had obtained for December 9 and 17, 1998, and hence could not have intentionally reported false test sample results. The conditions in the NPDES permit did not provide for estimating either BOD or any other test results. The permit requires following established testing methodology and reporting actual test results. Moreover, Wabschall's estimate was nothing more than a rough estimate or a guess. He used no established or accepted formula to make his estimate for BOD values from TSS test results. He just "eyeballed" the TSS test results and made his estimate. Finally, the City presented no persuasive evidence of a demonstrable correlation between BOD and TSS results. DEQ conducted a study of the City's treatment plant from January 1998 through December 1998, and found no such correlation. Wabschall apparently based his opinion of a correlation between TSS and BOD on information he obtained from a textbook he used in a class he took on wastewater treatment at a community college. However, that textbook focused on engineers calculating capacity for designs of wastewater treatment plants. The City presented no persuasive evidence that such correlation, even if it exits, applies to the actual testing of influent samples in an operating plant.

(2) Next is whether the City's conduct should be considered flagrant.

OAR 340-012-0030(7) defines "flagrant":

(7) "Flagrant means any documented violation where the Respondent had actual knowledge of law and had consciously set out to commit the violation.

Wabschall had actual knowledge of the laws and the provisions in the NPDES permit that required him to report accurate and true test results on the DMR. However, acting fragrantly implies planning or deliberately setting out in advance to violate the law. If Wabschall had that state of mind or purpose, he did a poor job covering his tracks. Wabschall recorded the actual beginning and ending values he obtained for the two samples for December 9 and 17, 1998 on the bench sheets. He then recorded a BOD value that obviously did not compute from those raw test numbers. DEQ inspector Sheetz had no difficulty discovering the erroneous results and calculating from the reported raw numbers what the actual BOD value should have been. If Wabschall had deliberately set out ahead of time to violate the law and report false test results, he could have easily made up beginning and ending raw test numbers to arrive at the BOD value he wished to report. DEQ investigator Sheetz would have had no practical way to go back and verify after the fact whether those raw test numbers were correct because the actual samples used had long since been discarded. Moreover, Wabschall made no effort to cover up what he had done when he talked to Sheetz on September 22, 1999. Sheetz asked him about the bench sheet numbers and the DMR. Wabschall acknowledged that his BOD results were estimates.

Wabschall made several mistakes gathering data and conducting tests. He placed test results in the wrong columns on bench sheets, he matched data with the wrong dates, and he may have used an incorrectly sized bottle to conduct tests. The City's plant under Wabschall's supervision had not been inspected by DEQ for permit compliance prior to September 16, 1998. Wabschall G60393City

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probably did not anticipate an inspection. Wabschall and the City had to collect lots of data on a continuous basis and conduct numerous tests on influent and effluent. Wabschall no doubt had a good understanding of the operation of his plant and generally on what levels and test results for influent and effluent to expect based on his experience. Alerting DEQ to erroneous test results and possibly flawed testing procedures may have invited additional scrutiny from DEQ and added work for Wabschall and his staff. Reporting his best estimates for BOD values and moving on was the path of least resistance. Although Wabschall acted intentionally in reporting false BOD values, DEQ failed to prove by a preponderance of the evidence that the City acting through Wabschall acted flagrantly.

#### **CIVIL PENALTY**

DEQ calculated the requested penalty of \$12,000 according to the factors set forth in Exhibit 1 to the Notice of Assessment of Civil Penalty. (Exhibit 104.)

Violations pertaining to water quality shall be classified as Class I if the violation involves intentionally submitting false information. OAR 340-012-0055(1)(m).

The magnitude of the violation is moderate pursuant to OAR 340-012-0045(1) because there is no selected magnitude for the violation in OAR 340-012-0090.

The formula for determining the amount of penalty of each violation is:

$$BP = [(0.1 \text{ x BP}) \text{ x } (P + H + O + R + C) + EB$$

"BP" is the base penalty which is \$3,000 for a Class I moderate magnitude violation in the matrix listed in OAR 340-012-0042(1).

"P" is respondent's prior significant action(s) and receives a value of 0 according to OAR 340-012-0045(1)(c)(A)(ii) because respondent has no prior significant actions.

"H" is the past history of respondent in taking all feasible steps or procedures necessary to correct any prior significant action(s) and receives a value of 0 according to OAR 340-012-0045(1)(c)(B)(ii) because respondent has no prior history.

"O" is whether or not the violation was a single occurrence or was repeated or continuous during the period of the violation and receives a value of 0 according to OAR 340-012-0045(1)(c)(C)(i) because respondent is being assessed separate penalties for each occurrence of the violation.

"R" is the cause of the violation and receives a value of 6 according to OAR 340-012-0045(1)(c)(D)(iii) because respondent acted intentionally as explained in subsection (2) of the Opinion Section of this decision.

"C" is respondent's cooperativeness in correcting the violation and receives a value of 0 according to OAR 340-012-0045(1)(c)(E)(ii) because the effects of the violation could not be corrected.

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"EB" is the approximate dollar sum of the economic benefit that the respondent gained through noncompliance according to OAR 340-012-0045(1)(c)(F) and receives a value of 0 due to a lack of evidence upon which to make a determination.

#### Penalty Calculation:

Penalty = BP + 
$$[(0.1 \times BP) \times (P + H + O + R + C)] + EB$$
  
= \$3,000 +  $[(0.1 \times $3,000) \times (0 + 0 + 6 + 0 + 0)] + $0$   
= \$3,000 +  $($300 \times 6) + $0$   
= \$3,000 + \$1,800 + \$0  
= \$4,800

Because respondent committed violations for two separate days, December 9 and 17, 1998, the penalty should be multiplied by two.<sup>5</sup> The penalty the Commission should impose is \$9,600.

#### PROPOSED ORDER

I propose that the Commission enter an order that respondent City of Scappoose violated ORS 468B.025(2) and 468.126, and impose a civil penalty on respondent in the amount of \$9,600.

Dated this 2/ day of September, 2001

Ken L. Betterton

Administrative Law Judge Hearing Officer Panel

#### **Appeal Procedures**

If you are not satisfied with this decision, you have the right to have the decision reviewed by the Oregon Environmental Quality Commission. To have the decision reviewed, you must file a "Petition for Review" within 30 days of the date this order is served on you as provided in Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 340-011-0132(1) and (2). The Petition for Review must be filed with:

Stephanie Hallock, Director

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> ORS 468.140 provides:

<sup>(1)</sup> In addition to any other penalty provided by law, any person who violates any of the following shall incur a civil penalty for each day of violation \* \* \*.

<sup>(</sup>b) Any provision of \* \* \* ORS chapters 468 \* \* \* and 468B.

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Department of Environmental Quality 811 SW Sixth Avenue Portland, OR 97204.

Within 30 days of filing the Petition for Review, you must also file exceptions and a brief as in provided in OAR 340-011-0132(3). If the petition, exceptions and brief are filed in a timely manner, the Commission will set the matter for oral argument and notify you of the time and place of the Commission's meeting. The requirements for filing a petition, exceptions and briefs are set out in OAR 340-011-0132.

Unless you timely and appropriately file a Petition for Review as set forth above, this Proposed Order becomes the Final Order of the Environmental Quality Commission 30 days from the date of service on you of this Proposed Order. If you wish to appeal the Final Order, you have 60 days from the date the Proposed Order becomes the Final Order to file a petition for review with the Oregon Court of Appeals. See ORS 183.400 et. seq.

STATE OF OREGON - HEARING OFFICER PANEL - EMPLOYMENT DEPARTMENT

# STATE OF OREGON BEFORE THE HEARING OFFICER PANEL FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF:	)	
	)	ORDER ASSESSING
	)	CIVIL PENALTY
City of Scappoose,	)	Hearing Officer Panel Case No. G60393
	j	Agency Case No. WQ/M-NWR-00-010
	) .	COLUMBIA COUNTY
Respon	dent.	

#### **ORDER**

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that respondent, City of Scappoose, is liable for a civil penalty of \$9,600.00, plus interest pursuant to ORS 82.010, from the date this order is signed until paid. If the civil penalty remains unpaid for more than ten (10) days from the date this order is signed, this order may be filed with any County Clerk and execution shall issue thereon.

If a party wishes to appeal this order, the party has thirty (30) days from the date this order is signed to appeal the order to the Environmental Quality Commission. See Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 340-011-0132. If a party wishes to appeal the decision of the Environmental Quality Commission, the party has sixty (60) days from the date of service of the order by the Commission to file a petition for review with the Oregon Court of Appeals. (See ORS 183.480 et seq.)

ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMMISSION

Dated this 2/ day of September, 2001

Ken L. Betterton Administrative Law Judge Hearing Officer Panel

### **Certificate of Service**

County of Marion	)	
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State of Oregon	)	
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I certify that on <u>9</u>	<u> 191101</u>	_ a true copy of the above Proposed Order was served on
		the same in the United States Mail in Salem, Oregon,
postage paid and cer	tified, and s	ent to the addresses appearing on the Notice of Hearing
unless otherwise not	ed below.	

Laurel Van Fleet Hearing Officer Panel

I hereby certify that the within instrument was received for record and recorded in the County of Columbia, State of Oregon.

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# Department of Environmental Quality

Memorandum

Date:

July 3, 2002

To:

**Environmental Quality Commission** 

From:

Stephanie Hallock, Director J. Hullock

Subject:

Agenda Item A: Contested Case No. WQ/M-NWR-00-010 regarding City of

Scappoose, July 25, 2002 EQC Meeting

Appeal to EQC

On October 18, 2001, the City of Scappoose appealed a Proposed Order (Attachment E) assessing a \$9,600 civil penalty for violation of the City's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) wastewater discharge permit. The violation was for intentional submittal of false data on a discharge monitoring report.

Background

On April 18, 2000, DEQ assessed the City of Scappoose a \$12,000 civil penalty (Attachment M) for violating its NPDES wastewater discharge permit by failing to report the results of wastewater monitoring on two occasions in December 1998. DEQ further alleged that the City intentionally reported false test results instead of the actual monitoring results.

On January 11, 2001, the Department presented its case to the Hearing Officer. At the conclusion of DEQ's argument, the City filed three written motions to dismiss the civil penalty, or for a directed verdict finding for the City. The City claimed that DEQ did not give proper notice to the City under the Administrative Procedures Act (ORS 183) and ORS 468.126<sup>1</sup>. Specifically, the City said DEQ's Notice of Civil Penalty Assessment (Attachment M) did not cite an exception to the requirement in ORS 468.126 that it give the City an advanced warning and an opportunity to correct the violation before assessing a civil penalty. The City also argued that DEQ's Notice did not allege conduct that violated the City's permit and that even if it had properly alleged a violation, it had not proved at the hearing that the City committed the alleged violations. The Hearing Officer denied the motions in a March 14, 2001 written opinion (Attachment H). The contested case hearing concluded on July 25, 2001, and the Hearing Officer issued his Proposed Order on September 21, 2001.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 468.126 requires the Department to give certain permittees five days advanced warning before assessing a civil penalty. If the permittee corrects the violation within five days of receiving the warning, the Department may not assess a civil penalty. There are exceptions set forth in ORS 468.126 that allow the Department, when the conditions of the exception are met, to assess a civil penalty without first issuing a warning.

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Findings of fact made by the Hearing Officer are summarized as follows:

The City operates a municipal wastewater treatment plant that collects domestic sewage and food processing wastewater and discharges treated effluent to the Multnomah Channel of the Willamette River. The City's permit requires it to perform twice weekly monitoring of its influent for biochemical oxygen demand (BOD) and total suspended solids and to report the results of its monitoring to DEQ on monthly discharge monitoring reports. The permit requires the BOD determination to be made using an empirical test with standardized laboratory procedures.

On December 9 and 17, 1998, the City's treatment plant operator, Steve Wabschall, ran influent BOD tests that resulted in values of 25.3 and 33.8 milligrams per liter (mg/L) BOD, respectively. Mr. Wabschall believed that the results obtained on both occasions were too low to be accurate. When he prepared the City's Discharge Monitoring Report for December 1998, instead of reporting the test results he obtained, Mr. Wabschall reported his own estimate of influent BOD, 60 mg/L for December 9 and 100 mg/L for December 17. Mr. Wabschall believed he could estimate influent BOD based on the results for influent total suspended solids (TSS). Mr. Wabschall knew that the BOD values he recorded and submitted to DEQ were not the actual results he obtained, but did not write anywhere on the report that the results were estimates. In preparation for the case hearing, DEQ performed a study of the City's wastewater treatment plant records for January 1998 through December 1998 and found no correlation between TSS and BOD that would enable Mr. Wabschall to accurately estimate a BOD result from a TSS result (Attachment N2).

In his Conclusions of Law, the Hearing Officer found that the City violated a condition of its NPDES permit by intentionally reporting false results on its December 1998 discharge monitoring report, but that the City's conduct was not flagrant. The Hearing Officer proposed that a \$9,600 civil penalty be assessed against the City.

In its appeal of the Proposed Order (Attachment B), the City took exception to:

- 1. The Hearing Officer's failure to grant its motion to dismiss based on DEQ's alleged failure to give the City the statutory notice required by ORS 183 and 468.126(1).
- 2. The Hearing Officer's failure to grant its motion to dismiss based on DEQ's alleged failure to describe conduct in the Notice constituting a violation.

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- 3. The Hearing Officer's Proposed Findings of Fact 6, 7 and 9, to the extent the Hearing Officer found that Mr. Wabschall intended to report test results for the data entries at issue in the case.
- 4. The Hearing Officer's Proposed Conclusion of Law 1, that Scappoose "intentionally" reported "false results on its discharge monitoring report for December 1998."

#### City Exception 1

The City argued that the Commission's prior contested case hearing decisions required that the Department cite in the Notice the precise statutory exception allowing assessment of a civil penalty without the advanced warning required by ORS 468.126. In its response brief (Attachment A), the Department argued that the Commission should preclude the City from raising the defense of inadequate notice. In his ruling on the motion, the Hearing Officer determined that the City was barred from raising the defense of inadequate notice because it failed to do so in its Answer to the violation Notice (Attachment L) or before the hearing. The City did not appeal this ruling and the Department argued that the City should not be allowed to raise the inadequate notice defense before the Commission. The Hearing Officer also found that even if the City had timely raised the inadequate notice defense, the Department's Notice met all the requirements of ORS 183 and 468. Should the Commission agree to hear the inadequate notice defense, the Department requested in its brief that the Commission adopt the Hearing Officer's finding that the Notice was adequate.

#### City Exception 2

The City also argues that the Department did not allege conduct in the Notice that constituted a violation. In the Notice, the Department alleged that the City violated Schedule B, Condition 1, "by failing to report the results of sample analysis for biological oxygen demand. Respondent intentionally submitted false sample results on its Discharge Monitoring Report." The City contends that Schedule B, Condition 1, requires the City to report "monitoring results" which are not necessarily "sample results." The City claims that it did submit "monitoring results" when it reported alleged estimates of influent BOD rather than the sample results Mr. Wabschall considered clearly inaccurate. The Hearing Officer found that Schedule B, Condition 1, of the City's permit did require the City to report the actual results of its sampling analysis. The Hearing Officer stated that the permit required the City to use the sampling methodology set forth in 40 Code of Federal Regulations 136 and to report the results of that methodology. The Department requested the Commission adopt the Hearing Officer's reasoning, arguing that the language of the permit is clear in requiring the City to report the actual analytical

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results of the sampling methodology specified by the permit.

#### City Exceptions 3 and 4

In its third and fourth exceptions, the City argues that Mr. Wabschall did not intend to report false test results, so the City therefore could not intentionally have violated its permit. The City alleged that 1) Mr. Wabschall knew the test results were inaccurate; 2) he believed that he could estimate a more accurate value; 3) in accordance with the City's second exception, it was never required to report test results anyway; and 4) DEQ provided no guidance or other information to permit holders explaining how to handle test data that is known to be invalid or inaccurate. In its response brief, the Department argued that the City's interpretation of the term "intentional" is not supported by the definition set forth in rule. The City claims that, for its conduct to be intentional, Mr. Wabschall must have had a conscious objective to violate the law. The Department states in its brief (Attachment A) that the standard for intentional conduct put forth by the City is actually that for flagrant conduct, as defined by rule. The Department argued that to prove intentional, the Department need only prove that the data was false and Mr. Wabschall had the conscious objective to submit that data to the Department. Whether or not it was his objective to violate the law is irrelevant. The Department noted in its brief that Mr. Wabschall 1) consciously prepared and signed the monitoring report for December 1998 on behalf of the City; 2) consciously failed to report the actual results of the required monitoring; 3) consciously created the BOD data submitted; and 4) consciously filed the monitoring report with the Department, without notation reflecting that the BOD data on the report was generated by any means other than the required analytical methodology.

#### EQC Authority

The Commission has the authority to hear this appeal under OAR 340-011-0132.

#### **Alternatives**

The Commission may:

- 1. As requested by the City, dismiss the penalty by adopting the City's exceptions 1 or 2, or 3 and 4.
- 2. As requested by the Department, uphold the Hearing Officer's Proposed Order.

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# Department of Environmental Quality

Memorandum

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July 3, 2002

To:

**Environmental Quality Commission** 

From:

Stephanie Hallock, Director J. Hallock

Subject:

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Scappoose, July 25, 2002 EQC Meeting

Appeal to EQC

On October 18, 2001, the City of Scappoose appealed a Proposed Order (Attachment E) assessing a \$9,600 civil penalty for violation of the City's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) wastewater discharge permit. The violation was for intentional submittal of false data on a discharge monitoring report.

Background

On April 18, 2000, DEQ assessed the City of Scappoose a \$12,000 civil penalty (Attachment M) for violating its NPDES wastewater discharge permit by failing to report the results of wastewater monitoring on two occasions in December 1998. DEQ further alleged that the City intentionally reported false test results instead of the actual monitoring results.

On January 11, 2001, the Department presented its case to the Hearing Officer. At the conclusion of DEQ's argument, the City filed three written motions to dismiss the civil penalty, or for a directed verdict finding for the City. The City claimed that DEQ did not give proper notice to the City under the Administrative Procedures Act (ORS 183) and ORS 468.126<sup>1</sup>. Specifically, the City said DEQ's Notice of Civil Penalty Assessment (Attachment M) did not cite an exception to the requirement in ORS 468.126 that it give the City an advanced warning and an opportunity to correct the violation before assessing a civil penalty. The City also argued that DEQ's Notice did not allege conduct that violated the City's permit and that even if it had properly alleged a violation, it had not proved at the hearing that the City committed the alleged violations. The Hearing Officer denied the motions in a March 14, 2001 written opinion (Attachment H). The contested case hearing concluded on July 25, 2001, and the Hearing Officer issued his Proposed Order on September 21, 2001.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 468.126 requires the Department to give certain permittees five days advanced warning before assessing a civil penalty. If the permittee corrects the violation within five days of receiving the warning, the Department may not assess a civil penalty. There are exceptions set forth in ORS 468.126 that allow the Department, when the conditions of the exception are met, to assess a civil penalty without first issuing a warning.

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Findings of fact made by the Hearing Officer are summarized as follows:

The City operates a municipal wastewater treatment plant that collects domestic sewage and food processing wastewater and discharges treated effluent to the Multnomah Channel of the Willamette River. The City's permit requires it to perform twice weekly monitoring of its influent for biochemical oxygen demand (BOD) and total suspended solids and to report the results of its monitoring to DEQ on monthly discharge monitoring reports. The permit requires the BOD determination to be made using an empirical test with standardized laboratory procedures.

On December 9 and 17, 1998, the City's treatment plant operator, Steve Wabschall, ran influent BOD tests that resulted in values of 25.3 and 33.8 milligrams per liter (mg/L) BOD, respectively. Mr. Wabschall believed that the results obtained on both occasions were too low to be accurate. When he prepared the City's Discharge Monitoring Report for December 1998, instead of reporting the test results he obtained, Mr. Wabschall reported his own estimate of influent BOD, 60 mg/L for December 9 and 100 mg/L for December 17. Mr. Wabschall believed he could estimate influent BOD based on the results for influent total suspended solids (TSS). Mr. Wabschall knew that the BOD values he recorded and submitted to DEQ were not the actual results he obtained, but did not write anywhere on the report that the results were estimates. In preparation for the case hearing, DEQ performed a study of the City's wastewater treatment plant records for January 1998 through December 1998 and found no correlation between TSS and BOD that would enable Mr. Wabschall to accurately estimate a BOD result from a TSS result (Attachment N2).

In his Conclusions of Law, the Hearing Officer found that the City violated a condition of its NPDES permit by intentionally reporting false results on its December 1998 discharge monitoring report, but that the City's conduct was not flagrant. The Hearing Officer proposed that a \$9,600 civil penalty be assessed against the City.

In its appeal of the Proposed Order (Attachment B), the City took exception to:

- 1. The Hearing Officer's failure to grant its motion to dismiss based on DEQ's alleged failure to give the City the statutory notice required by ORS 183 and 468.126(1).
- 2. The Hearing Officer's failure to grant its motion to dismiss based on DEQ's alleged failure to describe conduct in the Notice constituting a violation.

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- 3. The Hearing Officer's Proposed Findings of Fact 6, 7 and 9, to the extent the Hearing Officer found that Mr. Wabschall intended to report test results for the data entries at issue in the case.
- 4. The Hearing Officer's Proposed Conclusion of Law 1, that Scappoose "intentionally" reported "false results on its discharge monitoring report for December 1998."

### City Exception 1

The City argued that the Commission's prior contested case hearing decisions required that the Department cite in the Notice the precise statutory exception allowing assessment of a civil penalty without the advanced warning required by ORS 468.126. In its response brief (Attachment A), the Department argued that the Commission should preclude the City from raising the defense of inadequate notice. In his ruling on the motion, the Hearing Officer determined that the City was barred from raising the defense of inadequate notice because it failed to do so in its Answer to the violation Notice (Attachment L) or before the hearing. The City did not appeal this ruling and the Department argued that the City should not be allowed to raise the inadequate notice defense before the Commission. The Hearing Officer also found that even if the City had timely raised the inadequate notice defense, the Department's Notice met all the requirements of ORS 183 and 468. Should the Commission agree to hear the inadequate notice defense, the Department requested in its brief that the Commission adopt the Hearing Officer's finding that the Notice was adequate.

## City Exception 2

The City also argues that the Department did not allege conduct in the Notice that constituted a violation. In the Notice, the Department alleged that the City violated Schedule B, Condition 1, "by failing to report the results of sample analysis for biological oxygen demand. Respondent intentionally submitted false sample results on its Discharge Monitoring Report." The City contends that Schedule B, Condition 1, requires the City to report "monitoring results" which are not necessarily "sample results." The City claims that it did submit "monitoring results" when it reported alleged estimates of influent BOD rather than the sample results Mr. Wabschall considered clearly inaccurate. The Hearing Officer found that Schedule B, Condition 1, of the City's permit did require the City to report the actual results of its sampling analysis. The Hearing Officer stated that the permit required the City to use the sampling methodology set forth in 40 Code of Federal Regulations 136 and to report the results of that methodology. The Department requested the Commission adopt the Hearing Officer's reasoning, arguing that the language of the permit is clear in requiring the City to report the actual analytical

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## City Exceptions 3 and 4

In its third and fourth exceptions, the City argues that Mr. Wabschall did not intend to report false test results, so the City therefore could not intentionally have violated its permit. The City alleged that 1) Mr. Wabschall knew the test results were inaccurate; 2) he believed that he could estimate a more accurate value; 3) in accordance with the City's second exception, it was never required to report test results anyway; and 4) DEQ provided no guidance or other information to permit holders explaining how to handle test data that is known to be invalid or inaccurate. In its response brief, the Department argued that the City's interpretation of the term "intentional" is not supported by the definition set forth in rule. The City claims that, for its conduct to be intentional, Mr. Wabschall must have had a conscious objective to violate the law. The Department states in its brief (Attachment A) that the standard for intentional conduct put forth by the City is actually that for flagrant conduct, as defined by rule. The Department argued that to prove intentional, the Department need only prove that the data was false and Mr. Wabschall had the conscious objective to submit that data to the Department. Whether or not it was his objective to violate the law is irrelevant. The Department noted in its brief that Mr. Wabschall 1) consciously prepared and signed the monitoring report for December 1998 on behalf of the City; 2) consciously failed to report the actual results of the required monitoring; 3) consciously created the BOD data submitted; and 4) consciously filed the monitoring report with the Department, without notation reflecting that the BOD data on the report was generated by any means other than the required analytical methodology.

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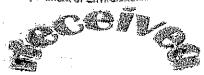
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6	CITY OF SCAPPOOSE  Petitioner.	Case No. G60393
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21	City asks the Commission to make four exception	ons to the Hearing Officer's Proposed Order.
22	The Department requests that the Commission of	leny the City's Exceptions.
23	DISC	USSION

- 24 I. Exceptions 1 and 2: Denial of Motions to Dismiss.
- The City moved to dismiss the Department's Notice at the conclusion of the
- Department's case, and roughly eight months after it filed its answer to the Notice. It did so on

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1	two grounds: (a) that the Department failed to comply with certain notice requirements, and (b)
. 2	that the Department's Notice failed to state a claim for which relief may be granted. Judge
3	Betterton correctly denied both motions. (Ruling of March 14, 2001, attached.)
4	a. Compliance with Notice Requirements.
5	The Commission should preclude the City from appealing the Hearing Officer's denial of
6	its motion to dismiss the case for lack of proper notice. Judge Betterton denied the City's motion
7	to dismiss the civil penalty assessment for failure to comply with notice requirements on two
8	independent, but equally sufficient grounds: (1) that the City failed to timely raise its defense of
9	insufficient notice in its Answer to the Department's Notice, and (2) that the Notice did comply
10	with the requirements of Oregon Revised Statute 183.090 and 183.415. The City, however, only
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13	the Hearing Officer's denial of the motion to dismiss on the ground that the City did not timely
14	raise its defense of insufficient notice, the City should be precluded from raise that defense
15	before the Commission.
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17	obligated to plead any alleged deficiency in the Notice prior to the hearing or in its answer:
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19	motion to dismiss filed prior to hearing, or in its answer. The issue in Motion (1)(A) goes to the sufficiency of the pleading or the notice of violation, and is a matter that can be
20	raised by examining the face of the notice of violation itself. Respondent is precluded
21	from raising this issue at the conclusion of DEQ's case-in-chief. Respondent's Motion (1)(A) is denied." (March 14, 2001 ruling, at 1).
22	As noted above, the City did not file its motions to dismiss until DEQ closed its case at
23	the hearing, eight months after it filed its Answer. OAR 340-011-0107(2) provides in relevant
24	part as follows:
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26	Answer filed May 8, 2000; motions to dismiss filed January 11, 2001.
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PETITIONER'S EXCEPTIONS AND BRIEF

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4	(b) Failure to raise a claim or defense shall be presumed to be a waiver of such claims or defenses;			
5	* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *			
6	Thus, Judge Betterton properly denied the motion because the City had already waived this			
7	defense.			
8	Judge Betterton also denied the City's challenge to the adequacy of the notice on the			
9	merits. ORS 468.126(1) requires five days' advance written notice of civil penalties imposed for			
10	violation of NPDES permits. The notice requirement is, however, subject to several exceptions,			
11	as noted in ORS 468.126(2). ORS 468.126(2)(a) expressly provides that advance notice is not			
12	required if the alleged violation was intentional.			
13	DEQ's Notice expressly states that it is issued pursuant to ORS 468.126. Notice Section			
14	IV, ¶ 1 further alleges an intentional violation:			
15 16 17	"On or about December 9 and 17, 1998, Respondent violated ORS 468B.025(2) by violating a condition of its Permit. Specifically, Respondent violated Schedule B, Condition 1. Respondent <i>intentionally</i> reported false sample results on its Discharge Monitoring Report. These are Class I violations pursuant to OAR 340-012-0055(1)(m)." (Emphasis added.)			
18	As a result, Judge Betterton denied the City's motion, finding in relevant part:			
19 20	"DEQ alleges in its notice of violation that respondent acted intentionally. No advance notice is required if the alleged violation is intentional. ORS 468.126(2)(a). Respondent			
21	has cited no persuasive authority that DEQ must plead a reference to ORS 468.126(2)(a) in its notice of violation. DEQ's allegations in its notice of violation do not require that it			
22	give the advance written notice required by ORS 468.126(1). DEQ's notice of violating the state of the state			
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24	specifically cite the exception to the advanced notice requirement in ORS 468.126(2) on which			
25	the Department relied. The City relies solely on the authorities Judge Betterton found			
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1 Simply put, ORS 468.126 does not express any actual pleading requirements. The 2 relevant pleading requirements are found in ORS 183.415. The crux of the City's argument is 3 that even though the Department plead both ORS 468.126 and an intentional violation, ORS 4 183.415(2) required it to plead specifically its reliance on subsection ORS 468.126(2)(a). 5 It is unclear how the City would benefit from such a citation in light of DEQ's allegation 6 that the City acted intentionally. Nevertheless, the Oregon Court of Appeals has already 7 determined that ORS 183.415 does not require what the City alleges is missing. Doherty v. 8 Oregon Water Resources Director, 92 Or App 22, 33-34, 758 P2d 865 (Or App 1988) (rejecting 9 argument that notice inadequate for failure to specify a statutory subsection because text of 10 notice and reference to statute as a whole made the relationship between the subsections "obvious"; omission was not material and petitioner was not prejudiced). Before Judge 11 Betterton, the City attempted to distinguish the Doherty case by arguing that Doherty did not 12 13 involve a civil penalty. That is a distinction without a difference. The requirements of ORS 14 183.415 are no different when a civil penalty is at issue. 15 For its part, the City relies on four contested case rulings. Three can be distinguished without much discussion.<sup>2</sup> In the fourth ruling, DEQ v. Neu-Glo Candles, Inc., 1988 WL 16 17 163165 (October 27, 1988), the hearings officer determined that ORS 183,415(2) imposed an 18 independent obligation to cite the statutory exception relied upon (e.g. ORS 468.126(2)(a)). In 19 that case, DEQ asserted that the violation alleged fell within two of the enumerated exceptions 20 (those in (2)(b) and (2)(e)) but did not attempt to prove that the violation fell within (2)(b) and neither alleged a violation subject to the exception in (2)(e) nor satisfied the independent notice 21 22 <sup>2</sup> In DEQ v. Thomas H. Scott, 1990 WL 283207 (1990), DEQ failed to present evidence establishing that 23 the violation fell within the exception in ORS 468.126(2) on which it relied. In DEQ v. Elliot-Jochimsen Construction, Inc., 1988 WL 167438 (1988), the exception upon which DEQ relied was not found in DEQ's rule 24 with respect to the five-day notice (OAR 340-012-0040). Thus, DEQ failed to satisfy the independent notice requirement in its rule. Finally, DEQ v. Bill R. Labenske, Jr., dba Guarantee Construction, 1989 WL 12077 (1989), 25 the hearings officer determined that although DEQ relied on the exception in (2)(a) for intentional violations, DEQ had failed either to allege or to prove an intentional act. 26

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1	requirement in OAR 340-012-0040. In the present case, DEQ both alleged and proved an		
2	intentional violation subject to the exception in ORS 468.126(2)(a). Regardless of that		
3	distinction, the Commission is not at liberty to rely on Neu-Glo Candles given the superior		
4	authority to the contrary found in Doherty. <sup>3</sup>		
5	Finally, it is worth noting that despite the City's failure to address this issue in its Brief to		
6	the Commission, the City's initial response to the Department's argument that the motions were		
7	untimely actually supports DEQ's position with respect to the sufficiency of the notice. Before		
8	Judge Betterton, the City argued, in part, as follows:		
9 10 11	"By its motions, [the City] has addressed the issue of DEQ's failure to satisfy its legal burden of properly pleading and proving its case. These issues are raised for the first time after DEQ rested its case because they are not relevant or complete until that time." (Respondent's Reply at 2, emphasis in original).		
12	This begs the question. How can the Notice be deficient on its face, as the City now		
13	argues in its first exception, if the issue was not "relevant or complete" until after DEQ rested its		
14	case (i.e., until all of the proof has been presented)? The answer is, it cannot.		
15	In sum, Judge Betterton properly denied this motion on both procedural and substantive		
16	grounds.		
17	b. DEQ properly alleged a claim upon which relief can be granted.		
18	The City asserts that DEQ failed to allege a claim in Section IV, Paragraph 1 for which		
19	relief can be granted. Section IV, Paragraph 1 alleges that the City violated ORS 468B.025(2)		
20	by violating a condition of its permit. Paragraph 1 further describes the violation alleged,		
21	namely, that Respondent failed to report the results of the analysis of its biochemical oxygen		
22	demand (BOD) sample and reported false results on its discharge monitoring report (or DMR).		
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25 26 Page	<ul> <li>The hearings officer's failure to rely on <i>Doherty</i> is potentially explained by the fact that <i>Doherty</i> was reissued on reconsideration only two weeks before the <i>Neu-Glo Candles</i> decision was issued. (<i>Doherty</i>, 92 Or App 22 [July 6, 1988, reconsideration allowed and opinion clarified October 12, 1988]).</li> <li>RESPONSE OF OREGON DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY TO PETITIONER'S EXCEPTIONS AND BRIEF</li> </ul>		

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1	Nothing more is required to allege a claim. ORS 183.415(2)(c) and (d) require a reference		
2	to the statutes involved and "a short and plain statement of the matters asserted or charged."		
3	DEQ need not reference the specific permit condition by number at all.		
4	Moreover, Schedule B, Condition 1 lays out the minimum monitoring and reporting		
5	requirements to which the City is subject. The allegation is not that Respondent failed to deliver		
6	a report, but that the Respondent reported something other than the results derived from the		
7	sampling methodology required by Schedule B, Condition 1. Thus, the allegation in Notice		
8	Section IV Paragraph 1 is proper and states a claim upon which relief can be granted.		
9	The City's argument rests on a fairly tortured reading of the permit. The gist of the		
10	City's argument is that it was not required to report the results of the sampling analysis		
11	conducted using the methodology specified by the permit. According to the City, Permit		
12	Schedule B, Condition 1 may specify minimum monitoring and reporting frequencies and the		
13	type of samples to be taken, but Schedule B, Condition 2 only requires the permittee to report		
14	"monitoring" results. In other words, the City argues that with respect to BOD, the term		
15	"monitoring results" does not necessarily mean "sampling results," meaning that the City is at		
16	liberty to report something other than its sampling results (e.g., the plant operator's best-guess).		
17	The flaw in this analysis is readily apparent. It is undisputed that the permit obligates the		
18	City to "monitor" and to report "monitoring results." The monitoring methodology is not,		
19	however, left, as the City suggests, to the discretion of the permittee. Section C.3 of the permit,		
20	entitled "Monitoring Procedures" states that "monitoring must be conducted according to test		
21	procedures approved under 40 CFR [Code of Federal Regulations] 136, unless other test		
22	procedures have been specified." No other test procedures are specified in the City's permit.		
23	Suffice it to say, an operator's "best-guess" is not a test procedure approved under 40 CFR Part		
24	136 for purposes of monitoring BOD. (Were that the case, one would have to wonder why the		
25	City has, for the past nine years, gone to the expense of collecting samples twice a week and		
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analyzing them for BOD using Standard Method 5210B, an approved method under 40 CFR Part 1 2 136.) 3 The City's argument is premised upon the use of the term "monitoring" rather than 4 "sampling" in Schedule B, Condition 2. Use of the term "monitoring," merely reflects the reality that all of the items or parameters to be monitored do not require sampling and analysis, 5 6 however. Some parameters require sampling and analysis (e.g. BOD, TSS, pH, sludge analysis); some parameters do not (e.g. flow, flow meter calibration, % volatile solids reduction, locations 8 of sludge application). In this context, "sampling" would be a misnomer with respect to many 9 parameters. The term "monitoring results" encompasses both sample results (for those items 10 requiring sampling) and the results of other observations/calculations/information (for those 11 parameters that do not require sampling). 12 The City also relies on the reference to the term "information" found in the compliance certification<sup>4</sup> as evidence that an operator need not submit "test results." The City cannot 13 reasonably argue that the conditions of the permit are somehow altered by the general language 14 15 of a certification designed to secure compliance with those very same conditions. Permittees are 16 required to submit various types of information, some of which is generated by sampling, some 17 of which is not. The permit specifies the manner in which each parameter is to be monitored and 18 requires submission of those monitoring results. In this context, submission of information 19 generated by a different method (here, guesswork), particularly when the submission purports to 20 satisfy permit requirements, prevents that submission from being "true, accurate and complete."

do so. Thus, it failed to report the results of sample analysis for biological oxygen demand, as alleged in DEQ's Notice. Moreover, rather than submitting nothing, the City provided a "guess"

In sum, the City was obligated to report the actual test results for BOD. The City did not

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The preparer of a Discharge Monitoring Report to be submitted to the Department is required to sign a certification on the report which reads: "I certify under penalty of law that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted herein: and based on my inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, I believe the information submitted is true, accurate and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information including the possibility of fines and imprisonment."

- on the form on which it was to report its test results (and without alerting DEO to the fact that the 1 submission was a guess). In doing so, the City can reasonably be viewed as having submitted 2 3 false test results as alleged. Both of these independent bases are claims on which relief can be 4 granted. Judge Betterton properly denied this motion. 5 II. **Exceptions 3 and 4: Findings and Conclusions** 6 The City asserts that the portions of Proposed Findings of Fact Nos. 6, 7, and 9 stating that the treatment plant superintendent reported or intended to report test results and the proposed 8 Conclusion of Law that the City intentionally violated its permit by reporting false results are not 9 supported by evidence in the record. The Hearing Officer's Proposed Findings of Fact Nos. 6, 7 10 and 9 and his conclusion that the City intentionally violated its permit by reporting false results are amply supported by evidence in the record and should be adopted by the Commission in its 11 12 final order. 13 At issue in the City's exceptions is whether the City acted intentionally in submitting the 14 December 1998 discharge monitoring report. OAR 340-012-0030(9) defines "intentional" as 15 "conduct by a person with the conscious objective to cause the result of conduct." The City 16 contends that unless the treatment plant superintendent knew that the values he recorded on the 17 DMR were false, the conduct was not intentional. The City's intent is not, however, determined 18 by what the superintendent may or may not have believed about the relative accuracy of his self-
- The City need not have, and DEQ need not prove, a conscious objective to violate the law
- 21 in order to establish an intentional violation. See e.g., In the Matter of Pacific Air Helicopters,
- 22 Inc., 1997 WL 276631 (Or Env Qual Com. 1997)(an "intentional" violation "does not mean that
- 23 the [Respondent] had to intentionally violate the law, but only consciously engage in the conduct
- 24 that led to the violation."). It is undisputed that the results submitted to DEQ on the monitoring
- 25 report were not the actual test results derived when the City analyzed the December 9 and 17,

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described "estimates."

1 1998 BOD samples using Standard Method 5210B. The City concurs with Judge Betterton's

2 findings to that effect:

"[The treatment plant superintendent] knew that the results he recorded and submitted to DEQ for the BOD values for December 9 and 17, 1998 were not the actual test results he obtained when he did the 5-day BOD tests for the two days." (Proposed Finding No. 9, Proposed Order at 5).

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The evidence clearly supports the conclusion that the superintendent: (1) consciously prepared and signed the monitoring report for December 1998 on behalf of the City; (2)

8 consciously failed to report the actual results of the required monitoring; (3) consciously created

the BOD data submitted; and (4) consciously filed the monitoring report with DEQ, with no

10 notation reflecting that the BOD data on that report was generated by means other than the

11 required analytical methodology. (See Proposed Finding of Fact No. 9). That evidence is more

than sufficient to establish that the violation was intentional.

The City asserts that there is no evidence of intent to deceive or misrepresent the quality of the influent. In suggesting that proof of intent to deceive is necessary to support a finding of intentional violation, the City is effectively arguing that the Department should be held to the standard of proof for a flagrant violation. OAR 340-012-0030(7) defines "flagrant" as "any documented violation where Respondent has actual knowledge of the law and consciously set out to commit the violation." The Commission's intent to have "intentional" and "flagrant" represent two distinct mental states, could not be clearer. OAR 340-012-0045(1)(c)(D) provides for application of different aggravating factors for such violations: 6 in the case of an intentional violation and 10 in the case of a flagrant violation. DEQ is not arguing before the Commission that the violation was flagrant (despite ample support for such a theory) and should not be held to that standard.<sup>6</sup>

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<sup>25</sup> The City agrees that this finding is accurate (Exceptions and Brief at 9-10).

<sup>6</sup> In his testimony, the superintendent acknowledged that he knew that submitting false data is a violation. The
26 hearings officer found that the superintendent knew that the BOD data he submitted was inaccurate. "Wabschall
reported the test results that he knew were inaccurate....In this case that conduct entailed a conscious objective to

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1	The City also takes the position that it reported no test results and, as a consequence,
2	Judge Betterton erred in finding that the superintendent reported or intended to report test results,
3	and in concluding that the City reported false results. DEQ disagrees.
4	There is no dispute that the City submitted its monitoring report with the intent and
5	expectation that by doing so it was fulfilling its obligations under the permit. As more fully
6	summarized above, the permit requires the City to monitor BOD using specified procedures and
7	to report the results of that monitoring to DEQ on approved forms every month. (See Proposed
8	Finding of Fact No. 3.) In short, it was required to submit test results. By purporting to comply
9	with its permit by submitting a monitoring report for December 1998, in the standard form,
10	without any notation that the recorded values for BOD were merely estimates, and then
11	certifying that the information in its submission was "true, complete, and accurate," (See
12	Proposed finding of Fact No. 9 and 12), the City represented (or misrepresented) to DEQ that it
13	was submitting the required test results. Under these circumstances, the City cannot reasonably
14	claim that its submission should be treated as anything other than test results.
15	Much of the City's defense seems to be "good intentions." The difficulty with this
16	defense is readily apparent. The City is basically arguing that a permittee is entitled to alter or
17	adjust its monitoring results without alerting DEQ to the adjustment, based only on its belief,
18	whether well-founded or not, that its monitoring results are not accurate. Taking that argument
19	to its logical conclusion, determinations as to permit compliance would be based on the integrity
20	or intent of the person making the adjustment, rather than the actual quality of the wastewater
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22	report test results knowing the results were false or inaccurate." Proposed Order at 7. That is sufficient to support a conclusion that the violation was not only intentional, but also flagrant.
23	<sup>7</sup> The City relies on the purported Hobson's choice between knowingly submitting inaccurate information and providing a guess that it believes to be more representative. That dilemma is not real. Regardless of the cause of the
24	inaccuracy, the permit makes plain the permittee's obligation to provide accurate information and report noncompliance. General Conditions D.6 and D.7 require the permittee to report any noncompliance on the
25	monitoring report and to correct information if it becomes aware that it has submitted inaccurate information in an earlier report. (The obvious corollary being that the permittee should notify DEQ of inaccurate information if it is
26	already aware of a problem at the time the information is submitted). The City neither sought technical assistance from DEQ nor noted on the monitoring report that it believed the BOD results to be incorrect. (See Proposed Findings of Fact 11 and 12, to which the City does not take exception.)

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1 being discharged. Presumably, those permittees that are deemed to be well-intentioned (by what

2 standard is unclear) would not be in violation. That position is unsupportable. However well-

3 intentioned, adjustments to the actual test results constitute permit violations.

4 Moreover, the City's position wholly undermines the system of accurate self-reporting on which the NPDES program relies. As an initial matter, there is no evidence that the 6 superintendent's guess was accurate (or even more accurate than the test results). But even if his guess was accurate, one has to wonder why, in the opinion of an experienced treatment plant 8 supervisor, the actual BOD results were "wrong." As the City correctly notes, the relevant 9 wastestream is long gone and could not be retested. (Exceptions and Brief at 7.) By "self-10 correcting" the City deprived DEQ of the actual test results, which could have signaled, among other things, a problem with treatment plant operation or operator sampling techniques. By 12 masking the actual results, the City not only masked evidence of other potential permit compliance issues<sup>8</sup>, but also masked information that would have alerted DEO to the City's need

In sum, the Proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law with which the City takes exception are accurate statements of both the facts and the law. The Proposed Order should be finalized without revision.

for technical assistance with respect to its sampling methods or plant operations.

If, however, the Commission determines that any of the challenged findings or conclusions are not supported by evidence in the record, the appropriate consequence is not dismissal of the Notice, but modification of the Proposed Order. (See OAR 340-011-0132 (5) and 137-003-0665). It is undisputed that the City failed to submit the actual test results. In fact, the City itself takes the position that it did not submit any test results. (Exceptions and Brief at 10). The City cannot have it both ways. If it did not submit test results, which for the reasons discussed above it was required to do, the City still violated its permit on the dates and for the

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> See e.g. General Condition B.1, which requires proper operation and maintenance of the facility, including 26 "adequate lab controls, and appropriate quality assurance procedures."

1	reasons outlined in the Notice and Proposed Order. The Notice alleged a failure to report the
2	results of sample analysis for BOD and the evidence established this violation and the fact that it
3	was intentional. Thus, if the Commission determines that the challenged findings and
4	conclusion are inaccurate or incomplete, it need not dismiss the Notice but need only remand the
5	matter to the hearings officer for clarification.
6	CONCLUSION
7	For the reasons cited herein, the City's Exceptions should be denied and the Proposed
8	Order should be finalized.
9	DATED this day of December 2001.
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2	I certify that on December 2001, I filed the original Response of Oregon
3	Department of Environmental Quality To Petitioner's Exceptions and Brief To The Rulings and
4	Proposed Order of the Hearing Officer with the Environmental Quality Commission, c/o Mikell
5	O'Mealy, DEQ 811 SW Sixth Ave., Portland, OR 97204, by Personal Service.
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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE I hereby certify that on the \( \sum\_{\ell} \) day of December, 2001, I served a true, exact, and full copy of this Response of Oregon Department of Environmental Quality To Petitioner's Exceptions and Brief on the following party. Christopher L. Reive Jordan Schader P.O. Box 230669 Portland, OR 97281 day of December, 2001 Office of Compliance and Enforcement

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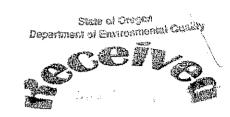


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November 21, 2001

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In the Matter of City of Scappoose Case No.: WQ/M-NWR-00-010 Our File No. 42629/30022

Dear Ms. O'Mealy:

CHRISTOPHER L. REIVE

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Enclosed and personally delivered for filing this date, November 21, 2001, is Petitioner's Exceptions and Brief to the Rulings and Proposed Order of Hearing Officer in the above-captioned matter.

Please file the enclosed pleadings immediately, complete the enclosed confirmation card and return the same to our office. If you have any questions in regard to this matter, please contact Debra Braddock, the paralegal assigned to this case.

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Very truly yours,

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City of Scappoose

#### 1 BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMMISSION 2 OF THE STATE OF OREGON Case No. WQ/M-NWR-00-010 3 In the Matter of: 4 Hearing Officer Panel Case No.: G60393 CITY OF SCAPPOOSE, 5 PETITIONER'S EXCEPTIONS AND BRIEF TO Petitioner THE RULINGS AND PROPOSED ORDER OF 6 HEARING OFFICER 7 Petitioner, City of Scappoose ("Scappoose"), hereby excepts from the rulings of 8 Administrative Law Judge Ken L. Betterton ("Judge Betterton") and to his Proposed Order 9 Assessing Civil Penalty, as detailed below and for the reasons stated below: 10 **EXCEPTIONS** 11 Scappoose excepts to: 12 1. Judge Betterton's failure to grant Scappoose's Motion to Dismiss the 13 Department's Notice of Violation No.1, which is the subject of the civil penalty the Department 14 seeks to impose, at the close of the Department's case for the reason that the Department failed to 15 give Scappoose the statutory warning required by ORS 468.126(1). 16 2. Judge Betterton's failure to grant Scappoose's Motion to Dismiss the 17 Department's Notice of Violation No.1, which is the subject of the civil penalty the Department 18 seeks to impose, at the close of the Department's case for the reason that the Department failed to 19 allege a claim in Section IV, Paragraph 1 for which relief may be granted. 20 3. Judge Betterton's Proposed Findings of Fact Nos. 6, 7, and 9, to the extent that 21 Judge Betterton declares as fact that Steven Wabschall reported or intended to report "test 22 results" for the data entries at issue in this case for the reason that said findings are not supported 23 by the evidence in the hearing record. 24 Judge Betterton's Proposed Conclusion of Law No.1, that Scappose

"intentionally" reported "false results on its discharge monitoring report for December 1998,"

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1	thereby violating "a condition" of its NPDES permit for the reason that said conclusion is not
2	supported by the evidence in the hearing record or by the Proposed Findings of Fact.
3	DESIGNATION OF RECORD ON APPEAL
4	Scappoose hereby designates all exhibits admitted by Judge Betterton; the audio tapes of
5	the contested case hearing conducted on January 11, 2001 and July 25, 2001; and all pleadings
6	and written submissions of the parties filed prior to Judge Betterton's Proposed Order dated
7	September 21, 2001.
8	DISCUSSION
9	Summary of Issues on Appeal
10	It is undisputed that Scappoose was not given five (5) days' advance warning, in writing,
11	from the Department specifying the violation prior to the subject penalty assessment. It is also
12	undisputed that such prior warning is required as a matter of law unless the Department is
13	entitled to a statutory excuse. The core of this dispute, and this appeal, is whether the
14	Department ever pleaded or, more importantly, proved it was entitled to such an excuse.
15	The excuse the Department relied on at the contested case hearing before Judge Betterton
16	was its contention that Scappoose, through its employee Steven Wabschall, intended to report
17	false test results to DEQ on Scappoose's regular discharge monitoring report for
18	December 1998. As discussed below, the evidence and Proposed Findings of Fact do not
19	support this conclusion, and in any event, the Department's allegations before the hearing and
20	through the close of the Department's case did not properly assert its true claim. As a result, the
21	case should have been dismissed at the close of the Department's case.
22	Exception Nos. 1 and 2, above, were presented to Judge Betterton by written motion at
23	the close of the Department's case. Judge Betterton denied Scappoose's motions. For the
24	reasons stated below, Judge Betterton was wrong as a matter of law. It is important to note that,
25	in spite of Scappoose's motion, the Department has never moved to amend or otherwise correct

1	what Scappoose asserts herein are substantive pleading deficiencies. Therefore, if the
2	Commission agrees that the Department failed to give Scappoose the notice to which it was
3	entitled as a matter of law, there is no correction available and the matter must be dismissed
4	Exception Nos. 3 and 4, above, address the core substantive issue before the Commission
5	on appeal. Judge Betterton concludes that Mr. Wabschall intended to report "false results" when
6	he entered the information requested by the discharge monitoring report form used by Scappoose
7	and approved by the Department. This conclusion is not supported by the testimony of any
8	witness, is directly controverted by the testimony of Mr. Wabschall, and is contrary to Judge
.9	Betterton's Proposed Findings of Fact. To the extent circumstantial evidence was offered and
10	considered at the hearing, Mr. Wabschall's testimony regarding his training and state of mind
11	was directly supported by Scappoose witness Holly Ploetz. The Department offered nothing to
12	contradict her testimony. Indeed, the Department offered no testimony at all regarding
13	Mr. Wabschall's actual state of mind because the Department seems to feel that the entire case is
14	answered by the documents now in the record; that proof of Mr. Wabschall's state of mind is not
15	important. For the obvious reasons stated below, the Department is wrong.
16	1. Advance Notice Requirement.
17	ORS 468.126(1) requires the Department to give Scappoose five (5) days' advance
18	warning in writing before any civil penalty can be assessed against it, subject only to the
19	exceptions set out in ORS 468.126(2). These statutes provide in pertinent part:
20	(1) No civil penalty proscribed under ORS 468.140 shall be imposed for a violation of an air, water or solid waste permit
21	issued by the Department of Environmental Quality until the permittee has received five (5) days' advance warning in writing
22	from the Department, specifying the violation and stating that a penalty will be imposed for the violation unless the permittee
23	submits the following to the Department in writing within five (5) working days after receipt of the advanced warning
24	* * *
25	(2) No advance notice shall be required under subsection (1) of this section if:

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1			(a) The violation is intentional;
2	ORS 468.126	ó.	
3	ORS	183.09	0 provides that an agency may only impose a civil penalty after giving
4	notice to the	person a	against whom such a penalty is being imposed in accordance with the
5	provisions se	t forth i	n ORS 183.415. ORS 183.415(1) requires that in contested cases all parties
6	shall be affor	ded an	opportunity for hearing after reasonable notice, served personally or by
7	registered or	certified	1 mail. ORS 183.415(2) requires that such notice include:
8 9		(a)	a statement of the party's right to hearing or a statement of the time and place of the hearing;
10		(b)	a statement of the authority and jurisdiction under which the hearing is to be held;
11	I	(c)	a reference to the particular sections of the statutes and rules involved; and
12		(d)	a short and plain statement of the matters asserted or charged.
14	This Commission has declared that the failure to give adequate notice to adverse parties		
15	in Departmen	t enforc	ement actions requires dismissal of those actions. For example, in the
16	matter of DEQ v. Bill R. Labenske, Jr., dba Guarantee Construction, 1989 WL 12077 (1989), the		
17	Respondent a	ppealed	a Notice of Assessment of Civil Penalty and the EQC dismissed because
18	the Departme	nt faile	to provide five (5) days' advance notice of its intent to assess a penalty as
19	required by th	e statut	e. The EQC held further that the Department did not establish an exception
20	to its duty to p	orovide	five (5) days' notice in that it failed to allege or prove an intentional
21	violation excu	ising its	duty.
22	Simila	rly, and	I more directly on point to this case, in the matter of DEQ v. Neu-Glo
23	Candles, Inc.,	1988 V	VL 163165 (1988), the Department issued a Notice of Assessment of Civil
24	Penalty allegi	ng viola	ation of five provisions of its former rules relating to Emission Standards
25	and Procedura	al Requi	irements for Asbestos Abatement. The Respondent answered the notice,

1	denied the allegations and requested a hearing. The decision, following a hearing before the		
2	EQC, declared that Respondent was not liable as cited for the violations nor for a civil penalty,		
3	because the Department did not provide five (5) days' advance notice that a penalty would be		
4	imposed and was not excused from its duty to provide such advance notice. Moreover, for those		
5	claims where the Department failed to even plead such an excuse in its Notice of Assessment, the		
6	claims were deficient and judgment was entered for the Respondent. The EQC declared in		
7	relevant part:		
8	DEQ did not provide 5 days' advance notice. Therefore, DEQ must prove its duty to provide the notice was excused.		
9	DEQ has a further notice burden. It is to allege in its		
10	assessment document a statement of its intent to rely on a		
11	statutory exception to its duty to provide advance notice.  ORS 183.415(2) provides that the assessment document must		
12	include:		
13	(c) A reference to the particular sections of the statutes and rules involved; and		
14	(d) A short and plain statement of the matters asserted or changed. ORS 183.415(2)(c)(d).		
15	DEQ did allege but did not attempt to prove the exception		
16	contained in ORS 468.125(2)(b). DEQ did not allege the exception in ORS 468.125(2)(e) for penalties involving asbestos		
17	fiber releases. By failing to allege ORS 468.125(2)(e) DEQ failed to satisfy the duties imposed by ORS 183.415(2)(c)(d) and cannot		
18	gain the benefit from that exception.  * * *		
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20	Similarly, the Agency is obliged to affirmatively allege its basis for avoiding the statutory notice requirement.		
21	* * *		
22	In short, DEQ did not provide advance notice as required by ORS 468.125(1), did not prove the excuse from notice which it		
23	alleged, did not allege the excuse authorized by ORS 468.125(2) (e), and bore a duty to give notice pursuant to OAR 340-12-040.		
24	Consequently, even if DEQ had proved a violation of OAR 340-25-465(4)(a), 340-25-465(4)(b)(A), 340-25-465(10)(e), 340-25-465(10)(b)(B) and 340-25-465(d)(A) in effect at the time		
25	of the violation, notice failures would preclude exaction of a penalty.		

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1	Id, 1988 WL 163165 at 3-4 (emphasis added, citations and footnotes omitted). See also,			
2	DEQ v. Elliott-Jochimsen Construction, Inc., 1988 WL 167438 (1988), and DEQ v. Thomas H.			
3	Scott, 1990 WL 283207 (1990).			
4	Section IV of the Department's Notice of Violation seeks to impose a civil penalty for			
. 5	one of the four violations alleged therein - Section IV, Paragraph 1 ("Violation No.1"), which			
6	quoted below:			
7	1. On or about December 9 and 17, 1998, Respondent violated ORS 468B.025(2) by violating a condition of its Permit.			
8 9	Specifically, Respondent violated Schedule B, Condition 1, of its Permit by failing to report the results of sample analysis [sic] for biological oxygen demand. Respondent intentionally reported			
10	false sample results on its Discharge Monitoring Report. These are Class I violations pursuant to OAR 340-012-0055(l)(m).			
11	It is undisputed that the Department has not alleged any excuse or exception to its			
12	obligation to give Scappoose 5 days' advance notice prior to attempting to assess a civil penalty			
13	While the Department has alleged (but has not proved) Scappooses' intent to report false sampl			
14	results on the discharge monitoring report, the Department did not plead that as a basis for			
15	excuse from the notice requirement. Indeed, DEQ does not allege anywhere in its Notice of			
16	Violation that it is relying on any exception to the five (5) day notice requirement.			
17	The EQC declared in Neu-Glo Candles, Inc. that the Department must "allege in its			
18	assessment document a statement of its intent to rely on a statutory exception to its duty to			
19	provide advance notice" or its claim is deficient and no penalty may be assessed. The			
20	Department did not do this at any time prior to the conclusion of its case, and its attempt to			
21	assess a civil penalty must be dismissed.			
22	2. Failure to allege conduct that violates Scappoose's permit.			
23	The Department alleged a failure to report test results for biological oxygen demand			
24	(BOD) and specifically alleged that this conduct, if proved, violates "Schedule B, Condition 1"			
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2 does not impose such a requirement. Schedule B, Condition 1 of the Scappoose permit contains minimum monitoring and 3 reporting frequencies and sample types for the facility's influent and outfall. Schedule B, 4 5 Condition 2 requires that *monitoring* results be reported on approved forms, such as the 6 discharge monitoring report. Neither Condition of Schedule B, nor any other permit provision, 7 mandates reporting of sample analyses results. This distinction is not mere semantics. 8 The factual record in this case is undisputed that the BOD test results for the dates at 9 issue were not accurate and invalid. Judge Betterton's Findings of Fact Nos. 6 and 7 reflect this; 10 for example, he declares as fact that "Wabschall knew a BOD value of 38.8 mg/L was too low 11 for the two tests he had run." Proposed Finding of Fact No. 7. Indeed, the evidence at hearing 12 was undisputed that the BOD test results at issue in this case were invalid because they failed to 13 meet the testing standards required by the permit. No one knows today why this occurred, but 14 causes like laboratory error, sampling error, equipment failure, or any of several other possible 15 causes for testing failure could be the reason. 16 The BOD test takes no less than five days to obtain results. Therefore, by the time a 17 BOD test failure is known, the waste stream being sampled is long gone. Yet, there may be 18 other reasonably reliable methods available to the permit holder, based on other monitoring 19 methods employed at the facility, that allow a more accurate report of the quality of the material 20 that was sampled. The situation then faced by the permit holder is irreconcilable; it either reports 21 a sample analysis result that it knows is not correct and thereby knowingly provides an 22 inaccurate report of the quality of the material it sampled, or it can more accurately report the 23 quality of the material based on all of the monitoring information available to it. The 24 Department asserts there is a third option; to report the actual test result and highlight it in some 25 way to identify it as an invalid value. It is undisputed, however, that nothing on the face of the

of the Scappoose NPDES permit. It is undisputed that Schedule B, Condition 1 of the permit

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1	approved form allows or provides for this third option, there is no written guidance from the				
2	2 Department that addresses this circumstance and none of the options are clearly mandated by the				
3	permit, despite the Department's claims in this case.				
4	The distinct differences in the permit language of Schedule B, Conditions 1 and 2, above				
5	are reasonably interpreted to allow the permitee to rely on all of the monitoring data available to				
6	it to accurately report the quality of the material it is testing. Indeed, the "form" referenced by				
7	Condition 2 and at issue in this case contains the following certification, which the Department				
8	requires a representative of the permitee to sign. The certification is cited by Judge Betterton at				
9	Proposed Finding of Fact No. 9:				
10	I certify under penalty of law that I have personal examines (sic) and am familiar with information submitted herein and based on				
11	my inquire of those individuals immediately responsible for				
12	true accurate and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information including the possibility				
13	of fine and imprisonment (emphasis added).				
14	The undisputed factual record shows that Scappoose monitored and reported the quality				
15	of influent and outfall on the approved form with the intent of conveying as accurate a				
16	representation of that quality as was possible under the circumstances. And that accurate report				
17	was, in fact, conveyed. Judge Betterton acknowledged this in his Proposed Finding of Fact				
18	No. 6:				
19	Wabschall knew, based on his TSS test result, that a BOD value of 25.3 mg/L was too low. He recorded the 5-day BOD test result of				
20	100 mg/L, based on his estimate of what he believed the BOD result should have been, given the TSS result of 94 mg/L he				
21	reported for December 9, 1998.				
22	In sum, the Department's allegation of what Schedule B, Condition 1 requires is				
23	inaccurate. Specifically, nothing in that permit Condition declares a requirement to report the				
24	results of "sample analyses." The result is that the Department has not stated a claim for which				
25	the relief sought can be granted and the violation alleged in Section IV, Paragraph 1 must be				
	dismissed.				
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RULINGS AND PROPOSED ORDER OF HEARING

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Proposed Finding of Fact No. 8. <sup>2</sup> Proposed Finding of Fact No. 9.

1	The above sentence was carefully crafted, and Scappoose agrees that it is true.			
2	Mr. Wabschall reported "results," not "test results." Nothing on the discharge monitoring report			
3	form references 'test results,' Mr. Wabschall wanted to be accurate, and he thought of no way to			
4	follow the form of the discharge monitoring report and use the invalid lab data he had received.			
5	So, he intentionally reported "results" he believed more accurately represented the quality of the			
6	influent he tested on those days. He gleaned the results he reported from other, more accurate,			
7	reported test data. Judge Betterton found these to be the facts.			
8	It is also undisputed that Mr. Wabschall believed the results he reported was			
9	information <sup>3</sup> he was required to report in the discharge monitoring report, that the information			
10	was accurate and correct, and all of the "sample analyses" on which the information was based			
11	was maintained and available to the Department at all times. On these facts, Judge Betterton's			
12	Proposed Conclusion of Law No. 1 is not in accord with his own findings and the undisputed			
13	record now before the Commission.			
14	The Department defines "intentional" as "conduct by a person with a conscious objective			
15	to cause the result of the conduct." OAR 340-012-0030(9). The only finding of a "conscious			
16	objective" of Scappoose personnel is Proposed Finding of Fact No. 8, which declares			
17	Mr. Wabschall's "belief" that he was accurately reporting the quality of the facility's influent.			
18	There is absolutely no proof offered of any intent to deceive or misrepresent that quality. In light			
19	of these express findings, there is no basis for Judge Betterton to conclude			
20	there was an intent to report "false results." Indeed, the referenced findings must lead the			
21	Commission to exactly the opposite conclusion.			
22	On this record, Scappoose respectfully excepts to Judge Betterton's Proposed Conclusion			
23	of Law No. 1, and seeks dismissal of the Department's Notice of Assessment of Civil Penalty,			
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25	The term "information" is used in the language of certification on the discharge monitoring report. There is no reference to "results," "test results," or "sample analysis" in the certification signed by Mr. Wabschall.			

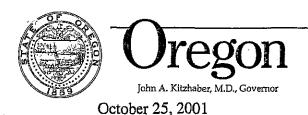
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1	Section IV, Paragraph 1 for its failure to prove the intent required by law to excuse it from the		
2	statutory warning requirement of ORS 468.126(1).		
3	Dated this 21st day of November, 2001.		
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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE 1 2 I hereby certify that I served the foregoing RESPONDENT'S EXCEPTIONS AND BRIEF TO THE RULINGS AND PROPOSED ORDER OF HEARING OFFICER . 4 on the following party: 5 Jeff Bachman 6 Department of Environmental Quality **Enforcement Section** 2020 SW 4th Ave Ste 400 7 Portland OR 97201-4987 8 by hand delivering a true copy thereof to said party on the date stated below. 9 DATED: November 21, 2001. 10 11 Christopher L. Reive, OSB #83305 12 (503) 598 \$7070 13 Of Attorneys for Respondent City of Scappoose 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24

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Department of Environmental Quality

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Christopher L. Reive Jordan Schrader P.O. Box 230669 Portland, OR 97281

RE: Appeal to Environmental Quality Commission

Dear Mr. Reive,

On October 22, 2001, the Environmental Quality Commission received your timely request for administrative review by the Commission in DEQ Case No. WQ/M-NWR-00-010.

Pursuant to OAR 340-011-0132, you must file exceptions and brief within thirty days from the filing of the request. The exceptions should specify those findings and conclusions that you object to and include alternative proposed findings. Once your exceptions have been received, the Department will file its answer brief within 30 days. I have enclosed a copy of the applicable administrative rules.

To file exceptions and briefs, please send documents to Mikell O'Mealy, Assistant to the Environmental Quality Commission, at 811 S.W. 6th Avenue, Portland, Oregon, 97204 with copies to Jeff Bachman, Department of Environmental Quality, at the same address.

After the parties file exceptions and briefs, this item will be set for Commission consideration at a regularly scheduled Commission meeting, and the parties will be notified of the date and location. If you have any questions on this process, or need additional time to file exceptions and briefs, please call me at 229-5301 or (800) 452-4011 ext. 5301 within the state of Oregon.

Sincerely,

Mikell O'Mealy

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Assistant to the Commission

cc: Jeff Bachman, DEQ

## Oregon Administrative Rules 340-011-0132

# Alternative Procedure for Entry of a Final Order in Contested Cases Resulting from Appeal of Civil Penalty Assessments

- (1) Commencement of Review by the Commission:
- (a) Copies of the hearing officer's Order will be served on each of the participants in accordance with OAR 340-011-0097. The hearing officer's Order will be the final order of the Commission unless within 30 days from the date of service, a participant or a member of the Commission files with the Commission and serves upon each participant a Petition for Commission Review. A proof of service should also be filed, but failure to file a proof of service will not be a ground for dismissal of the Petition.
- (b) The timely filing of a Petition is a jurisdictional requirement and cannot be waived.
- (c) The timely filing of a Petition will automatically stay the effect of the hearing officer's Order.
- (d) In any case where more than one participant timely serves and files a Petition, the first to file will be the Petitioner and the latter the Respondent.
- (2) Contents of the Petition for Commission Review. A Petition must be in writing and need only state the participant's or a Commissioner's intent that the Commission review the hearing officer's Order.
- (3) Procedures on Review:
- (a) Petitioner's Exceptions and Brief: Within 30 days from the filing of the Petition, the Petitioner must file with the Commission and serve upon each participant written exceptions, brief and proof of service. The exceptions must specify those findings and conclusions objected to, and also include proposed alternative findings of fact, conclusions of law, and order with specific references to the parts of the record upon which the Petitioner relies. Matters not raised before the hearing officer will not be considered except when necessary to prevent manifest injustice.
- (b) Respondent's Brief: Each participant will have 30 days from the date of filing of the Petitioner's exceptions and brief, in which to file with the Commission and serve upon each participant an answering brief and proof of service. If multiple Petitions have been filed, the Respondent must also file exceptions as required in (3)(a) at this time.
- (c) Reply Brief: Each participant will have 20 days from the date of filing of a Respondent's brief, in which to file with the Commission and serve upon each participant a reply brief and proof of service.
- (d) Briefing on Commission Invoked Review: When one or more members of the Commission wish to review a hearing officer's Order, and no participant has timely filed a Petition, the Chairman will promptly notify the participants of the issue that the Commission desires the participants to brief. The Chairman will also establish the schedule for filing of briefs. The participants must limit their briefs to those issues. When the Commission wishes to review a hearing officer's Order and a participant also requested review, briefing will follow the schedule set forth in subsections (a), (b), and (c) of this section.
- (e) Extensions: The Chairman or the Director, may extend any of the time limits contained in this rule except for the filing of a Petition under subsection (1) of this rule. Each extension request must be in writing and be served upon each participant. Any request for an extension may be granted or denied in whole or in part.



Formerly
Tarlow Jordan & Schrader

## FIRST CLASS AND CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

October 18, 2001



Stephanie Hallock, Director Department of Environmental Quality 811 SW 6th St Portland OR 97204

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOF

Re:

**Petition for Commission Review** 

Hearing Officer Panel Case No.: G60393

Agency Case No.: WQ/M-NWR-00-010, Columbia County

Our File No. 42629/30022

Dear Ms. Hallock:

CHRISTOPHER L. REIVE

Admitted
Oregon and Washington

Enclosed for filing in connection with the above-referenced matter is Respondent's Petition for Commission Review, together with Exhibit "A" and Certificate of Service with respect thereto.

Very truly yours,

JORDAN SCHRADER

Direct Dial 503.598.5544

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Christopher L. Reive

Enclosures

cc w/enc.:

City of Scappoose

Steve Wabschall Jerry Gilham

1	BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMMISSION			
2	OF THE STATE OF OREGON			
3	In the Matter of:	)	) Case No. WQ/M-NWR-00-010	
4	CITY OF SCAPPOOSE,	. )	) Hearing Officer Panel Case No.: G60393	
5	Respondent.	) )	) · RESPONDENT'S PETITION FOR COMMISSION ) REVIEW	
6		) )	) )	
7	Pursuant to Oregon Administrati	ve Rule	e 340-011-0132, respondent City of Scappoose	
8	hereby requests that the Environmental (	Quality (	Commission review the hearing officer's	
9 10	Proposed Order in the above-referenced case, dated and served by mail on September 21, 2001.			
10	A copy of the subject Proposed Order is attached hereto as Exhibit "A."			
12	Dated this 18th day of October, 2	001.	, A <sup>37</sup>	
13 14 15			JORDAN SCHRADER Attorneys for Respondent	
16			By: Christopher L. Reive, OSB #83305	
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STATE OF OREGON Before the Hearing Officer Panel

For the

Case Type: DEQ

#### DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

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## HEARING DECISION

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The following HEARING DECISION was served to the parties at their respective addresses.

EXHIBIT A

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# STATE OF OREGON BEFORE THE HEARING OFFICER PANEL FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF:	)	PROPOSED ORDER
City of Scappoose,	)	Hearing Officer Panel Case No. G60393 Agency Case No. WQ/M-NWR-00-010
Respondent.	)	COLUMBIA COUNTY

#### HISTORY OF THE CASE

The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) issued a Notice of Violation, Department Order, and Assessment of Civil Penalty pursuant to Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS), ORS 468.126 through 468.140, ORS Chapter 183, and Oregon Administrative Rules (OAR), OAR Chapter 340, Divisions 11 and 12, to Respondent City of Scappoose (City) on April 18, 2000.

The notice alleges (1) that on or about December 9 and 17, 1998 respondent violated ORS 468B.025(2) by violating a condition (Schedule B, Condition 1) of its National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit by failing to report the results of sample analysis for biochemical oxygen demand by intentionally reporting false sample results on its discharge monitoring report; (2) that on or about September 16, 1999 respondent violated ORS 468B.025(2) by violating Schedule B, Condition 1b of its permit by failing to maintain the accuracy of its flowmeter through twice annual calibration; (3) that on or about July 6, 10 and 20, 1998 respondent violated ORS 468B.025(2) by violating General Condition B.1 of its permit by failing to provide adequate laboratory controls and appropriate quality assurance procedures; and (4) that on or about December 9 and 17, 1998 respondent violated ORS 468B.025(2) by violating General Condition B.1 of its permit by failing to provide adequate laboratory controls and appropriate quality assurance procedures. DEQ also requested a department order in its notice that respondent submit for review and approval within 120 days a comprehensive quality assurance plan for all data generated at the respondent's wastewater facility. The notice seeks assessment of a civil penalty against respondent in the amount of \$12,000 for the violation set forth in allegation (1) in the notice.

Respondent filed an answer to the notice of violations on May 8, 2000, in which respondent denied the allegations and the magnitude of the penalty.

A telephone pre hearing conference with the parties was held on November 1, 2000.

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A hearing was held in Scappoose, Oregon on January 11, 2001 before Ken L. Betterton, administrative law judge. Jeff Bachman, environmental law specialist, represented DEQ. Christopher L. Reive, attorney at law, represented respondent. James Sheetz and Robert Baumgarter testified as witnesses for DEQ. Holly Ploetz testified as a witness for respondent. At the end of DEQ's case, respondent filed written motions to dismiss or for directed verdict to DEQ's notice. The hearing was continued to give DEQ time to file a written response to the motions. DEQ filed its response on February 22, 2001. Respondent filed its reply to DEQ's response on March 1, 2001. On March 14, 2001 I issued a written decision denying all of respondent's motions.

A telephone pre hearing conference with the parties was held on May 29, 2001.

A further hearing conference with the parties was held on July 25, 2001 in Portland, Oregon. Jeff Bachman represented DEQ. Christopher Reive represented respondent. Steve Wabschall testified as a witness for respondent. DEQ filed its written closing argument on August 10, 2001. Respondent filed its written closing argument on August 17, 2001. I then closed the record and took the matter under advisement.

Respondent admitted it committed the violations in allegations (2), (3) and (4) in the notice, for which DEQ did not seek a civil penalty. The parties also stipulated that respondent has met the requirements of the department order.

The only remaining issue to be addressed in this decision is allegation (1), whether on or about December 9 and 17, 1998 respondent violated ORS 468B.025(2) by violating Schedule B, Condition 1 of its permit by intentionally reporting false sample results on its discharge monitoring report, and if so, what civil penalty should be imposed.

#### **EVIDENTIARY RULING**

Hearing officer Exhibits A and D, Exhibit 2, and Exhibits 101 through 117 and 119 were admitted into the record without objection. DEQ withdrew Exhibit 1. DEQ objected to Exhibit 118 on relevancy grounds. Exhibit 118 is relevant. I overruled the objection and admitted Exhibit 118 into the record.

#### **ISSUES**

- (1) Whether respondent violated a condition of its NPDES permit by intentionally reporting false test results on its discharge monitoring report.
- (2) If respondent intentionally reported false test results, whether its conduct was flagrant.
- (3) If respondent intentionally reported false results, what civil penalty should be imposed.

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

(1) DEQ issued a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Waste Discharge (NPDES) permit under the Federal Clean Water Act to the City of Scappoose (City) on September 29, EXHIBIT

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- 1992. The NPDES permit allowed the City to construct, install, modify or operate a wastewater collection, treatment, control and disposal system and discharge adequately treated wastewater to public waters. (Exhibit 101.) The City has operated under the NPDES permit since September 1992.
- (2) The City owns and operates a municipal wastewater treatment plant that provides domestic wastewater treatment for the City, and for industrial wastewater from Steinfeld's Pickles, a pickle processing facility that is connected to the City's wastewater collection system. The City discharges treated wastewater, or effluent, into the Multnomah channel of the Willamette River. (Id.) The City had about 4,130 residents in 1996. The pickle processing plant operates seasonally with the heaviest discharge into the system in the fall of the year. Most of the wastewater the City treats is from domestic waste.
- (3) The NPDES permit requires the City to monitor and report biochemical oxygen demand (BOD) and total suspended solids (TSS) at least twice a week by means of a composite sample technique. (Id., Schedule B.) The BOD determination is an empirical test in which standardized laboratory procedures are used to determine the relative oxygen requirements of wastewater, effluent, and polluted waters. (Exhibit 102, Appendix D at 1.) Monitoring results must be reported on approved forms. The reporting period is each calendar month. Reports for a calendar month must be submitted to DEQ by the 15th day of the following month. (Exhibit 101 at paragraph 2.) Monitoring reports must include the name of each principal operator designated by the permittee (i.e., the City) as responsible for supervising the system during the reporting period. (Id.) Although monitoring reports must be submitted on approved forms, DEQ does not provide a specific form for permittees to use. Permittees are free to design or create their own report forms. The permittee must at all times properly operate and maintain all facilities and systems of treatment and control that they install or use to achieve compliance with the conditions of the permit. (Id., General Condition B.) The permit requires appropriate flow measurement devices and methods consistent with accepted scientific practices to be selected and used to ensure the accuracy and reliability of measurements of the volume of monitored discharges. The devices must be installed, calibrated and maintained to ensure that the accuracy of the measurements is consistent with the accepted capability of that type of device. (Id., Section C.) The permit requires that monitoring be conducted according to test procedures approved under 40 CFR Part 136, unless other test procedures have been specified in the permit. (Id.) No other test procedure was specified in the City's permit. Any person who knowingly

2. Apparatus

a. Incubation bottles: Use glass bottles having 60 mL or greater capacity (300 mL bottles having a ground-glass stopper and a flared mouth are preferred). \* \* \*.

\* \* \* \* \* . (Exhibit 102, Appendix D at 3.)

EXHIBIT A

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 40 CFR Part 136—Standard Method 5210 B. 5-Day BOD Test provides:

<sup>1.</sup> General Discussion

a. Principle: The method consists of filling with sample, to overflowing, an airtight bottle of the specified size and incubating it at the specified temperature for 5 d [i.e., days]. Dissolved oxygen is measured initially and after incubation, and the BOD is computed from the difference between initial and final DO. Because the initial DO is determined shortly after the dilution is made, all oxygen uptake occurring after this measurement is included in the BOD measurement.

b. Sampling and storage: Samples for BOD analysis may degrade significantly during storage between collection and analysis, resulting in low BOD values. \*\*\*.

makes any false statement, representation or certification in any record or other document submitted or required to be maintained under the permit, including monitoring reports, is subject to a fine or imprisonment or both. (*Id.*, Section D, paragraph 9.)

- (4) Steve Wabschall (Wabschall) has worked for the City for 24 years. He has served as superintendent of the City's wastewater treatment plant for 15 years. Wabschall supervises a staff of three individuals. Wabschall possesses a water supply certification and two wastewater certifications. Wabschall has had no enforcement actions brought against him as plant superintendent from DEQ or from the federal government.
- (5) On September 16, 1999 DEQ environmental engineer James Sheetz (Sheetz) conducted an unannounced NPDES permit inspection of the City's wastewater treatment plant. Sheetz did the inspection as part of his regular job duties, and as part of the City's NPDES permit renewal process. NPDES permits are good for five years. Although the City's permit had not been renewed by 1999, the 1992 permit remained in force until it was renewed or cancelled. DEQ tries to inspect all permittees every five years, but funding and staff workload makes it difficult to adhere strictly to a five year inspection schedule. The NPDES waste discharge permit system and DEQ rely on permittees to monitor their own systems, based on accurate input data and monitoring reports. Sheetz last inspected the City's wastewater treatment plant in 1994, although that inspection was not a compliance inspection.
- (6) Sheetz's inspection on September 16, 1999 lasted about five and one-half hours. Sheetz talked to Wabschall, observed the plant in operation, reviewed plant records and collected samples. Sheetz selected 1998 operating records for review, and selected the months of July and December 1998 for inspection. Sheetz chose the records for December 9 and 17, 1998 for examination in detail. Sheetz found no discrepancies for December 9 and 17, 1998 for the TSS bench data. The City recorded its sample test results on "bench sheets" contemporaneously with when it conducted its tests. (See Exhibit 106, 107.) Wabschall and the City created its own form of bench sheet to record its monthly data to be transferred later to the monthly discharge monitoring reports (DMR) to be filed with DEQ. Wabschall recorded two influent dilution tests for December 9, 1998 to measure 5-day BOD. The start date for the test was December 9, 1998 and the stop date for the test was December 14, 1998. (Exhibit 106.) The average BOD value for the two dilution tests Wabschall ran was 25.3 mg/L.<sup>2</sup> (Id.) Wabschall did not record 25.3 mg/L for the BOD result on his bench sheet. Instead, he recorded a BOD result of 100 mg/L on the bench sheet for December 9, 1998. (Id.) Wabschall mistakenly recorded the value in the DO Depletion column on the bench sheet, rather than the BOD column on the form, like he should have done. (Id.) Wabschall knew, based on his TSS test result, that a BOD value of 25.3 mg/L was too low. He recorded the 5-day BOD test result of 100 mg/L, based on his estimate of what he believed the BOD result should have been, given the TSS result of 94 mg/L he reported for December 9, 1998. Wabschall did not make any note or comment on the bench sheet for the BOD value for December 9, 1998 that his recorded result of 100 mg/L was an estimate. (Id.)

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The first influent sample had an initial DO of 8.49 and a final DO of 8.20. The DO Depletion for the first sample should have been 29 mg/L [8.49 - 8.20 = .20 x 100 = 29 mg/L]. The second influent sample had an initial DO of 8.46 and a final DO of 8.03. The DO Depletion for the second sample should have been 21.5 mg/L [8.46 - 8.03 = .43 x 50 (adjusted for a different concentration) = 21.5 mg/L]. The average for the two tests was 25.3 (29 + 21.5 divided by 2).

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Wabschall used a glass bottle having a capacity of 303 mL for the volume to conduct the test. The commonly accepted capacity of the bottle to conduct the test is 300 mL.

- (7) Sheetz also examined the bench sheet for December 17, 1998. Wabschall recorded two influent dilution tests for December 17, 1998 to measure the 5-day BOD. The start date for the test was December 17, 1998, and the stop date for the test was December 22, 1998. (Exhibit 107.) The average BOD value for the two dilution tests Wabschall ran was 38.8 mg/L. (Id.) Wabschall did not record 38.8 mg/L for a BOD result on his bench sheet. Instead, he recorded a BOD value of 60 mg/L on the bench sheet for December 17, 1998. (Id.) Wabschall mistakenly recorded the value of 60 in the DO Depletion column on the bench sheet, rather than in the BOD column like he should have done. (Id.) Wabschall knew a BOD value of 38.8 mg/L was too low for the two tests he had run. He reported the result of 60 mg/L for BOD based on his estimate of what he believed the BOD result should have been, given the TSS result of 84 mg/L he reported for December 17, 1998. Wabschall did not make any note or comment on the BOD bench sheet for December 17, 1998 that his recorded result of 60 mg/L was an estimate. (Id.) Wabschall used a glass bottle having a capacity of 303 mL for the volume to conduct the test. The commonly accepted capacity of the bottle to conduct the test is 300 mL.
- (8) Wabschall estimated the BOD value from his TSS result based on his belief that a correlation exists between BOD and TSS results. Wabschall based his belief on design estimates used by engineers to calculate capacity for the construction of new wastewater plants that he had read about in a textbook he used in a wastewater class he once took at a local community college. Wabschall used no specific formula to make the estimates of BOD results from TSS that he recorded and reported to DEQ.
- (9) Wabschall prepared and signed the DMR on behalf of the respondent for December 1998. (Exhibit 112.) He filed the DMR with DEQ on January 11, 1999. Wabschall recorded the BOD results of 100 mg/L for December 9, 1998 and 60 mg/L for December 17, 1998 on the DMR for December 1998. (Id.) Wabschall knew those test results were not the correct results from the data he obtained when he ran tests for both dates. Wabschall did not write anywhere on the DMR that his reported BOD results were estimates. (Id.) The DMR contains certification language near the signature line at the bottom of the form where Wabschall signed his name. (Id.) The certification reads:

"I certify under penalty of law that I have personal examines (sic) and am familiar with information submitted herein and based on my inquire of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information I believe the submitted information is true and accurate and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information including the possibility of fine and imprisonment." (Id.)

Wabschall knew that the results he recorded and submitted to DEQ for the BOD values for December 9 and 17, 1998 were not the actual test results he obtained when he did the 5-day BOD tests for the two days.

(10) On September 22, 1999 Sheetz telephoned Wabschall with questions about the DMR for December 1998 and the bench sheet records Sheetz had inspected on September 16, 1999.

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Wabschall told Sheetz that he knew the BOD values he wrote on the bench sheet for December 9 and 17, 1998, and that he later recorded on the DMR for December 1998, were too low.<sup>3</sup>

- (11) DEQ offers technical assistance to permittees to help them conduct their tests and report test results. Wabschall did not seek any assistance from DEQ to complete the DMR for December 1998, nor did he ask for assistance from DEQ on how to conduct BOD tests or how to track down what happened that caused the inaccurate test results he obtained.
- (12) Wabschall did not make any notes or comments on the DMR he submitted to DEQ for December 1998 that his recorded values for BOD were estimates. He did not record anywhere on the DMR the actual test results he had obtained, with notes or comments that he believed his test results were incorrect. If the City through Wabschall had made notes or comments to DEQ on the DMR, or on any other document, that his reported values were estimates, DEQ would not have sought to assess a civil penalty against the City for those test results.
- (13) DEQ did a study of the City's wastewater treatment plant records for January 1998 through December 1998 in connection with preparing the Notice of Violation, and found no correlation between TSS and BOD values that would enable an individual accurately to estimate a BOD result from an actual TSS result. (Exhibit 2.)

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- (1) Respondent City of Scappoose violated a condition of its NPDES permit by intentionally reporting false results on its discharge monitoring report for December 1998.
- (2) Respondent's conduct was not flagrant.
- (3) A \$9,600 civil penalty should be imposed against respondent.

#### OPINION

- (1) DEQ has authority to discipline permittees like the City for violations of waste discharge permits. ORS 468B.025(2) provides:
  - (2) No person shall violate the conditions of any waste discharge permit issued under ORS 468B.050.4

DEQ has alleged that the City's conduct was intentional. ORS 468.126 provides:

(1) No civil penalty prescribed under ORS 468.140 shall be imposed for a violation of an air, water or solid waste permit issued by the Department of Environmental Quality until

ORS 468B.050 sets out when a permit from DEQ is required. The parties acknowledge the City needed a permit to operate its wastewater treatment plant.

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Wabschall mistakenly recorded the BOD result for December 9, 1998 on the line for December 10, 1998 on the DMR. He also mistakenly recorded the BOD for December 17, 1998 on the line for December 18, 1998 on the DMR. DEQ concedes the recording for the wrong dates was a mistake, and does not seek any penalty or claim of violation of any rule for the erroneously designated dates.

the permittee has received five days' advance warning in writing from the department, specifying the violation and stating that a penalty will be imposed for the violation unless

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- (2) No advance notice shall be required under subsection (1) of this section if:
- (a) The violation is intentional;

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OAR 340-012-0030(9) provides that unless otherwise required by context, as used in this Division [Division 12, Definitions for Enforcement Procedures and Civil Penalty]:

(9) "Intentional" means conduct by a person with a conscious objective to cause the result of the conduct.

DEQ argues that the City, acting through its plant superintendent, Steve Wabschall, intentionally reported false test results on the monthly DMR for December 1998 the City filed with DEQ. The City can act only through its agents. Wabschall had authority and the responsibility to conduct wastewater tests pursuant to the NPDES permit and to file reports with DEQ in order to comply with the conditions of the permit.

The City argues that although Wabschall reported false test results, his actions did not meet the definition of "intentional" in DEQ administrative rules. The City contends that although Wabschall knew he was to report accurate information on the DMR, and that he knew he did not report his actual test results values for BOD on the DMR, DEQ has charged the City with reporting "false sample results." The City contends that because Wabschall knew the results from the tests he ran for the 5-day BOD for December 9 and 17, 1998 were obviously inaccurate, the estimated "sample test results" he reported were not intentionally false.

The NPDES permit required the City, through its agent, wastewater plant superintendent Wabschall, to follow the test methodology set out in 40 CFR 136, and to report the test results obtained from following that test methodology. Both the DMR and the permit require the permittee to report accurate and correct information based on those test results. Wabschall reported test results that he knew were inaccurate. The NPDES permit and DEQ rely on permittees to monitor themselves. DEQ lacks the resources to constantly check on an on-going basis permittees like the City to make certain they comply with all provisions in the permit. Permittees must report accurate test results and data so that both the permittee and DEQ can be alerted for any variations or discrepancies in the data and then track down problems and make corrections promptly.

OAR 340-012-0030(9) [i.e., "intentional" conduct] requires that the person act with a "conscious objective to cause the result of the conduct." In this case that conduct entailed a conscious objective to report test results knowing that those results were false or inaccurate. Acting intentionally under OAR 340-012-0030(9) does not require that the actor deliberately set out in advance to violate the law. The state of mind or level of conduct of deliberately setting out in advance to violate the law is addressed in DEQ's definition of "flagrant," which can elevate the amount of civil penalty. Wabschall admitted that he knew the test results he reported for BOD values for December 9 and 17, 1998 on the DMR for December 1998 were false or not accurate.

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He acted with a conscious objective to report test results he knew were false. DEQ established by a preponderance of the evidence that Wabschall intentionally reported false test results on the DMR report for December 1998.

The City argues that Wabschall estimated the BOD values from the TSS test results he had obtained for December 9 and 17, 1998, and hence could not have intentionally reported false test sample results. The conditions in the NPDES permit did not provide for estimating either BOD or any other test results. The permit requires following established testing methodology and reporting actual test results. Moreover, Wabschall's estimate was nothing more than a rough estimate or a guess. He used no established or accepted formula to make his estimate for BOD values from TSS test results. He just "eyeballed" the TSS test results and made his estimate. Finally, the City presented no persuasive evidence of a demonstrable correlation between BOD and TSS results. DEQ conducted a study of the City's treatment plant from January 1998 through December 1998, and found no such correlation. Wabschall apparently based his opinion of a correlation between TSS and BOD on information he obtained from a textbook he used in a class he took on wastewater treatment at a community college. However, that textbook focused on engineers calculating capacity for designs of wastewater treatment plants. The City presented no persuasive evidence that such correlation, even if it exits, applies to the actual testing of influent samples in an operating plant.

(2) Next is whether the City's conduct should be considered flagrant.

OAR 340-012-0030(7) defines "flagrant":

(7) "Flagrant means any documented violation where the Respondent had actual knowledge of law and had consciously set out to commit the violation.

Wabschall had actual knowledge of the laws and the provisions in the NPDES permit that required him to report accurate and true test results on the DMR. However, acting fragrantly implies planning or deliberately setting out in advance to violate the law. If Wabschall had that state of mind or purpose, he did a poor job covering his tracks. Wabschall recorded the actual beginning and ending values he obtained for the two samples for December 9 and 17, 1998 on the bench sheets. He then recorded a BOD value that obviously did not compute from those raw test numbers. DEQ inspector Sheetz had no difficulty discovering the erroneous results and calculating from the reported raw numbers what the actual BOD value should have been. If Wabschall had deliberately set out ahead of time to violate the law and report false test results, he could have easily made up beginning and ending raw test numbers to arrive at the BOD value he wished to report. DEQ investigator Sheetz would have had no practical way to go back and verify after the fact whether those raw test numbers were correct because the actual samples used had long since been discarded. Moreover, Wabschall made no effort to cover up what he had done when he talked to Sheetz on September 22, 1999. Sheetz asked him about the bench sheet numbers and the DMR. Wabschall acknowledged that his BOD results were estimates.

Wabschall made several mistakes gathering data and conducting tests. He placed test results in the wrong columns on bench sheets, he matched data with the wrong dates, and he may have used an incorrectly sized bottle to conduct tests. The City's plant under Wabschall's supervision had not been inspected by DEQ for permit compliance prior to September 16, 1998. Wabschall 660393City

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probably did not anticipate an inspection. Wabschall and the City had to collect lots of data on a continuous basis and conduct numerous tests on influent and effluent. Wabschall no doubt had a good understanding of the operation of his plant and generally on what levels and test results for influent and effluent to expect based on his experience. Alerting DEQ to erroneous test results and possibly flawed testing procedures may have invited additional scrutiny from DEQ and added work for Wabschall and his staff. Reporting his best estimates for BOD values and moving on was the path of least resistance. Although Wabschall acted intentionally in reporting false BOD values, DEQ failed to prove by a preponderance of the evidence that the City acting through Wabschall acted flagrantly.

#### CIVIL PENALTY

DEQ calculated the requested penalty of \$12,000 according to the factors set forth in Exhibit 1 to the Notice of Assessment of Civil Penalty. (Exhibit 104.)

Violations pertaining to water quality shall be classified as Class I if the violation involves intentionally submitting false information. OAR 340-012-0055(1)(m).

The magnitude of the violation is moderate pursuant to OAR 340-012-0045(1) because there is no selected magnitude for the violation in OAR 340-012-0090.

The formula for determining the amount of penalty of each violation is:

$$BP = [(0.1 \times BP) \times (P + H + O + R + C] + EB$$

"BP" is the base penalty which is \$3,000 for a Class I moderate magnitude violation in the matrix listed in OAR 340-012-0042(1).

"P" is respondent's prior significant action(s) and receives a value of 0 according to OAR 340-012-0045(1)(c)(A)(ii) because respondent has no prior significant actions.

"H" is the past history of respondent in taking all feasible steps or procedures necessary to correct any prior significant action(s) and receives a value of 0 according to OAR 340-012-0045(1)(c)(B)(ii) because respondent has no prior history.

"O" is whether or not the violation was a single occurrence or was repeated or continuous during the period of the violation and receives a value of 0 according to OAR 340-012-0045(1)(c)(C)(i) because respondent is being assessed separate penalties for each occurrence of the violation.

"R" is the cause of the violation and receives a value of 6 according to OAR 340-012-0045(1)(c)(D)(iii) because respondent acted intentionally as explained in subsection (2) of the Opinion Section of this decision.

"C" is respondent's cooperativeness in correcting the violation and receives a value of 0 according to OAR 340-012-0045(1)(c)(E)(ii) because the effects of the violation could not be corrected.

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3" is the approximate dollar sum of the economic benefit that the respondent gained through noncompliance according to OAR 340-012-0045(1)(c)(F) and receives a value of 0 due to a lack of evidence upon which to make a determination.

#### Penalty Calculation:

Penalty = BP + 
$$[(0.1 \times BP) \times (P + H + O + R + C)]$$
 + EB  
= \$3,000 +  $[(0.1 \times $3,000) \times (0 + 0 + 6 + 0 + 0)]$  + \$0  
= \$3,000 +  $($300 \times 6)$  + \$0  
= \$3,000 + \$1,800 + \$0  
= \$4,800

Because respondent committed violations for two separate days, December 9 and 17, 1998, the penalty should be multiplied by two.<sup>5</sup> The penalty the Commission should impose is \$9,600.

#### PROPOSED ORDER

I propose that the Commission enter an order that respondent City of Scappoose violated ORS\* 468B.025(2) and 468.126, and impose a civil penalty on respondent in the amount of \$9,600.

Dated this 2/ day of September, 2001

Ken L. Betterton

Administrative Law Judge Hearing Officer Panel

#### **Appeal Procedures**

If you are not satisfied with this decision, you have the right to have the decision reviewed by the Oregon Environmental Quality Commission. To have the decision reviewed, you must file a "Petition for Review" within 30 days of the date this order is served on you as provided in Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 340-011-0132(1) and (2). The Petition for Review must be filed with:

Stephanie Hallock, Director

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ORS 468.140 provides:

<sup>(1)</sup> In addition to any other penalty provided by law, any person who violates any of the following shall incur a civil penalty for each day of violation \* \* \*.

<sup>(</sup>b) Any provision of \* \* \* ORS chapters 468 \* \* \* and 468B.

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Department of Environmental Quality 811 SW Sixth Avenue Portland, OR 97204.

Within 30 days of filing the Petition for Review, you must also file exceptions and a brief as in provided in OAR 340-011-0132(3). If the petition, exceptions and brief are filed in a timely manner, the Commission will set the matter for oral argument and notify you of the time and place of the Commission's meeting. The requirements for filing a petition, exceptions and briefs are set out in OAR 340-011-0132.

Unless you timely and appropriately file a Petition for Review as set forth above, this Proposed Order becomes the Final Order of the Environmental Quality Commission 30 days from the date of service on you of this Proposed Order. If you wish to appeal the Final Order, you have 60 days from the date the Proposed Order becomes the Final Order to file a petition for review with the Oregon Court of Appeals. See ORS 183.400 et. seq.

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# STATE OF OREGON BEFORE THE HEARING OFFICER PANEL FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMMISSION

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IN THE MATTER OF:	)	
,	)	ORDER ASSESSING
	)	CIVIL PENALTY
City of Scappoose,	)	Hearing Officer Panel Case No. G60393
	)	Agency Case No. WQ/M-NWR-00-010
	)	COLUMBIA COUNTY
Respondent.	. )	•

#### ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that respondent, City of Scappoose, is liable for a civil penalty of \$9,600.00, plus interest pursuant to ORS 82.010, from the date this order is signed until paid. If the civil penalty remains unpaid for more than ten (10) days from the date this order is signed, this order may be filed with any County Clerk and execution shall issue thereon.

If a party wishes to appeal this order, the party has thirty (30) days from the date this order is signed to appeal the order to the Environmental Quality Commission. See Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 340-011-0132. If a party wishes to appeal the decision of the Environmental Quality Commission, the party has sixty (60) days from the date of service of the order by the Commission to file a petition for review with the Oregon Court of Appeals. (See ORS 183.480 et seq.)

ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMMISSION

Dated this 2/ day of September, 2001

Ken L. Betterton

Administrative Law Judge

Hearing Officer Panel

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### Certificate of Service

State of Oregon )	
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I certify that on $99000$ a true copy of the above Proposed Order was served of each of the parties by depositing the same in the United States Mail in Salem, Oregon, postage paid and certified, and sent to the addresses appearing on the Notice of Hearing unless otherwise noted below.	m, Oregon,

Laurel Van Fleet Hearing Officer Panel

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County of Marion

#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

2	I hereby certify that on 18th day of October 2001, I served the foregoing
3	RESPONDENT'S PETITION FOR COMMISSION REVIEW on the following parties at the
4	following addresses:
5	·
6	Jeff Bachman Department of Environmental Quality
7	Enforcement Section 2020 SW 4 <sup>th</sup> Ave Ste 400
8	Portland OR 97201-4987
9	by mailing to them a true and correct copy thereof, placed in a sealed envelope addressed to them
10	at the addresses set forth above, and deposited in the U.S. Post Office at Portland, Oregon on
11	said day with postage prepaid.
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13	Christophe L. Reive, OSB #83305
14	(503) 598-7070 Of Attorneys for Respondent City of
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The following **HEARING DECISION** was served to the parties at their respective addresses.

## STATE OF OREGON BEFORE THE HEARING OFFICER PANEL FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF:	)	PROPOSED ORDER
City of Scappoose,	)	Hearing Officer Panel Case No. G60393 Agency Case No. WQ/M-NWR-00-010
Respondent.	)	COLUMBIA COUNTY

#### HISTORY OF THE CASE

The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) issued a Notice of Violation, Department Order, and Assessment of Civil Penalty pursuant to Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS), ORS 468.126 through 468.140, ORS Chapter 183, and Oregon Administrative Rules (OAR), OAR Chapter 340, Divisions 11 and 12, to Respondent City of Scappoose (City) on April 18, 2000.

The notice alleges (1) that on or about December 9 and 17, 1998 respondent violated ORS 468B.025(2) by violating a condition (Schedule B, Condition 1) of its National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit by failing to report the results of sample analysis for biochemical oxygen demand by intentionally reporting false sample results on its discharge monitoring report; (2) that on or about September 16, 1999 respondent violated ORS 468B.025(2) by violating Schedule B, Condition 1b of its permit by failing to maintain the accuracy of its flowmeter through twice annual calibration; (3) that on or about July 6, 10 and 20, 1998 respondent violated ORS 468B.025(2) by violating General Condition B.1 of its permit by failing to provide adequate laboratory controls and appropriate quality assurance procedures; and (4) that on or about December 9 and 17, 1998 respondent violated ORS 468B.025(2) by violating General Condition B.1 of its permit by failing to provide adequate laboratory controls and appropriate quality assurance procedures. DEQ also requested a department order in its notice that respondent submit for review and approval within 120 days a comprehensive quality assurance plan for all data generated at the respondent's wastewater facility. The notice seeks assessment of a civil penalty against respondent in the amount of \$12,000 for the violation set forth in allegation (1) in the notice.

Respondent filed an answer to the notice of violations on May 8, 2000, in which respondent denied the allegations and the magnitude of the penalty.

A telephone pre hearing conference with the parties was held on November 1, 2000.



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A hearing was held in Scappoose, Oregon on January 11, 2001 before Ken L. Betterton, administrative law judge. Jeff Bachman, environmental law specialist, represented DEQ. Christopher L. Reive, attorney at law, represented respondent. James Sheetz and Robert Baumgarter testified as witnesses for DEQ. Holly Ploetz testified as a witness for respondent. At the end of DEQ's case, respondent filed written motions to dismiss or for directed verdict to DEQ's notice. The hearing was continued to give DEQ time to file a written response to the motions. DEQ filed its response on February 22, 2001. Respondent filed its reply to DEQ's response on March 1, 2001. On March 14, 2001 I issued a written decision denying all of respondent's motions.

A telephone pre hearing conference with the parties was held on May 29, 2001.

A further hearing conference with the parties was held on July 25, 2001 in Portland, Oregon. Jeff Bachman represented DEQ. Christopher Reive represented respondent. Steve Wabschall testified as a witness for respondent. DEQ filed its written closing argument on August 10, 2001. Respondent filed its written closing argument on August 17, 2001. I then closed the record and took the matter under advisement.

Respondent admitted it committed the violations in allegations (2), (3) and (4) in the notice, for which DEQ did not seek a civil penalty. The parties also stipulated that respondent has met the requirements of the department order.

The only remaining issue to be addressed in this decision is allegation (1), whether on or about December 9 and 17, 1998 respondent violated ORS 468B.025(2) by violating Schedule B, Condition 1 of its permit by intentionally reporting false sample results on its discharge monitoring report, and if so, what civil penalty should be imposed.

#### **EVIDENTIARY RULING**

Hearing officer Exhibits A and D, Exhibit 2, and Exhibits 101 through 117 and 119 were admitted into the record without objection. DEQ withdrew Exhibit 1. DEQ objected to Exhibit 118 on relevancy grounds. Exhibit 118 is relevant. I overruled the objection and admitted Exhibit 118 into the record.

#### **ISSUES**

- (1) Whether respondent violated a condition of its NPDES permit by intentionally reporting false test results on its discharge monitoring report.
- (2) If respondent intentionally reported false test results, whether its conduct was flagrant.
- (3) If respondent intentionally reported false results, what civil penalty should be imposed.

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

(1) DEQ issued a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Waste Discharge (NPDES) permit under the Federal Clean Water Act to the City of Scappoose (City) on September 29, G60393City

- 1992. The NPDES permit allowed the City to construct, install, modify or operate a wastewater collection, treatment, control and disposal system and discharge adequately treated wastewater to public waters. (Exhibit 101.) The City has operated under the NPDES permit since September 1992.
- (2) The City owns and operates a municipal wastewater treatment plant that provides domestic wastewater treatment for the City, and for industrial wastewater from Steinfeld's Pickles, a pickle processing facility that is connected to the City's wastewater collection system. The City discharges treated wastewater, or effluent, into the Multnomah channel of the Willamette River. (*Id.*) The City had about 4,130 residents in 1996. The pickle processing plant operates seasonally with the heaviest discharge into the system in the fall of the year. Most of the wastewater the City treats is from domestic waste.
- (3) The NPDES permit requires the City to monitor and report biochemical oxygen demand (BOD) and total suspended solids (TSS) at least twice a week by means of a composite sample technique. (Id., Schedule B.) The BOD determination is an empirical test in which standardized laboratory procedures are used to determine the relative oxygen requirements of wastewater, effluent, and polluted waters. (Exhibit 102, Appendix D at 1.) Monitoring results must be reported on approved forms. The reporting period is each calendar month. Reports for a calendar month must be submitted to DEQ by the 15<sup>th</sup> day of the following month. (Exhibit 101 at paragraph 2.) Monitoring reports must include the name of each principal operator designated by the permittee (i.e., the City) as responsible for supervising the system during the reporting period. (Id.) Although monitoring reports must be submitted on approved forms, DEQ does not provide a specific form for permittees to use. Permittees are free to design or create their own report forms. The permittee must at all times properly operate and maintain all facilities and systems of treatment and control that they install or use to achieve compliance with the conditions of the permit. (Id., General Condition B.) The permit requires appropriate flow measurement devices and methods consistent with accepted scientific practices to be selected and used to ensure the accuracy and reliability of measurements of the volume of monitored discharges. The devices must be installed, calibrated and maintained to ensure that the accuracy of the measurements is consistent with the accepted capability of that type of device. (Id., Section C.) The permit requires that monitoring be conducted according to test procedures approved under 40 CFR Part 136, unless other test procedures have been specified in the permit. (Id.) No other test procedure was specified in the City's permit. Any person who knowingly

\* \* \* \* \*. (Exhibit 102, Appendix D at 3.)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 40 CFR Part 136—Standard Method 5210 B. 5-Day BOD Test provides:

<sup>1.</sup> General Discussion

a. Principle: The method consists of filling with sample, to overflowing, an airtight bottle of the specified size and incubating it at the specified temperature for 5 d [i.e., days]. Dissolved oxygen is measured initially and after incubation, and the BOD is computed from the difference between initial and final DO. Because the initial DO is determined shortly after the dilution is made, all oxygen uptake occurring after this measurement is included in the BOD measurement.

b. Sampling and storage: Samples for BOD analysis may degrade significantly during storage between collection and analysis, resulting in low BOD values. \*\*\*.

<sup>2.</sup> Apparatus

a. Incubation bottles: Use glass bottles having 60 mL or greater capacity (300 mL bottles having a ground-glass stopper and a flared mouth are preferred). \* \* \*.

makes any false statement, representation or certification in any record or other document submitted or required to be maintained under the permit, including monitoring reports, is subject to a fine or imprisonment or both. (*Id.*, Section D, paragraph 9.)

- (4) Steve Wabschall (Wabschall) has worked for the City for 24 years. He has served as superintendent of the City's wastewater treatment plant for 15 years. Wabschall supervises a staff of three individuals. Wabschall possesses a water supply certification and two wastewater certifications. Wabschall has had no enforcement actions brought against him as plant superintendent from DEQ or from the federal government.
- (5) On September 16, 1999 DEQ environmental engineer James Sheetz (Sheetz) conducted an unannounced NPDES permit inspection of the City's wastewater treatment plant. Sheetz did the inspection as part of his regular job duties, and as part of the City's NPDES permit renewal process. NPDES permits are good for five years. Although the City's permit had not been renewed by 1999, the 1992 permit remained in force until it was renewed or cancelled. DEQ tries to inspect all permittees every five years, but funding and staff workload makes it difficult to adhere strictly to a five year inspection schedule. The NPDES waste discharge permit system and DEQ rely on permittees to monitor their own systems, based on accurate input data and monitoring reports. Sheetz last inspected the City's wastewater treatment plant in 1994, although that inspection was not a compliance inspection.
- (6) Sheetz's inspection on September 16, 1999 lasted about five and one-half hours. Sheetz talked to Wabschall, observed the plant in operation, reviewed plant records and collected samples. Sheetz selected 1998 operating records for review, and selected the months of July and December 1998 for inspection. Sheetz chose the records for December 9 and 17, 1998 for examination in detail. Sheetz found no discrepancies for December 9 and 17, 1998 for the TSS bench data. The City recorded its sample test results on "bench sheets" contemporaneously with when it conducted its tests. (See Exhibit 106, 107.) Wabschall and the City created its own form of bench sheet to record its monthly data to be transferred later to the monthly discharge monitoring reports (DMR) to be filed with DEQ. Wabschall recorded two influent dilution tests for December 9, 1998 to measure 5-day BOD. The start date for the test was December 9, 1998 and the stop date for the test was December 14, 1998. (Exhibit 106.) The average BOD value for the two dilution tests Wabschall ran was 25.3 mg/L.<sup>2</sup> (Id.) Wabschall did not record 25.3 mg/L for the BOD result on his bench sheet. Instead, he recorded a BOD result of 100 mg/L on the bench sheet for December 9, 1998. (Id.) Wabschall mistakenly recorded the value in the DO Depletion column on the bench sheet, rather than the BOD column on the form, like he should have done. (Id.) Wabschall knew, based on his TSS test result, that a BOD value of 25.3 mg/L was too low. He recorded the 5-day BOD test result of 100 mg/L, based on his estimate of what he believed the BOD result should have been, given the TSS result of 94 mg/L he reported for December 9, 1998. Wabschall did not make any note or comment on the bench sheet for the BOD value for December 9, 1998 that his recorded result of 100 mg/L was an estimate. (Id.)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The first influent sample had an initial DO of 8.49 and a final DO of 8.20. The DO Depletion for the first sample should have been 29 mg/L [ $8.49 - 8.20 = .20 \times 100 = 29 \text{ mg/L}$ ]. The second influent sample had an initial DO of 8.46 and a final DO of 8.03. The DO Depletion for the second sample should have been 21.5 mg/L [ $8.46 - 8.03 = .43 \times 50$  (adjusted for a different concentration) = 21.5 mg/L ]. The average for the two tests was 25.3 ( $29 + 21.5 \times 100 \times 100$ 

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Wabschall used a glass bottle having a capacity of 303 mL for the volume to conduct the test. The commonly accepted capacity of the bottle to conduct the test is 300 mL.

- (7) Sheetz also examined the bench sheet for December 17, 1998. Wabschall recorded two influent dilution tests for December 17, 1998 to measure the 5-day BOD. The start date for the test was December 17, 1998, and the stop date for the test was December 22, 1998. (Exhibit 107.) The average BOD value for the two dilution tests Wabschall ran was 38.8 mg/L. (Id.) Wabschall did not record 38.8 mg/L for a BOD result on his bench sheet. Instead, he recorded a BOD value of 60 mg/L on the bench sheet for December 17, 1998. (Id.) Wabschall mistakenly recorded the value of 60 in the DO Depletion column on the bench sheet, rather than in the BOD column like he should have done. (Id.) Wabschall knew a BOD value of 38.8 mg/L was too low for the two tests he had run. He reported the result of 60 mg/L for BOD based on his estimate of what he believed the BOD result should have been, given the TSS result of 84 mg/L he reported for December 17, 1998. Wabschall did not make any note or comment on the BOD bench sheet for December 17, 1998 that his recorded result of 60 mg/L was an estimate. (Id.) Wabschall used a glass bottle having a capacity of 303 mL for the volume to conduct the test. The commonly accepted capacity of the bottle to conduct the test is 300 mL.
- (8) Wabschall estimated the BOD value from his TSS result based on his belief that a correlation exists between BOD and TSS results. Wabschall based his belief on design estimates used by engineers to calculate capacity for the construction of new wastewater plants that he had read about in a textbook he used in a wastewater class he once took at a local community college. Wabschall used no specific formula to make the estimates of BOD results from TSS that he recorded and reported to DEQ.
- (9) Wabschall prepared and signed the DMR on behalf of the respondent for December 1998. (Exhibit 112.) He filed the DMR with DEQ on January 11, 1999. Wabschall recorded the BOD results of 100 mg/L for December 9, 1998 and 60 mg/L for December 17, 1998 on the DMR for December 1998. (*Id.*) Wabschall knew those test results were not the correct results from the data he obtained when he ran tests for both dates. Wabschall did not write anywhere on the DMR that his reported BOD results were estimates. (*Id.*) The DMR contains certification language near the signature line at the bottom of the form where Wabschall signed his name. (*Id.*) The certification reads:

"I certify under penalty of law that I have personal examines (sic) and am familiar with information submitted herein and based on my inquire of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information I believe the submitted information is true and accurate and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information including the possibility of fine and imprisonment." (Id.)

Wabschall knew that the results he recorded and submitted to DEQ for the BOD values for December 9 and 17, 1998 were not the actual test results he obtained when he did the 5-day BOD tests for the two days.

(10) On September 22, 1999 Sheetz telephoned Wabschall with questions about the DMR for December 1998 and the bench sheet records Sheetz had inspected on September 16, 1999.



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Wabschall told Sheetz that he knew the BOD values he wrote on the bench sheet for December 9 and 17, 1998, and that he later recorded on the DMR for December 1998, were too low.<sup>3</sup>

- (11) DEQ offers technical assistance to permittees to help them conduct their tests and report test results. Wabschall did not seek any assistance from DEQ to complete the DMR for December 1998, nor did he ask for assistance from DEQ on how to conduct BOD tests or how to track down what happened that caused the inaccurate test results he obtained.
- (12) Wabschall did not make any notes or comments on the DMR he submitted to DEQ for December 1998 that his recorded values for BOD were estimates. He did not record anywhere on the DMR the actual test results he had obtained, with notes or comments that he believed his test results were incorrect. If the City through Wabschall had made notes or comments to DEQ on the DMR, or on any other document, that his reported values were estimates, DEQ would not have sought to assess a civil penalty against the City for those test results.
- (13) DEQ did a study of the City's wastewater treatment plant records for January 1998 through December 1998 in connection with preparing the Notice of Violation, and found no correlation between TSS and BOD values that would enable an individual accurately to estimate a BOD result from an actual TSS result. (Exhibit 2.)

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- (1) Respondent City of Scappoose violated a condition of its NPDES permit by intentionally reporting false results on its discharge monitoring report for December 1998.
- (2) Respondent's conduct was not flagrant.
- (3) A \$9,600 civil penalty should be imposed against respondent.

#### **OPINION**

- (1) DEQ has authority to discipline permittees like the City for violations of waste discharge permits. ORS 468B.025(2) provides:
  - (2) No person shall violate the conditions of any waste discharge permit issued under ORS 468B.050.4

DEQ has alleged that the City's conduct was intentional. ORS 468.126 provides:

(1) No civil penalty prescribed under ORS 468.140 shall be imposed for a violation of an air, water or solid waste permit issued by the Department of Environmental Quality until

<sup>4</sup> ORS 468B.050 sets out when a permit from DEQ is required. The parties acknowledge the City needed a permit to operate its wastewater treatment plant.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Wabschall mistakenly recorded the BOD result for December 9, 1998 on the line for December 10, 1998 on the DMR. He also mistakenly recorded the BOD for December 17, 1998 on the line for December 18, 1998 on the DMR. DEQ concedes the recording for the wrong dates was a mistake, and does not seek any penalty or claim of violation of any rule for the erroneously designated dates.

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the permittee has received five days' advance warning in writing from the department, specifying the violation and stating that a penalty will be imposed for the violation unless

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- (2) No advance notice shall be required under subsection (1) of this section if:
- (a) The violation is intentional;

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OAR 340-012-0030(9) provides that unless otherwise required by context, as used in this Division [Division 12, Definitions for Enforcement Procedures and Civil Penalty]:

(9) "Intentional" means conduct by a person with a conscious objective to cause the result of the conduct.

DEQ argues that the City, acting through its plant superintendent, Steve Wabschall, intentionally reported false test results on the monthly DMR for December 1998 the City filed with DEQ. The City can act only through its agents. Wabschall had authority and the responsibility to conduct wastewater tests pursuant to the NPDES permit and to file reports with DEQ in order to comply with the conditions of the permit.

The City argues that although Wabschall reported false test results, his actions did not meet the definition of "intentional" in DEQ administrative rules. The City contends that although Wabschall knew he was to report accurate information on the DMR, and that he knew he did not report his actual test results values for BOD on the DMR, DEQ has charged the City with reporting "false sample results." The City contends that because Wabschall knew the results from the tests he ran for the 5-day BOD for December 9 and 17, 1998 were obviously inaccurate, the estimated "sample test results" he reported were not intentionally false.

The NPDES permit required the City, through its agent, wastewater plant superintendent Wabschall, to follow the test methodology set out in 40 CFR 136, and to report the test results obtained from following that test methodology. Both the DMR and the permit require the permittee to report accurate and correct information based on those test results. Wabschall reported test results that he knew were inaccurate. The NPDES permit and DEQ rely on permittees to monitor themselves. DEQ lacks the resources to constantly check on an on-going basis permittees like the City to make certain they comply with all provisions in the permit. Permittees must report accurate test results and data so that both the permittee and DEQ can be alerted for any variations or discrepancies in the data and then track down problems and make corrections promptly.

OAR 340-012-0030(9) [i.e., "intentional" conduct] requires that the person act with a "conscious objective to cause the result of the conduct." In this case that conduct entailed a conscious objective to report test results knowing that those results were false or inaccurate. Acting intentionally under OAR 340-012-0030(9) does not require that the actor deliberately set out in advance to violate the law. The state of mind or level of conduct of deliberately setting out in advance to violate the law is addressed in DEQ's definition of "flagrant," which can elevate the amount of civil penalty. Wabschall admitted that he knew the test results he reported for BOD values for December 9 and 17, 1998 on the DMR for December 1998 were false or not accurate. G60393City

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He acted with a conscious objective to report test results he knew were false. DEQ established by a preponderance of the evidence that Wabschall intentionally reported false test results on the DMR report for December 1998.

The City argues that Wabschall estimated the BOD values from the TSS test results he had obtained for December 9 and 17, 1998, and hence could not have intentionally reported false test sample results. The conditions in the NPDES permit did not provide for estimating either BOD or any other test results. The permit requires following established testing methodology and reporting actual test results. Moreover, Wabschall's estimate was nothing more than a rough estimate or a guess. He used no established or accepted formula to make his estimate for BOD values from TSS test results. He just "eyeballed" the TSS test results and made his estimate. Finally, the City presented no persuasive evidence of a demonstrable correlation between BOD and TSS results. DEQ conducted a study of the City's treatment plant from January 1998 through December 1998, and found no such correlation. Wabschall apparently based his opinion of a correlation between TSS and BOD on information he obtained from a textbook he used in a class he took on wastewater treatment at a community college. However, that textbook focused on engineers calculating capacity for designs of wastewater treatment plants. The City presented no persuasive evidence that such correlation, even if it exits, applies to the actual testing of influent samples in an operating plant.

(2) Next is whether the City's conduct should be considered flagrant.

OAR 340-012-0030(7) defines "flagrant":

(7). "Flagrant means any documented violation where the Respondent had actual knowledge of law and had consciously set out to commit the violation.

Wabschall had actual knowledge of the laws and the provisions in the NPDES permit that required him to report accurate and true test results on the DMR. However, acting fragrantly implies planning or deliberately setting out in advance to violate the law. If Wabschall had that state of mind or purpose, he did a poor job covering his tracks. Wabschall recorded the actual beginning and ending values he obtained for the two samples for December 9 and 17, 1998 on the bench sheets. He then recorded a BOD value that obviously did not compute from those raw test numbers. DEQ inspector Sheetz had no difficulty discovering the erroneous results and calculating from the reported raw numbers what the actual BOD value should have been. If Wabschall had deliberately set out ahead of time to violate the law and report false test results, he could have easily made up beginning and ending raw test numbers to arrive at the BOD value he wished to report. DEQ investigator Sheetz would have had no practical way to go back and verify after the fact whether those raw test numbers were correct because the actual samples used had long since been discarded. Moreover, Wabschall made no effort to cover up what he had done when he talked to Sheetz on September 22, 1999. Sheetz asked him about the bench sheet numbers and the DMR. Wabschall acknowledged that his BOD results were estimates.

Wabschall made several mistakes gathering data and conducting tests. He placed test results in the wrong columns on bench sheets, he matched data with the wrong dates, and he may have used an incorrectly sized bottle to conduct tests. The City's plant under Wabschall's supervision had not been inspected by DEQ for permit compliance prior to September 16, 1998. Wabschall G60393City

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probably did not anticipate an inspection. Wabschall and the City had to collect lots of data on a continuous basis and conduct numerous tests on influent and effluent. Wabschall no doubt had a good understanding of the operation of his plant and generally on what levels and test results for influent and effluent to expect based on his experience. Alerting DEQ to erroneous test results and possibly flawed testing procedures may have invited additional scrutiny from DEQ and added work for Wabschall and his staff. Reporting his best estimates for BOD values and moving on was the path of least resistance. Although Wabschall acted intentionally in reporting false BOD values, DEQ failed to prove by a preponderance of the evidence that the City acting through Wabschall acted flagrantly.

#### CIVIL PENALTY

DEQ calculated the requested penalty of \$12,000 according to the factors set forth in Exhibit 1 to the Notice of Assessment of Civil Penalty. (Exhibit 104.)

Violations pertaining to water quality shall be classified as Class I if the violation involves intentionally submitting false information. OAR 340-012-0055(1)(m).

The magnitude of the violation is moderate pursuant to OAR 340-012-0045(1) because there is no selected magnitude for the violation in OAR 340-012-0090.

The formula for determining the amount of penalty of each violation is:

$$BP = [(0.1 \text{ x BP}) \text{ x } (P + H + O + R + C] + EB$$

"BP" is the base penalty which is \$3,000 for a Class I moderate magnitude violation in the matrix listed in OAR 340-012-0042(1).

"P" is respondent's prior significant action(s) and receives a value of 0 according to OAR 340-012-0045(1)(c)(A)(ii) because respondent has no prior significant actions.

"H" is the past history of respondent in taking all feasible steps or procedures necessary to correct any prior significant action(s) and receives a value of 0 according to OAR 340-012-0045(1)(c)(B)(ii) because respondent has no prior history.

"O" is whether or not the violation was a single occurrence or was repeated or continuous during the period of the violation and receives a value of 0 according to OAR 340-012-0045(1)(c)(C)(i) because respondent is being assessed separate penalties for each occurrence of the violation.

"R" is the cause of the violation and receives a value of 6 according to OAR 340-012-0045(1)(c)(D)(iii) because respondent acted intentionally as explained in subsection (2) of the Opinion Section of this decision.

"C" is respondent's cooperativeness in correcting the violation and receives a value of 0 according to OAR 340-012-0045(1)(c)(E)(ii) because the effects of the violation could not be corrected.

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"EB" is the approximate dollar sum of the economic benefit that the respondent gained through noncompliance according to OAR 340-012-0045(1)(c)(F) and receives a value of 0 due to a lack of evidence upon which to make a determination.

#### Penalty Calculation:

Penalty = BP + 
$$[(0.1 \times BP) \times (P + H + O + R + C)]$$
 + EB  
= \$3,000 +  $[(0.1 \times $3,000) \times (0 + 0 + 6 + 0 + 0)]$  + \$0  
= \$3,000 +  $($300 \times 6)$  + \$0  
= \$3,000 + \$1,800 + \$0  
= \$4,800

Because respondent committed violations for two separate days, December 9 and 17, 1998, the penalty should be multiplied by two.<sup>5</sup> The penalty the Commission should impose is \$9,600.

#### PROPOSED ORDER

I propose that the Commission enter an order that respondent City of Scappoose violated ORS 468B.025(2) and 468.126, and impose a civil penalty on respondent in the amount of \$9,600.

Dated this 2/ day of September, 2001

Ken L. Betterton

Administrative Law Judge Hearing Officer Panel

#### **Appeal Procedures**

If you are not satisfied with this decision, you have the right to have the decision reviewed by the Oregon Environmental Quality Commission. To have the decision reviewed, you must file a "Petition for Review" within 30 days of the date this order is served on you as provided in Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 340-011-0132(1) and (2). The Petition for Review must be filed with:

Stephanie Hallock, Director

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> ORS 468.140 provides:

<sup>(1)</sup> In addition to any other penalty provided by law, any person who violates any of the following shall incur a civil penalty for each day of violation \* \* \*.

<sup>(</sup>b) Any provision of \* \* \* ORS chapters 468 \* \* \* and 468B.

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Department of Environmental Quality 811 SW Sixth Avenue Portland, OR 97204.

Within 30 days of filing the Petition for Review, you must also file exceptions and a brief as in provided in OAR 340-011-0132(3). If the petition, exceptions and brief are filed in a timely manner, the Commission will set the matter for oral argument and notify you of the time and place of the Commission's meeting. The requirements for filing a petition, exceptions and briefs are set out in OAR 340-011-0132.

Unless you timely and appropriately file a Petition for Review as set forth above, this Proposed Order becomes the Final Order of the Environmental Quality Commission 30 days from the date of service on you of this Proposed Order. If you wish to appeal the Final Order, you have 60 days from the date the Proposed Order becomes the Final Order to file a petition for review with the Oregon Court of Appeals. See ORS 183.400 et. seq.

STATE OF OREGON - HEARING OFFICER PANEL - EMPLOYMENT DEPARTMENT

## STATE OF OREGON BEFORE THE HEARING OFFICER PANEL FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMMISSION

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IN THE MATTER OF:	)	:
	)	ORDER ASSESSING
	)	CIVIL PENALTY
City of Scappoose,	)	Hearing Officer Panel Case No. G60393
	j	Agency Case No. WQ/M-NWR-00-010
	)	COLUMBIA COUNTY
Respond	ent.)	

#### **ORDER**

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that respondent, City of Scappoose, is liable for a civil penalty of \$9,600.00, plus interest pursuant to ORS 82.010, from the date this order is signed until paid. If the civil penalty remains unpaid for more than ten (10) days from the date this order is signed, this order may be filed with any County Clerk and execution shall issue thereon.

If a party wishes to appeal this order, the party has thirty (30) days from the date this order is signed to appeal the order to the Environmental Quality Commission. See Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 340-011-0132. If a party wishes to appeal the decision of the Environmental Quality Commission, the party has sixty (60) days from the date of service of the order by the Commission to file a petition for review with the Oregon Court of Appeals. (See ORS 183.480 et seq.)

ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMMISSION

Dated this 2/ day of September, 2001

Ken L. Betterton Administrative Law Judge Hearing Officer Panel

### **Certificate of Service**

County of Marion )	
State of Oregon )	•
I certify that on $9/2$	A True copy of the above Proposed Order was served on
each of the parties by de	epositing the same in the United States Mail in Salem, Oregon,
1 • 1	ed, and sent to the addresses appearing on the Notice of Hearing
unless otherwise noted	Delow.
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Laurel Van Fleet Hearing Officer Panel

## ORIGINAL

1	BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMMISSION E $\mathbb{C}$ $\mathbb{E}$ $\mathbb{V}$ $\mathbb{E}$
2	OF THE STATE OF OREGON AUG 20 2001
3	IN THE MATTER OF:  CITY OF SCAPPOOSE,  Case No. WQ/M-NWR-00-Comployment Hearing
. 4	Respondent. ) RESPONDENT'S POST HEARING BRIEF-REPLY
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8	The following statement from its Hearing Memorandum summarizes the Department's
9	entire case:
10	Despite Mr. Wabschall's denials, the preponderance of the evidence
11	demonstrates that Mr. Wabschall knew that the law required him to report true information on the discharge monitoring report, but that he chose instead to report
12	data he knew to be false.
13	Hearing Memorandum, page 12, lines 19-21. This misstates the record and the City of
14	Scappoose's (the "City") defense. As a result, the Department's claim must fail.
15	Mr. Wabschall has never denied that he believed the law required that he report "true
16	information." But, the Department hasn't alleged the failure to report "true information."
17	Instead, the Department alleges:
18	Respondent violated Schedule B, Condition 1, of its Permit by failing to
19	report <b>the results of sample analysis</b> (sic) for biological oxygen demand.  Respondent intentionally reported <b>false sample results</b> on its Discharge
20	Monitoring Report.
21	Notice of Assessment of Civil Penalty, page 2, line 2-4.
22	Mr. Wabschall testified, repeatedly, that he was aware of his obligation to submit
23	"information" that was "true accurate and complete." See Hearing Exhibit No. 112. It is
24	undisputed that the actual sample results at issue here were not accurate. They were declared
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invalid and inaccurate by the testing protocol dictated by the Permit, and, it is undisputed that	it
Mr. Wabschall knew that the sample results were invalid and inaccurate at the time of reporti	ing.

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Mr. Wabschall testified that, rather than report "sample results" he knew were neither accurate nor complete, he entered a value for each invalid test result onto the City's Discharge Monitoring Report that was his honest best estimate of a true, accurate, and complete report of the quality of the influent being tested on those days. Mr. Wabschall explained at length the basis for his belief, which arose from his extensive experience as a licensed wastewater treatment plant operator, his education, and his personal experience with the performance of the City's wastewater treatment plant. The Department's attempts to prove that Mr. Wabschall's honestly held opinions were (and are) wrong completely miss the mark, because it doesn't matter whether Mr. Wabschall was honestly right or wrong. The Department has alleged and must prove intentional misconduct in this case. Therefore, what matters is what Mr. Wabschall believed at the time, and his uncontroverted testimony on this is absolutely clear.

Moreover, Mr. Wabschall's belief was objectively reasonable. With regard to his belief in the accuracy of the information he reported to DEQ, Mr. Wabschall explained the relationship he has observed between the concentration of total suspended solids (TSS) and biological oxygen demand (BOD). Mr. Wabschall's testimony described the relatively uniform nature of the domestic sewage that is processed in the City's wastewater treatment plant, the correlation between biological contamination (solid biomass – TSS) and oxygen demand caused by the natural breakdown of that biomass through bacterial action in the plant and in nature. He described how that total oxygen demand is measured for regulatory purposes by the BOD test required by the Permit. He testified that, in his actual experience, an increase in biomass (TSS) coming into the plant causes an increase in the ultimate measure of oxygen demand (BOD) that

contamination places on the plant's treatment system and the receiving stream. He also testified
that this belief is not just based on his personal experience at the City's Plant. Mr. Wabschall
explained that he has been taught that such a correlation exists, and offered Hearing Exhibits 118
and 119 in support of that testimony. Those exhibits, which Mr. Wabschall testified he received
during training he received in his profession, show that total "Population Equivalent," for the
purposes of wastewater treatment plant design, is typically estimated at 0.2 lbs/person/day and
0.22 lbs/person/day for BOD and TSS respectively. The testimony is uncontroverted that these
values are industry-accepted standards for estimating the amount of biological contamination
predictably received from residential wastewater. Mr. Wabschall testified that he believes the
close correlation of TSS and BOD (0.2 and 0.22, respectively) in estimating the same value
(population equivalent) supports his conclusion that these measurements are closely correlated in
nature – and of course he is right.
Finally, the values actually reported for BOD on the discharge monitoring report reflect
his best estimates. They are correlated to reliable TSS readings for the subject days, and Mr.
Wabschall testified he took those reported TSS values into account when entering what he
believed were far more true, accurate, and complete reports of the quality of the influent than the
invalid and inaccurate sample results he had in hand. See Hearing Exhibits 106 and 107.
With regard to his belief that he was required to report "true, accurate, and complete
information," not "sample results", Mr. Wabschall testified that he was very aware of the exact
wording of the certification he was required to sign on the "form approved by the Department."
See Hearing Exhibit 101 (Permit), Section C, Condition 5. The Department cites Permit

Schedule B, Condition 1, in its Notice of Assessment in support of its claim, but nothing in that

Permit condition references "sample results." Neither the Department's legal representative nor

any Department witness could point out to the City's representative or the hearings officer anything in the Permit that deals with "sample results."

When asked what the Permit requires an operator to do when presented with inaccurate and incomplete test results, Ms. Holly Ploetz responded by declaring that there is no easy answer. Ms. Ploetz, whose wastewater treatment plant operator training program is funded in part with federal dollars, testified that the Department has provided no written guidance to operators or trainers as to what to do, that the reporting form provides no guidance or even any space to allow the operator to offer an explanation to the Department of an invalid test result, and the Permit doesn't otherwise address the problem at all.

It is fundamental to the Department's case that what the permit holder is supposed to do with invalid and inaccurate test results is crystal clear from a plain reading of the Permit. Yet, the testimony of every witness, the Department's responses to the hearing officer's questions, and the Department's somewhat confused references to inapplicable Permit Conditions in its Notice of Assessment shows that what the operator is supposed to do is not at all clear. In contrast, it is absolutely clear and undisputed that Mr. Wabschall acted with the intent to comply with the City's reporting responsibilities. His actions were reasonable and done with a belief that he was complying with the City's Permit.

The City incorporates, without repeating here, the undersigned's verbal comments made by way of closing argument upon the completion of testimony. In particular, the City incorporates its contentions with regard to the legal standard of "intent" and "flagrant," which the Department has failed to satisfy in this matter. Simply stated, there is no evidence that Mr. Wabschall or anyone else from the City intended the "result" alleged by the Department. *See* OAR 340-012-0030(9). The Department has made no effort to present such evidence, because none exists.

### CONCLUSION For all of the reasons stated above, the Department's attempt to assess a civil penalty must fail. The Department has not established by a preponderance of evidence, in fact by any evidence at all, that the City intended to submit false information to the Department. In the absence of such intent, there is no legal basis for a civil penalty. Respectfully submitted. Dated this 17th day of Argat JORDAN SCHRADER Attorneys for Respondent

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#### OF THE STATE OF OREGON IN THE MATTER OF: HEARING MEMORANDUM CITY OF SCAPPOOSE No. WQ/M-NWR-00-010 COLUMBIA COUNTY 5 6 7 This Hearing Memorandum is offered in support of Notice of Assessment of Civil Penalty 8 (Notice) No. WO/M-NWR-00-010, issued April 18, 2000, to the City of Scappoose by the 9 Department of Environmental Quality (the Department). 10 I. APPLICABLE STATUTES AND ADMINISTRATIVE RULES 11 The Department issued the Notice pursuant to Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) Chapters 12 468 and 183, and Oregon Administrative Rules (OAR) Chapter 340, Divisions 11 and 12. The 13 Department alleges that the City of Scappoose violated a substantive provision of ORS 468B. 14 II. ISSUES 15 1. Did the City of Scappoose violate ORS 468B.025(2) by violating a condition of its 16 National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit by submitting false information on its 17 December 1999 Discharge Monitoring Report. 18 2. If so, did the City intentionally submit the false information such that the 19 Department is not barred from assessing a civil penalty pursuant to ORS 468.126. 20 3. If so, did the Department correctly calculate the penalty assessed in the Notice? 21 III. FACTS 22 The evidence entered into the record by the Department and the City establishes the 23 following undisputed facts. The City operates a municipal wastewater collection, treatment and 24 disposal system pursuant to a permit issued by the Department. The City's treatment plant 25 receives primarily domestic sewage generated by the residents of Scappoose. The plant receives 26 one industrial wastestream generated by the Steinfeldt's food processing plant. Steinfeldt's does 27

not operate year round, but on a seasonal basis that coincides with the fall harvest of the crops it

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processes. The City discharges treated wastewater, or effluent, to the Multnomah Channel of the Willamette River.

Scappoose's permit requires it to monitor the concentration of pollutants in the wastewater coming into the plant, or influent, and the concentrations in the effluent discharged to the Multnomah Channel. The City monitors effluent to determine whether the it is within the limits placed on how much pollution the City may discharge to the Channel. By monitoring the influent, the City determines whether its plant is meeting the treatment efficiency standard required by the permit for removal of pollutants from the wastewater coming into the plant before the wastewater is discharged to public waters.

The permit also requires the City to report the results of its monitoring monthly to the Department in a document referred to as a discharge monitoring report or DMR. Biochemical oxygen demand (BOD) and total suspended solids (TSS) are among the pollutants the City is required to monitor. BOD measures the amount of nutrients in the wastewater, which, when discharged, causes increased propagation of bacteria and algae, which in turn reduce the amount of dissolved oxygen available for fish and other aquatic species.

On September 16, 1999, Department Water Quality Engineer James Sheetz conducted an inspection of the City's wastewater treatment plant to determine the City's compliance with its permit and other applicable laws. As part of his inspections, Mr. Sheetz pulled, at random, records of the City's influent and effluent monitoring for December 9 and 17, 1998. These records included documents referred to as "bench sheets". Bench sheets are intended to document the results of laboratory analysis performed by City on its wastewater samples. The bench sheets further document the mathematical calculations through which the City uses the raw laboratory data to arrive at the final monitoring results that are reported on the DMR. In reviewing the bench sheets for the December 9 and 17, 1998 influent BOD monitoring, Mr. Sheetz found that the influent BOD values reported for those days on the December 1998 discharge monitoring report were not the values produced by following the required analytical method.

At hearing, the City's treatment plant operator, Steve Wabschall, admitted that he did not record the BOD values which resulted from the required analytical method on the discharge monitoring report. Because the numbers produced by the required method were obviously erroneous, Mr. Wabschall claimed that he estimated the influent BOD results from the influent TSS results, which he believed were valid.

#### IV. ARGUMENT

#### A. The Department Proved Intentional Conduct.

Respondent asserts that the Department should be barred, pursuant to ORS 468.126, from assessing a civil penalty because it has not proven that the violation in Section IV, Paragraph 1, of the Notice of Civil Penalty Assessment, was intentional. Respondent argues that the Department must prove that the City, acting through its operator, Mr. Wabschall, knowingly submitted false information for the Department to assess a civil penalty. Respondent's argument fails because it is inconsistent with the Environmental Quality Commission's definition of intentional. Furthermore, if the City's interpretation were accepted, it would destroy the distinction the EQC clearly intended to make in its rules between "intentionally" caused violations and "flagrantly" caused violations.

OAR 340-012-0030(9) defines "intentional" as "conduct by a person with a conscious objective to cause the result of the conduct." It is undisputed that Respondent intentionally entered "estimated" data on a discharge monitoring report and intentionally submitted that report to the Department. The result of the conduct was "estimated" data was reported to the Department in lieu of the data derived from the required monitoring. Respondent had the conscious objective to achieve that result when it acted. That's sufficient. Respondent need not have, and the Department need not prove, a conscious objective to violate the law in order to establish an intentional violation. In the Matter of Pacific Air Helicopters, Inc., 1997 WL 276631 (Or Env Qual Com. 1997)(an "intentional" violation "does not mean that the [Respondent] had to intentionally violate the law, but only consciously engage in the conduct that

Section IV, Paragraph 1 of the Notice.

The City argues that the definition of intentional applied by the Department would result

led to the violation."). Thus, the Department has proved an intentional violation as alleged in

The City argues that the definition of intentional applied by the Department would result in virtually every permit violation being considered an intentional violation because sewage treatment plants are "intentionally built and intentionally operated." Essentially, the City accuses the Department of applying intentional as if it were synonymous with proximate cause. The City overreaches in its argument in its attempts to avoid a civil penalty. There is any number of potential permit violations where the Department's interpretation would not result in a finding of intentional. Take for example, the City's violation, cited in the Notice, for failing to keep its flow meter calibrated. The failure to do so was the result of an oversight, not as a result of a conscious choice and so is not an intentional violation. Any number of violations could be the result of an omission caused by an oversight, or of intentional conduct where the result was unintended.

The Department is not required to prove that Mr. Wabschall knew that the data was false or intended to submit false data to prove the violation intentional. In suggesting that proof of intent to submit false data is necessary for a finding that a violation is intentional, the City argues that the Department should be held to the standard necessary to prove a flagrant violation. OAR 340-012-0030(7) defines "flagrant" as "any documented violation where Respondent has actual knowledge of the law and consciously set out to commit the violation." In his testimony regarding the preparer's certification of accuracy on the DMR, Mr. Wabschall said that he knew submitting false data is a violation. If Mr. Wabschall intentionally submitted false information, when he knew, by his own admission, that submitting false information is a violation, he would have "consciously set out to commit the violation," and the City, by extension, would have committed a flagrant violation.

The Environmental Quality Commission's intent to have "intentional" and "flagrant" represent two distinct mental states, could not be more clear. OAR 340-012-0045(1)(c)(D) provides for different aggravating factors, 6 in the case of intentional and 10 in the case of

flagrant, be applied to a base civil penalty. Of course the Department has alleged in its civil penalty assessment that not only was the City's violation intentional, but also flagrant. That issue is addressed later in this memorandum. But as for the threshold issue, the Department has met its burden of proving that, at a minimum, the City's violation was intentional and ORS 468.126 and OAR 340-012-0040 do not bar the Department from assessing the City a penalty.

#### B. Equitable Arguments

The City made several equitable arguments against the Department's penalty assessment, two of which this memorandum addresses in turn.

#### 1. Reporting Requirements

Among the equitable arguments the City made is that its permit does not clearly state that sample analysis results must be reported even if faulty sampling or analysis produces obviously erroneous results. The permit, however, as explained in detail in the Department's Response to the City's motion to dismiss, expressly requires that the results of sampling and analysis conducted according to required methodology be reported, regardless of whether the permittee believes the results to be valid. The Department will not rehash here arguments made in its Response, but instead requests that the Hearing Officer review the Response. There are, however, several points the Department would like to make here for the first time, or reemphasize.

Schedule B of the permit states that a composite sample of influent shall be monitored for BOD twice per week and the monitoring results shall be reported to the Department monthly on approved forms. Section C.3 of the permit states that all monitoring "must be conducted according to the test procedures approved under 40 CFR 136, unless other test procedures have been specified in this permit." No other test methods are specified the permit, so the City was required to utilize one of the approved procedures in 40 Code of Federal Regulations 136. For BOD monitoring on December 9 and 17, 1998, the City chose to employ Standard Method 5210B, an approved method listed in 40 CFR 136. Because the results produced by Standard Method 5210B were obviously erroneous, Mr. Wabschall chose to instead report other BOD

values for those days on the City's December 1998 discharge monitoring report. The language of the permit, however, is clear. The permit does not give the City the option of reporting other values when performing the approved sampling and analysis procedures produces an erroneous result.

What then was Mr. Wabschall to do when faced with the clear requirement to report results from Standard Method 5210B analysis when he had no valid data to report? The City would have the Hearing Officer believe that Mr. Wabschall, an experienced operator with three weeks before he had to file the DMR, could think of no better solution than to report guesstimated BOD values without notifying the Department. Mr. Wabschall, of course, had a number of options which would not have mislead the Department into believing that every thing was fine with the City's sampling and monitoring program.

On the day the erroneous analytical results were produced, Mr. Wabschall simply could have opened the phone book, looked up the Department's number, called, and asked for assistance in resolving his problem. Or, Mr. Wabschall could have reported the analytical results and included a note explaining his concerns about the validity of the BOD results when he mailed in the discharge monitoring report. Mr. Wabschall could have reported the result and wrote a note on the discharge monitoring report itself. Mr. Wabschall could also have, as the Department witnesses testified was common practice, asterisked the reported value as an estimate.

Any of these responses would have notified the Department that the City had a problem running its BOD analyses and, as the Department witnesses testified, no enforcement action would have followed. As the analytical results were invalid on their face, Mr. Wabschall could even have just reported those results as the permit requires and done nothing else, which would also have alerted the Department that the City was having problems in its monitoring program. Instead, Mr. Wabschall chose to report guesstimated values and to represent those values as having been produced by the required methodology.

In presenting its case, the City tried to characterize Mr. Wabschall's choice as that of a conscientious individual left to fend for himself by a demanding and uncaring agency. This ignores the fact that the Department does in fact provide technical assistance on a regular basis to those permittees who request it. Unfortunately, the legislature does not provide the Department with resources sufficient to regularly contact permittees and ask if they are having problems that require assistance. As Mr. Sheetz testified, given limited resources, the Department must prioritize. One means of prioritizing is to offer technical assistance to permittees whom the Department understands are having problems. Mr. Wabschall and the City never took any direct action to alert the Department of its monitoring program problem, nor, as explained above, could the Department have discerned it from the discharge monitoring reports. Absent any evidence that the City was having problems, and given its limited resources, the Department cannot be be expected seek out permittees who may be having problems complying with their obligations.

#### 2. Estimating BOD from TSS is a Not a Valid Means for Calculating BOD

As with the City's argument on the clarity of the permit's reporting requirements, this issue was also addressed in the Department's Response to the motion to dismiss and the Department again urges the Hearing Officer to review the Response as part of his deliberations. That Response, however, was prepared before Mr. Wabschall testified and the Department addresses his testimony on this question below.

Mr. Wabschall said many times during his testimony that the BOD values he reported for December 9 and 17, 1998 were the most accurate estimate of the actual values he could make given the information he had available at the time. His formal education limited to high school and continuing education required to maintain his operator's certification, Mr. Wabschall declared himself qualified to estimate BOD from TSS results. Mr. Wabschall did so despite the fact that he could not provide a single example where anyone anywhere suggested that BOD can be estimated from TSS. According to Mr. Wabschall, he decided that he can accurately estimate BOD from TSS based on (1) his "experience" and, (2) design estimates, found in a textbook, of the average amount of BOD and TSS in domestic wastewater generally. The design estimates

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allegedly relied on by Mr. Wabschall are intended to be used engineers determining the necessary capacity for sewage treatment facilities.

Mr. Wabschall has no reasonable basis for assuming that the design estimates are somehow valid for use in complying with the City's monitoring and reporting obligations under its permit. As for experience, the City provided no evidence of any experience on the part of Mr. Wabschall that would reasonably lead him to believe there was a correlation between BOD and TSS. During cross-examination, Mr. Wabschall admitted that he has no mathematical formula for converting a TSS value to BOD, nor had he reviewed the historic influent BOD and TSS data for his facility on his way to concluding that he could accurately estimate one from the other. If he had, Mr. Wabschall might have realized, as the statistical analysis graphically illustrated in the Department's Exhibit 2 proves, there was a very poor correlation between influent TSS and BOD values at Scappoose in the year leading up to and including December 1998.

During its re-direct examination of Mr. Wabschall, the City tried to shore up its case on this point by having him cite data from influent sampling and analysis conducted by a contract laboratory. Careful review of the data, collected in September 1999 through October 2000, however, shows no more of a correlation than the Department's statistical analysis of the data from 1998. This is true even if you exclude the data from months when it could be assumed that the Steinfeldt's food processing plant was operating.

For example, on March 29, 2000, influent BOD (460 parts per million) was 31% lower than TSS (668 ppm). One week later, later on April 6, 2000, BOD was 9% lower than TSS, 250 ppm to 276 ppm. One week after that, on April 13, 2000, BOD was 361% greater than TSS, 470 ppm to 130 ppm. The Department could go on giving example after example. It is sufficient to say, however, that the contract lab data fails to show with any consistency that BOD values increase or decrease when TSS increases or decreases, or that when they do increase or decrease at the same time, the increase or decreases are of similar magnitude.

Furthermore, the very BOD values "estimated" by Mr. Wabschall show no consistency with each other as would be expected if he thought there was a relationship between BOD and

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December 9 and 17, 1998, he recorded in the discharge monitoring report, Mr. Wabschall would only say that they were based on his "experience." For December 9, 1998, the City reported an influent TSS result of 94 ppm and an influent BOD of 100 ppm. On December 17, 1998, the City reported an influent TSS value of 84 ppm, but an influent BOD of 60 ppm. Mr. Wabschall offered no explanation of why his experience told him to estimate a BOD value slightly higher than the TSS value on December 9, but then to estimate a BOD significantly lower than the TSS value on December 17.

#### C. The Violation was Caused by the City's Flagrant Conduct

The calculation of the civil penalty the Department assessed the City is set forth in Exhibit 1 of the Notice. The City has objected specifically to the Department's finding that the violation in Section 4, Paragraph 1, of the Notice was caused by the City's flagrant conduct.

OAR 340-012-0030(7) defines "flagrant" as "any documented violation where Respondent has actual knowledge of the law and consciously set out to commit the violation." In determining whether the City's conduct meets this standard, the Hearing Officer must look to the mental state of Mr. Wabschall. The City, as a non-natural legal person, cannot act but through the actions of its employees and officials. In its Response to the City's motion to dismiss, the Department included a copy of the City's most recent permit renewal application, filed on June 29, 1994. On that application, the City identifies Mr. Wabschall as the Responsible Official for compliance with the permit. When Mr. Wabschall acted in his capacity as the wastewater treatment plant operator, as the City's responsible official, it was the City acting as well. The Department need not prove, as suggested by the City, that it was an actual policy, written or otherwise, of the City to disregard the law and file false information on its discharge monitoring reports. Nor must the Department prove that Mr. Wabschall was directed by a higher ranking employee or official to falsify data. If the Department proved, by a preponderance of the evidence, that Mr. Wabschall had actual knowledge of the law and consciously set out to commit the violation, the penalty aggravation for flagrant conduct must be upheld.

Mr. Wabschall admitted at hearing that he had actual knowledge of the law against reporting false information during his testimony concerning the preparer's certification of accuracy on the DMR. As might be expected, Mr. Wabschall denied consciously setting out to submit false information on the discharge monitoring report. The Department must therefore prove that Mr. Wabschall's denial is not credible. To do so, the Department must show that it is more likely than not that Mr. Wabschall knew the data was false when he put it on the discharge monitoring report and submitted the DMR to the Department.

It is undisputed that the data reported on the form did not result from the analytical method required. The question remains, if, knowing that, Mr. Wabschall actually believed he was submitting true information to the Department. If he knew the information was not true and consciously chose to report it to the Department over data produced by Standard Method 5210B, than the City flagrantly committed the violation.

In determining whether Mr. Wabschall believed he was submitting true information, the Department urges the Hearing Officer to consider: (1) Mr. Wabschall's claim that he couldn't think of anything else to do when faced with obviously erroneous data, (2) his testimony regarding how he came to believe that he could estimate BOD from TSS, (3) his failure to provide any adequate explanation of how he arrived at the alleged estimates he actually reported, (4) the inconsistency of the estimates themselves, (5) the proven lack of correlation between influent BOD and TSS values at Scappoose's treatment plant, and (6) Mr. Wabschall's readily apparent belief that BOD monitoring is merely busy work, of little practical value, imposed by bureaucrats.

Mr. Wabschall claims that he was at a loss of what to do when analysis by Standard Method 5210B resulted in obviously erroneous data. The only thing he could of think of to do was fall back on his knowledge that he could estimate BOD from TSS. This knowledge was based on his "experience" and on design estimate averages for BOD and TSS in domestic wastewater intended to be used by engineers determining the capacity for new sewage treatment facilities. As far as his experience, Mr. Wabschall never specifically explained what were the

actual experiences that led him to believe that there was a correlation between influent BOD and TSS at the Scappoose plant. He admitted that he never reviewed any historical data in allegedly coming to that conclusion. The data that was reviewed for this case, covering the year 1998 and September 1999 to October 2000, shows a very poor correlation. So what exactly is this experience that Mr. Wabschall kept referring to? He never said. Mr. Wabschall also lacks credibility when he professes his dedication to professionalism and high standards on the one hand, and then claims to believe that extrapolating from general design estimates is a scientifically valid means for determining concentrations of pollutants in a specific wastewater stream.

During cross-examination, Mr. Wabschall was unable to explain how he arrived at the specific "estimates" he put on the discharge monitoring report. For example, when asked why he "estimated" influent BOD on December 9, 1998 as 100 ppm, rather than 90 ppm or 110 ppm, his only answer was that he had based it on his "experience" and what he had been taught. At best, the value of 100 ppm was an arbitrary number selected from a range of possible values. How then could Mr. Wabschall believe that number to be true? The arbitrariness of the reported influent BOD values for December 9 and 17 is further evidenced by the fact that the numbers were not arrived at in the same fashion. For December 9, the ratio of BOD to TSS is nearly 1:1, with the BOD value slightly greater. For December 17, the ratio of BOD to TSS is only .7:1. If Mr. Wabschall had been estimating, the BOD to TSS ratios would have been more consistent.

As part of its case, the City went to great effort to disparage BOD monitoring. Mr. Wabschall testified that it is of no use to him in making day to day decisions in running the treatment plant, and that from what he has heard, BOD monitoring is not often accurate even when performed correctly. Mr. Wabschall's hearsay testimony as to the validity of the BOD test lacks any probative weight as he has neither the education nor experience to pass judgment on the accuracy of the monitoring. His testimony regarding the uselessness of the monitoring, because he uses TSS results, not BOD, to make operational adjustments, is indicative of his state

 of mind when he chose to report arbitrary values for influent BOD data, rather than the data resulting from the required methodology.

If, as Mr. Wabschall testified, BOD monitoring is a mostly useless exercise, it is easy to understand why he could decide that having erroneous test results was, as he said, "not a major problem," and that reporting a fictitious number was all right so long as it too was not erroneous on its face.

BOD monitoring, however, is not a mostly useless exercise. Permittees are required to perform it so that they can calculate removal efficiencies as required by their permits. Removal efficiencies are not monitored for the purpose of figuring out when a treatment plant is nearing the end of its useful life, as Mr. Wabschall testified. Instead, as the Department's Robert Baumgartner testified, how well a plant is operating is equally important to protecting water quality as is plant meeting its effluent limitations. The effluent limitations in a permit are based on the Department's best estimate of what the best available treatment technology can achieve. The goal of the federal Clean Water Act, however, which Oregon's water quality statutes and rules are intended to implement, is to end the discharge of all pollutants to public waters. See 33 U.S.C. 1251(1). The purpose of the removal efficiency standard is to require permittees to do the best they can to minimize discharge of pollutants, and not just what they have to do to meet their effluent limitations.

Despite Mr. Wabschall's denials, the preponderance of the evidence demonstrates that Mr. Wabschall knew that the law required him to report true information on the discharge monitoring report, but that he chose instead to report data he knew to be false. As Mr. Wabschall, acting in his capacity as the City's responsible official or wastewater treatment and permit compliance, had actual knowledge of the law and consciously set out to commit the violation, the City's conduct was flagrant.

#### V. CONCLUSION

The Department asks the Hearing Officer to carefully review the facts in this case and apply the relevant law, which we believe will lead to a Proposed Order upholding the

Department's civil penalty assessment as issued. The Department is not accusing Mr. Wabschall of malicious intent. Mr. Wabschall appears to be, except for this lapse in judgment, a competent and conscientious operator. His lapse, however, was in taking it upon himself to conclude that BOD monitoring and removal efficiencies are of little practical value in protecting water quality, such that it was not particularly important that he report true and accurate values for BOD. Because of the risk this type of thinking poses to the system for protecting water quality, the Department chose to assess a civil penalty in this case.

As was made amply clear during the hearing, the Department lacks the resources to aggressively check up on permittees and make sure that they are reporting true and accurate monitoring results. The Department, and the public it serves, must be able to trust that the data reported by pollution sources is accurate if it is to fulfill its mission of restoring and protecting water quality. The City of Scappoose failed to hold up its end of the trust relationship and the Department's civil penalty is intended to be a disincentive to the City of Scappoose and other pollution sources against taking their monitoring and reporting obligations lightly.

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1	I hereby certify that I served the Hearing Memorandum within on the 10th day of
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Re: City of Scappoose (G60393)

Respondent filed motions to dismiss or for directed verdict at the conclusion of DEQ's case-in-chief on January 11, 2001. I gave DEQ time to file written argument in response to the motions, and I gave respondent time to file a rely to the response. DEQ filed its response on February 22, 2001. Respondent filed its reply on March 1, 2001.

Generally, motions to dismiss are made prior to a hearing. Motions for a directed verdict are made by a responding party at the conclusion of the moving party's case-in-chief. The fact that respondent denominates its motions as both motions to dismiss and motions for a directed verdict clouds the issues.

DEQ argues that all respondent's motions are barred by OAR 340-011-0107, by respondent's failure to plead those defenses in its answer.

I will address respondent's motions in turn.

Motion (1)(A), that DEQ failed under ORS 468.126(1) to give respondent five days' advance written warning specifying the violation prior to the penalty assessment, and that the notice of violation does not allege an exception to the five-day notice requirement.

DEQ alleges in its notice of violation that respondent acted intentionally. No advance notice is required if the alleged violation is intentional. ORS 468.126(2)(a). Respondent has cited no persuasive authority that DEQ must plead a reference to ORS 468.126(2)(a) in its notice of violation. DEQ's allegations in its notice of violation do not require that it give the advance written notice required by ORS 468.126(1). DEQ's notice of violation dated April 18, 2000 complies with ORS 183.090 and 183.415(1).

Respondent could and should have raised the issue in Motion (1)(A) either as a separate motion to dismiss filed prior to hearing, or in its answer. The issue in Motion (1)(A) goes to the sufficiency of the pleading or the notice of violation, and is a matter that can be raised by examining the face of the notice of violation itself. Respondent is precluded from raising this issue at the conclusion of DEQ's case-in-chief. Respondent's Motion (1)(A) is denied.

Motion (1)(B), that DEQ failed to allege a claim in Section IV, Paragraph 1 for which relief may be granted because DEQ has not alleged conduct that violates respondent's permit.

Respondent argues that Schedule B, Condition 1 of its NPDES permit does not impose a reporting requirement, but rather only imposes a frequency and sample-types of respondent's influent and outflow. Allegation 1 in Paragraph IV of the Notice of Violation alleges that respondent violated ORS 468B.025(2) by violating a condition of its permit. The allegation then refers to Schedule B, Condition 1 of the permit, and alleges that respondent failed to report the results of sample analysis for biological oxygen demand, and that respondent intentionally reported false sample results on its Discharge Monitoring Reports. Schedule B, Condition 1 of the permit refers to and includes "Minimum Monitoring and Reporting Requirements." Allegation 1 sufficiently states a claim. Respondent's Motion (1)(B) is denied.

Motions (2) and (3), that DEQ failed to prove its allegation, and failed to prove intentional and flagrant conduct.

Respondent's Motions (2) and (3) go to the sufficiency of the evidence presented by DEQ in its case-in-chief. Those motions are properly addressed by a motion for directed verdict, and are not matters that respondent could have or needed to plead in its answer pursuant to OAR 340-011-0107.

The test for a motion for directed verdict is whether the unrebutted evidence presented by DEQ in its case-in-chief, viewed in the light most favorable to DEQ, could lead a fact finder to conclude that respondent violated its permit by failing to report the results of sample analysis for biological oxygen demand, and whether respondent intentionally reported false sample results on its discharge monitoring report. DEQ presented sufficient evidence to meet that test. That is not to say that after respondent presents its case a fact finder will conclude that respondent acted intentionally, or that respondent's conduct should be considered flagrant for purposes of calculating any penalty that might be imposed if a violation is found. Respondent's Motions (2) and (3) are denied.

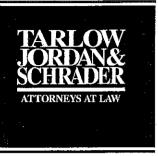
The Hearing Officer Panel staff will get in touch with the parties shortly to schedule the continued hearing in this matter.

Sincerely,

Ken L. Betterton Hearing Officer



February 28, 2001



Ken L. Betterton, Administrative Law Judge Employment Department, Hearings Section (General) Hearings Panel 875 Union St NE Salem OR 97311

Re:

In the Matter of City of Scappoose

Case No.: G60393

Our File No. 42629/30022

Dear Judge Betterton:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced matter is Respondent's Reply to Response of Oregon Department of Environmental Quality to Respondent's Motions to Dismiss (No. WQ/M-NWR-00-010, Columbia County).

Very truly yours,

TARLOW JORDAN & SCHRADER

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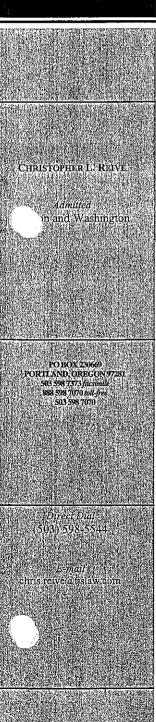
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#### 1 BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMMISSION 2 OF THE STATE OF OREGON 3 IN THE MATTER OF CITY OF Case No. G60393 SCAPPOOSE, 4 RESPONDENT'S REPLY TO RESPONSE Respondent. OF OREGON DEPARTMENT OF 5 ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY TO RESPONDENT'S MOTIONS TO DISMISS 6 (No. WQ/M-NWR-00-010, COLUMBIA COUNTY) 7 8 Respondent City of Scappoose ("Scappoose") replies to the opposition of the State of 9 Oregon Department of Environmental Quality ("DEQ") to Respondent's motions to dismiss as 10 follows: 11 I. Pleading Requirements. 12 DEQ argues that each of the motions to dismiss filed by Scappoose are barred by its 13 failure to plead those defenses in its Answer, citing OAR 340-011-0107 as its sole support. This 14 regulation is part of the Oregon Administrative Rules generally applicable to contested cases and 15 is subject to the statutory enactments of ORS 468.126, ORS 183.090 and ORS 183.415 and, of 16 course, common principals of judicial administration and equity. The regulation cited states that 17 an answer shall be filed within 21 days of the date of mailing a Notice of Violation, shall admit 18 or deny all factual matters, and shall affirmatively allege affirmative claims or defenses in 19 support thereof. The regulation also provides that except for good cause shown failure to raise 20 a claim or defense shall be presumed a waiver. OAR 340-011-0107 (2)(d) also provides that 21 subject to ORS 183.415(10) evidence shall not be taken on any issue not raised in the Notice 22 and Answer. 23 ORS 183.415(10) provides as follows: 24 The officer presiding at the hearing shall ensure that the record developed at the hearing shows a full and fair inquiry 25 into the facts necessary for consideration of all issues properly

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before the presiding officer in the case.

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2 By its motions, Respondent has addressed the issue of DEQ's failure to satisfy its legal 3 burden of properly pleading and proving its case. These issues are raised for the first time after **DEQ** rested its case because they are not relevant or complete until that time. Indeed, to the 4 5 extent the matters raised by Respondent address fundamental pleading and service concepts such 6 as the necessary notice due Respondent as a matter of law and proof concepts such as DEQ's 7 failure to offer any direct evidence on Respondent's state of mind (intent), these are not defenses 8 at all. These issues are essential elements of DEQ's prima facie case. They arise and become 9 relevant only after DEQ has had a full and fair opportunity to plead, discover, and present its 10 case, which DEQ had in this case. 11 For example, Respondent has pointed out that DEQ has utterly failed in its statutory and 12 regulatory obligation to give Respondent notice of its intent to rely on a statutory exemption to 13 assess a civil penalty without prior written warning. Such clear prior written notice is required

regulatory obligation to give Respondent notice of its intent to rely on a statutory exemption to assess a civil penalty without prior written warning. Such clear prior written notice is required by the legislature and the EQC as a matter of pleading and proof because such notice is essential to the protection of recognized property interests of Respondents who are presumed by law to be unaware of their rights without such prior warnings. Under this presumption, to require a Respondent to plead in advance a "defense" about which it has no presumed knowledge, and to therefore exempt DEQ from the obligation to give such notice because Respondent's lack of knowledge results in failure to raise the issue by a prior pleading, is to nullify the protections the legislature declared essential.

Moreover, and as shown above, even if the Hearing Officer declares that such circumstances are defenses as contemplated by the regulation cited by DEQ, Respondent (unlike DEQ) has not rested its case. Any failure to raise a defense in an answer is not an absolute wavier of that defense until Respondent has rested and declared its proof complete. Defenses may be added by amendment to the answer for good cause. The Hearing Officer has discretion

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1	pursuant to the statute to hear all evidence necessary to ensure that the record constitutes a full
2	and fair inquiry into all issues under consideration. For example, In the Matter of: Donna
3	Bergquist, DBA Callahan's Siskiyou Lodge, 2000 WL 33153135, the Respondent's affirmative
4	defenses where addressed and ruled on by the Hearing Officer notwithstanding the fact that they
5	were not raised in the Respondent's answer. The written decision in that case indicates that DEC
6	waived the pleading requirement of OAR 340-011-0107(2) in accordance with the Department of
7	Justice Legal Memorandum of October 31, 2000. Scappoose requests only the same
8	consideration, if required at all.
9	At its core, the lack of advance notice by DEQ in this instance is a fundamental policy
10	consideration which the Hearing Officer has discretion under the law to take into account
11	regardless of any technical pleading defect. ORS 468.126(1) provides that no civil penalty
12	prescribed under ORS 468.140 shall be imposed until the permittee has received five days'
13	advance warning in writing from the Department. ORS 183.090(2) provides that a person
14	against whom a civil penalty is to be imposed shall be served with a notice in the form
15	provided in ORS 183.415. ORS 183.415(2) mandates what that Notice must include, and
16	Subsection (c) mandates that the Notice include a reference to the particular statutes and
17	rules involved, as well as a short and plain statement of the matters asserted or charged.
18	The form of Notice served by the DEQ in this case, and the proof offered by DEQ at the
19	hearing on its compliance with these statutory requirements as a predicate to being able to assess
20	any civil penalty in this matter at all, is simply defective. DEQ's failure was complete when it
21	rested its case, and disallowance of the benefit of a civil penalty is mandated by law. This is not
22	a technical pleading issue. This is an issue of fundamental fairness at the core of administrative
23	law and procedure.
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. 1	II.	Advance notice was required and DEQ cannot	ot benefit from exception.	
2	DEQ o	cites Doherty v. Oregon Water Resources Directo	pr, 758 P2d 865 (1988), as support	
3	for its position	n that it need not have notified Scappoose of its in	ntent to assess a civil penalty nor	
4	alleged in its l	Notice the reason for its failure to notify. The fac	ets of <i>Doherty</i> are distinguishable	
5	from those in	the instant case because no civil penalty was ass	sessed in that case. At issue in	
6	Doherty was a hearing notice precedent to the issuance of an order regarding water withdrawa			
7	from a critical ground water area. In that case, the DEQ's notice expressly referred to			
8	ORS 537.730(1)(a), but did expressly refer to ORS 537.730(1)(d). On appeal the Court held t			
9	the notice was	s sufficient and there was no violation of ORS 18	3.415(2)(c). This case is	
10	inapplicable in	n that it does not involve a Notice of Violation ar	nd Assessment of Civil Penalty.	
11	In con	trast, and notwithstanding DEQ's misleading cha	racterizations of the case law cited	
12	by Responden	nt, these cases are on point and mandate dismissal	l of the violation. The EQC in	
13	DEQ v. Bill R	. Labenske, Jr., DBA Guarantee Construction, 19	989 WL 120777 (1989) declares	
14	that DEQ cam	not simply rest on its conclusion that a violation i	is intentional, but must	
15	affirmatively	act with respect to its Notice to entitle itself to the	e use of the intentional violation	
16	exception to th	he advance notice requirement.		
17		DEQ contends that it was not required to prior to assessment in this case, because the violent		
18	·	intentional. Even if the exception for intention otherwise applicable under the case facts, DE	nal violations were	
19		to avail itself of the exception as required by	-	
20	Id., 1989 WL	120777, 2 (emphasis added).		
21	In orde	er to avail itself of the exception, the applicable s	tatutes and the EQC's regulations	
22	require DEQ's	s Notice to include both a reference to the partic	ular sections of the statutes and	
23	rules involved	l and a short and plain statement of the matter ass	serted or charged. In Labenske the	
24	DEQ failed to	do both. DEQ failed to reference the specific sta	atutory exception to the advance	
25	notice requires	ment and it also failed to plainly state that the all	eged violation was intentional.	
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RESPONDENT'S MOTIONS TO DISMISS

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1	The quotation cited by DEQ in footnote 2 of its Response bears repeating:
2	DEQ failed to advise <i>Guarantee</i> that an intentional violation was charged and failed to advise that intention was
3	DEQ's justification for omitting the advance notice to which Guarantee would otherwise be entitled.
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5	Id., (emphasis added).
6	DEQ has committed the same error with respect to Respondent in this case. Insertion
7	alone of the adjective "intentional" in Section IV, paragraph 1 of the Notice, without a specific
8	reference to the statutory subsection excepting intentional violations from the advanced notice
9	requirement, and without a short and plain statement of DEQ's justification for omitting advance
10	notice to which Scappoose would otherwise be entitled, violates the EQC ruling in Labenske. As
11	a result, DEQ failed to avail itself of the benefit of the statutory exception.
12	In its Response, DEQ argues that DEQ v. Neu-Glo Candles, Inc., 1988 WL 163165
13	(1988), is wholly limited by the facts of that particular case. The ruling in Neu-Glo is simple.
14	The Respondent was determined not to be liable as cited for violation of rules pertaining asbestos
15	removal requirements, in part, because DEQ did not give five days' advance notice that a penalty
16	would be imposed and was not excused from the duty to provide that notice. The opinion states
17	that:
18	DEQ did not provide 5 days advance notice. Therefore DEQ must prove its duty to provide the notice was excused.
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20	DEQ has a further notice burden. It is to allege in its assessment document a statement of its intent to rely on a statutory exception to its duty to provide advance notice.
21	better of the two to provide any maner and the
22	Id., 1988 WL 163165, 3 (emphasis added).
23	The decision could not be clearer. It repeatedly states that the agency is obliged to
24	affirmatively allege its basis for avoiding a statutory notice requirement and that by failing
25	to so allege "DEQ failed to satisfy the duties imposed by ORS 183.415(2)(c) and (d) and

RESPONDENT'S MOTIONS TO DISMISS

1	cannot gain the benefit of that exception." Id., 1988 WL 163165, 4 (emphasis added).
2	Moreover, even if DEQ had proved a violation of the asbestos removal requirements in effect at
3	the time of that violation, the decision held that "notice failures would preclude exaction of a
4	penalty." Id., 1988 WL 163165, 4 (emphasis added).
5	The factual circumstances of this case are remarkably similar. DEQ chose not to give
6	five days' written notice of its intent to assess a penalty. Yet, its assessment document in this
7	case is silent as to any allegation regarding advance notice. It does not allege that advance notice
8	was given under the statute; nor does it allege that advance notice was not required because
9	Scappoose's conduct was intentional. Neither does the assessment document refer to the
10	"particular sections of the statutes and rules" which it argues entitles it to forego five days'
11	advance notice.
12	Not only must DEQ satisfy the initial notice burden of alleging its intent to rely on a
13	specific statutory exception to its duty, it must also establish that the section alleged applies to
14	the facts in a given case. In other words, the burden is on DEQ to not only allege in its
15	assessment document with sufficient specificity the statutory exception to the notice requirement
16	it relies upon; it must also satisfy the burden of proof that the alleged exception is applicable. In
17	the present case, DEQ failed on both accounts. DEQ's assessment document fails to adequately
18	allege its intention to rely on the intentional violation exception and DEQ further failed to
19	establish any intentional violation. In its case in chief presented on January 11, 2001, DEQ
20	failed to establish that Scappoose committed any intentional violation of its NPDES Permit.
21	Therefore, no civil penalty can be imposed.
22	ORS 468.126(2)(a) provides that no advance notice shall be required under subsection (1)
23	of the statute if "the violation is intentional." Advance notice is not excused for any intentional
24	"conduct," only intentional conduct which constitutes a "violation." DEQ's Notice of Violation,

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Section IV, Paragraph 1 states at line 4 that:

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1	Respondent intentionally reported false sample results on its discharge monitoring report.
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3	Such conduct was not proved to have occurred or to have violated any permit provision cited by
. 4	DEQ in its Notice. The alleged violation No. 1 is the only allegation subject to an attempt to
5	assess a civil penalty. DEQ cited permit Schedule B, Condition 1, as the basis for the alleged
6	violation and penalty. In spite of considerable testimony regarding the language of that permit
7	provision, and about Schedule B, Condition 2 (which was not pleaded at all), no witness could
8	reference a single provision in the cited permit condition that had been violated by Respondent's
9	alleged conduct. DEQ's witness declared that a 'failure' to report laboratory analytical results,
10	regardless of the known inaccuracy of the results, violated the permit. Yet, on cross-
11	examination, that same witness conceded that no such requirement to report sampling results
12	exists in the cited permit provision. DEQ had every opportunity to amend its Notice to correct
13	its error and to offer additional proof on the existence of a violation of Permit Schedule B,
14	Condition 1. It did not, and DEQ's allegation fails a matter of proof.
15	III. DEQ has not established a violation of the Permit.
16	In response to DEQ's written argument in Section C of its opposition to Respondent's
17	motions to dismiss, Respondent incorporates its comments above. DEQ describes alleged
18	violations of General Condition C.1, General Condition C.3, General Condition C.6, General
19	Condition D.6, General Condition D.7 and General Condition 8. None of the above Permit
20	provisions referred to in DEQ's Response where even mentioned in its Notice of Violation, or at
21	the hearing. No testimony was presented on these new claims, and no notice given to
22	Respondent or the Hearing Officer of such reliance on these provisions. And, DEQ has rested its
23	case. The case record is clear. DEQ has neither proved its pleaded claim, nor is it now entitled
24	to prove unpleaded claims.
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### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE 1 I hereby certify that on the 28th of February 2001, I filed an original of RESPONDENT'S 2 REPLY TO RESPONSE OF OREGON DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY 3 TO RESPONDENT'S MOTIONS TO DISMISS with Ken L. Betterton, Employment 4 Department, Hearings Section, General, Hearings Panel, 875 Union Street NE, Salem, Oregon 5 97311, by Federal Express, and served a copy thereof by first class mail to: 6 7 Lynne A. Perry Assistant Attorney General 8 Department of Justice, General Counsel Division 1162 Court Street NE 9 Salem OR 97301-4096 10 Department of Environmental Quality **Enforcement Section** 11 Jeff Bachman 2020 SW Fourth Ave Ste 400 12 Portland OR 97201-4987 13 DATED: February 28, 2001. 14 15 16 Christopher L. Reive, OSB #83305 (503) 598-7070 17 Attorney for City of Scappoose 18 19 20 21 22 23 24



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February 22, 2001

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Re:

City of Scappoose: Case No. G60393

DEQ No: WQ/M-NWR-00-010 DOJ File No. 340310-GN0055-01

Dear Mr. Betterton:

Enclosed please find the Response of Oregon Department of Environmental Quality to the Motions to Dismiss of Respondent City of Scappoose.

Sincerely,

Lynne Perry

Assistant Attorney General Natural Resources Section

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Enclosure
c (by fax and mail - w/encl.): Christopher L. Reive, Attorney at Law
Jeff Bachman, DEQ

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8 9 10	TEET ON EARTH STATE	ONS TO DISMISS
11	The Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) responds	to the Motions to
12	Dismiss of Respondent City of Scappoose (Respondent) as follows:	
13	DISCUSSION	
14	14 I. Respondent's defenses are barred by failure to plead them in its	s answer.
15	Each of the matters raised by Respondent in its motions are barred by	oy Respondent's
16	failure to plead those defenses in its answer as required by OAR 340-011-0	107. OAR 340-011-
17	17 0107(2) provides in relevant part as follows:	
18 19	allege any and all affirmative claims or defenses the party may have	
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1	Respondent's May 8, 2000 answer raises only one affirmative defense:
2	"For purposes of DEQ's calculation of the amount of the civil penalty assessed, the magnitude of violation and the "R" factor are not appropriate for the violation alleged in Section IV, paragraph 1." (Answer, ¶ 10.)
4	Respondent has not offered any basis in law or in fact for raising defenses in its motions
5	that were not timely raised in its answer. For that reason, each of the motions to dismiss should
6	be denied.
7	II. Response to Motion 1.
8	A. DEQ was not required to give five days' advance notice.
9	Respondent asserts that the allegations in Notice Section IV, ¶ 1 are insufficient as a
10	matter of law because DEQ failed to plead expressly its reliance on one of the exceptions to the
11	five-day notice requirement enumerated in ORS 468.126(2). The level of specificity Responden
12	seeks is not required.
13	ORS 468.126(1) requires five days' advance written notice of civil penalties imposed for
<b>[</b> 4	violation of water permits. The notice requirement is, however, subject to several exceptions, as
15	noted in subsection (2). ORS 468.126(2)(a) expressly provides that advance notice is not
16	required if the alleged violation is intentional.
17	DEQ's notice expressly states that it is issued pursuant to ORS 468.126. Notice Section
18	IV, ¶ 1 further alleges an intentional violation:
19	"On or about December 9 and 17, 1998, Respondent violated ORS 468B.025(2) by
violating a condition of its Permit. Specifically, Respondent violated Schedule Condition 1. Respondent <i>intentionally</i> reported false sample results on its Disc	
21	Monitoring Report. These are Class I violations pursuant to OAR 340-012-0055(1)(m)." (Emphasis added.)
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24 25 26	Respondent also purports to reserve the right to raise additional defenses prior to hearing (answer ¶11), but it is evident from OAR 340-011-0107 that Respondent is not entitled to do so.

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1	ORS 183.415(2) requires nothing more. Doherty v. Oregon Water Resources Director,
2	92 Or App 22, 33-34, 758 P2d 865 (Or App 1988)(rejecting argument that notice inadequate for
3	failure to specify a statutory subsection because text of notice and reference to statute as a whole
4	made the relationship between the subsections "obvious").2
5	Respondent cites four earlier hearings officer rulings in which DEQ was deemed not to
6	have given the required five days' advance. Each is factually distinguishable. In DEQ v.
7	Thomas H. Scott, 1990 WL 283207 (1990), DEQ simply failed to present evidence establishing
8	that the violation fell within the exception in ORS 468.126(2) on which it relied. In $DEQ \nu$ .
9	Elliot-Jochimsen Construction, Inc., 1988 WL 167438 (1988), the exception upon which DEQ
10	relied was not found in DEQ's rule with respect to the five-day notice (OAR 340-012-0040).
11	Thus, DEQ failed to satisfy the independent notice requirement in its rule.
12	In DEQ v. Neu-Glo Candles, Inc., 1988 WL 163165 (1988), DEQ asserted that the
13	violation alleged fell within two of the enumerated exceptions, those in (2)(b) and (2)(e). DEQ
14	did not attempt to prove that the violation fell within (2)(b). Further, DEQ neither alleged a
15	violation subject to the exception in (2)(e) nor satisfied the independent notice requirement in
16	OAR 340-012-0040. The text of Neu-Glo Candles cited by Respondent is wholly dependent on
17	and limited by the facts of that particular case. <sup>3</sup> Finally, in Labenske, the hearings officer
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20	<sup>2</sup> The ruling in DEQ v. Bill R. Labenske, Jr., dba Guarantee Construction, 1989 WL 12077 (1989) is not
21	inconsistent with Doherty. In Labenske, the hearings officer noted that:
22	"In keeping with ORS 183.415, DEQ's notice was required to include a short and plain statement that Guarantee's violation was intentional. By failing to include that statement, or a reference to ORS
23	468.125(2)(a), DEQ failed to advise Guarantee that an intentional violation was charged and failed to advise that intention was DEQ's justification for omitting the advance notice to which Guarantee would
24	otherwise be entitled." (Emphasis added.)
25	Here, DEQ expressly alleged that the violation was intentional.
26	<sup>3</sup> This is evident from <i>Doherty</i> , which pre-dates <i>Neu-Glo</i> , as well as from <i>Labenske</i> , a case decided by the very same hearings officer only one year later.

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1	determined that although DEQ relied on the exception in (2)(a) for intentional violations, DEQ
2	had failed either to allege or to prove an intentional act.
3	In sum, these cases are simply not on point where, as here, the notice not only references
4	the statute involved but also alleges an intentional violation. Further, unlike the cases cited, the
5	exception for intentional violations in ORS 468.126(2)(a) is wholly consistent with the exception
6	found in DEQ's notice rule, OAR 340-012-0040(2)(a).
7	B. DEQ properly alleged a claim upon which relief can be granted.
8	Respondent asserts that DEQ failed to allege a claim in Section IV, Paragraph 1 for
9	which relief can be granted. Section IV, Paragraph 1 alleges that Respondent violated ORS
10	468B.025(2) by violating a condition of its permit. Paragraph 1 further describes the violation
11	alleged, namely, that Respondent failed to report the results of the analysis of its biolochemical
12	oxygen demand (BOD) sample and reported false results on its discharge monitoring report
13	(DMR). Nothing more is required.
14	As Respondent points out, ORS 183.415(2)(c) and (d) require a reference to the statutes
15	involved and "a short and plain statement of the matters asserted or charged." DEQ need not
16	reference the specific permit condition by number at all.
17	Further, Schedule B, Condition 1 pertains to the minimum monitoring and reporting
18	requirements to which Respondent is subject. The allegation is not that Respondent failed to
19	deliver a report, but that the Respondent reported something other than the results derived from
20	the sampling required by Schedule B, Condition 1. Thus, the allegation in Section IV,
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2 C. DEQ has established a violation of the permit. 3 Respondent also alleges a failure of proof. DEQ understands Respondent to argue that 4 despite the monitoring and reporting requirements in the permit, Respondent is at liberty to 5 deliver other, fictitious information when it has reason to believe that the required monitoring 6 results are not representative for one reason or another. It relies on the purported Hobson's 7 choice between knowingly submitting inaccurate information and providing a guess that it 8 believes to be more representative. Both the permit conditions and the evidence introduced at 9 hearing demonstrate, however, that the purported dilemma is not real, and any 10 apparent dilemma was solely attributable to Respondent's noncompliance with other permit 11 terms and inadequate training of its employees. 12 The permit expressly provides that the sampling and measurements taken shall be 13 representative of the volume and nature of the monitored discharge. General Condition C.1. In 14 an effort to assure accuracy, the permittee must conduct its monitoring according to specified test procedures. General Condition C.3.4 To the extent that Respondent's data was in error, the 15 16 errors were attributable to Respondent's failure to follow the required procedures. (Ex. 102.) 17 But regardless of the cause of the inaccuracy, the permit makes plain the permittee's 18 obligation to provide accurate information and report noncompliance. General Conditions D.6 19 and D.7 require the permittee to report any noncompliance on the discharge monitoring report 20 (DMR) and to correct information if it becomes aware that it has submitted inaccurate 21 information in an earlier report. (The obvious corollary being that the permittee should notify 22 DEQ of inaccurate 23 /// 24 /// 25 <sup>4</sup> The permittee is also at liberty to conduct additional, nonrequired monitoring, in which case the permittee would be expected to submit both sets of monitoring results. General Condition C.6. 26

Paragraph 1 is proper and states a claim for which relief can be granted.

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1 information if it is already aware of a problem at the time the information is submitted). General 2 Condition 8 requires that the DMR include a signed certification to the effect that the information is accurate and complete. 3 4 When Respondent suspected that its results were not accurate or representative, it merely needed to note fact on the DMR. Here, however, Respondent neither reported the initial results 5 nor reported the potential discrepancy. It merely made up results to replace those it believed 6 flawed and then certified the fictitious numbers to be accurate-- without alerting DEQ. That 8 approach was not an option. 9 Further, that approach is unsupported by the evidence introduced at the hearing. DEQ 10 not only proved that Mr. Wabschall, Respondent's wastewater plant superintendent, had other 11 options, it also proved that he had no reason to believe or assume that the December 9, 1998 and 12 December 17, 1998 influent BOD results he reported were accurate, (much less more accurate 13 than those derived from the required analyses). 14 Respondent claims that Mr. Wabschall relied on training received from, or guidance 15 materials provided by, Holly Ploetz, a community college instructor. Testifying for Respondent, 16 Ms. Ploetz stated that she teaches her students that in domestic sewage a relationship exists between total suspended solids (TSS) results and BOD results. According to Ms. Ploetz, if a 17 18 treatment plant operator does not observe a relationship between these two parameters over time, 19 that should prompt the operator to question the validity of the data. 20 Respondent asserts that Mr. Wabschall took this instruction (i. e. to question the validity 21 of the data) as a license not only to report BOD values he had "estimated" from TSS results but 22 also to certify those values as "true, accurate, and complete." There is no evidence to justify this 23 approach. Ms. Ploetz herself testified that she never instructs her students that they can use TSS 24 /// 25 /// /// 26 RESPONSE OF OREGON DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL, QUALITY TO Page 6 -RESPONDENT'S MOTIONS TO DISMISS

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Ploetz would not know "how" one would go about making such an estimate. Instead, Ms. 2 3 Ploetz admitted that she is unaware of any equation or formula for estimating BOD from TSS. 4 any regulation which allows sources to do so, or any scientific or technical journal articles or papers which recommend it.<sup>5</sup> Thus, regardless of his sincerity, Mr. Wabschall had no reasonable 5 6 basis for assuming that the December 9, 1998 and December 17, 1998 BOD numbers he derived 7 from the influent TSS results and then reported on the DMR were accurate, or even close. 8 Respondent also claims that Mr. Wabschall could not think of anything else to do when 9 confronted with a reporting obligation and what he believed to be invalid analytical results. As 10 Ms. Ploetz, DEQ Environmental Engineer Jim Sheetz, and Mr. Baumgartner all testified, it is not 11 uncommon for treatment plant operators to run into problems performing analyses and end up 12 with results that they suspect are invalid. Mr. Sheetz and Mr. Baumgartner each testified that the 13 "common practice" among permittees in these situations is to report the actual test results and 14 "flag" the data on the DMR so DEQ understands that the data is questionable. If questionable 15 data is flagged, reporting of that data is not considered a violation. Ms. Ploetz testified that in 16 her classes and workshops, she instructs her students that when confronted with invalid test 17 results, they should report the actual test results, but identify the results as an estimate. 18 /// 19 /// 20 /// 21 22 23 <sup>5</sup> By contrast, Robert Baumgartner, a water quality program manager for DEQ, testified that there is no 24 statistical correlation between BOD and TSS either in general or with respect to Respondent's case. DEQ introduced into evidence a graph plotting all the influent BOD and TSS values reported by Respondent for 1998, the 25 year in which the violations occurred. The graph shows no relationship or correlation between influent TSS and

results to estimate and report BOD. In fact, the evidence introduced at hearing indicates that Ms.

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BOD results.

1	In short, Respondent's argument is premised on its assertion that Mr. Wabschall
2	"learned" that he could estimate BOD from TSS from Ms. Ploetz (based only on her instruction
3	that an absence of a relationship between BOD and TSS should prompt him to question the data
4	and despite the fact that she apparently provided no "instruction" on making such an estimate)
5	but that he (and the City's other operators) simultaneously failed to learn from her that they
6	should report test results they believe to be invalid in a way that would alert DEQ to that fact.
7	Further, Mr. Wabschall, who according to Ms. Ploetz, is an experienced operator, also failed to
8	conjure up this common practice solution on his own or to call DEQ for guidance.
9	At best, Respondent's defense seems to be "good intentions." The difficulty with this
10	defense is readily apparent. Respondent argues that a permittee in its position is entitled to alter
11	or "adjust" its monitoring results before submission and without alerting DEQ to the
12	"adjustment," based only on that permittee's belief, whether well-founded or not, that its
13	monitoring results are not "right." Taking that argument to its logical conclusion, determinations
14	as to permit "compliance" would then be based solely on the integrity or intent of the person
15	making the adjustment, rather than the basis for or accuracy of the adjustment or the actual
16	quality of the wastewater being discharged. If the permittee is deemed well-intentioned (by what
17	standard is unclear), the permittee would not be in violation. This position is cleary
18	unsupportable.
19	D. DEQ has proved intentional conduct.
20	Respondent asserts that the violation in Section IV, Paragraph 1 should be dismissed for
21	failure to prove intentional or flagrant conduct. That is not the case. It is undisputed that
22	Respondent intentionally entered "adjusted" data on a discharge monitoring report and
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- 1 intentionally submitted that report to DEQ. The result of the conduct was to cause the adjusted 2 data to be reported to DEQ in lieu of the data derived from the required monitoring. Respondent had the conscious objective to achieve that result when it acted. That's sufficient. Respondent 3 4 need not have, and DEQ need not prove, a conscious objective to violate the law in order to 5 establish an intentional violation. In the Matter of Pacific Air Helicopters, Inc., 1997 WL 6 276631 (Or Env Qual Com. 1997)(an "intentional" violation "does not mean that the 7 [Respondent] had to intentionally violate the law, but only consciously engage in the conduct 8 that led to the violation."). Thus, DEQ has proved an intentional violation as alleged in Section 9 IV, Paragraph 1 of the Notice. 10 A flagrant violation requires that one have knowledge of the law and consciously set out 11 to commit the violation. DEQ believes that it has proved a flagrant violation in this case and, as 12 a result, its penalty assessment is correct. If, however, the Hearings Officer determines 13 otherwise, the appropriate consequence is not dismissal but merely adjustment of the penalty by 14 adjusting the penalty factor "R," from "flagrant" to "intentional." 15 III. Response to Motion 2 16 A. Respondent is liable for the accurate completion of discharge monitoring reports. 17 Respondent argues in its second motion that it cannot be held liable for the intentional 18 conduct of its employees. It is unclear, however, that the concept of vicarious liability is even 19 relevant here. First, DEQ has not alleged a tort but rather a statutory violation attributable to 20 Respondent's failure to comply with its own permit. The statute and the permit impose an 21 obligation to perform certain acts upon Respondent. Respondent assigned certain of those acts to 22 an employee. That employee was Mr. Wabschall, who is identified as the "Responsible Official" 23 /// 24 /// 25 ///
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on Respondent's NPDES permit application. (Attached as Exhibit A.) Having done so, Respondent cannot reasonably disavow itself of Mr. Wabschall's performance of those acts.<sup>6</sup> 2 Second, Respondent cannot simultaneously deny wrongdoing and assert that a tort has 3 been committed. Respondent asserts that "[i]t timely and regularly monitored the quality of the 5 influent and outfall on the approved form with the intent of conveying as accurate a representation of that quality as was possible under the circumstances." (Motion 1, at 7; 7 Emphasis in original.) Having argued that the intentional acts accomplished through its 8 employee were reasonable and within the law, Respondent cannot claim that the very same acts 9 are tortious acts for which it should not be held liable. 10 Third, without conceding that the concept of vicarious liability is even applicable under 11 these circumstances, the relevant inquiry leaves no question that Respondent is liable for the acts 12 of its employee. The case of Bray v. American Property Management Corp. (159 Or App 356) 13 relied upon by Respondent was subsequently vacated by the Oregon Supreme Court. Bray, 329 Or 317, 984 P2d 854. The case was remanded to the Court of Appeals for further consideration 14 15 in light of two intervening rulings by the Supreme Court: Fearing v. Bucher, 328 Or 367, 977 16 P2d 1163 (1999) and Lourim v. Swenson, 328 Or 380, 977 P2d 1157 (1999). 17 The more recent cases, Bray included, clarify that the focus of the inquiry is not whether 18 the employee was acting in the interest of the employer or whether the employee was hired to 19 carry out the tortious act but rather whether the complained of acts resulted from or were an 20 outgrowth of the exercise of the employee's duties. Harris v. Pameco, 170 Or App 164 (2000); 21 /// 22 /// 23 <sup>6</sup> Respondent appears to be between a rock and a hard place. If Respondent succeeds in disavowing itself 24 from the acts of this employee, Respondent has arguably opened itself up to further liability, in that it has failed to fulfill the permit obligations otherwise performed by this employee. In other words, if it did not intend to rely on the 25 monitoring and reporting of this employee, or an employee working in this capacity, Respondent is roughly 7-8

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years behind in its monitoring and reporting obligations.

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Bray, 164 Or App 134, 138-39, 988 P2d 933 (1999) (employer liable if acts within the scope of 1 2 employment resulted in the acts that led to the injury). 3 As the Court of Appeals noted in Barrington v. Sandberg, 164 Or App 292, 295, 991 P2d 4 1071(1999) (Citing Fearing, 328 Or at 377): 5 "The essential point is that the performance of the employee's duties must be a necessary precursor to the misconduct and that the misconduct must be a direct outgrowth of, and 6 have been engendered by, conduct that was within the scope of the employee's employment. It is not necessary that the misconduct itself be of a kind that the employer 7 hired the employee to perform." (Emphasis added.) 8 The reports at issue were prepared by the Superintendent in charge of the wastewater 9 treatment plant that is the subject of the permit. As noted above, Respondent asserts that the 10 intent was to convey as accurate a representation of the water quality as possible. Mr. 11 Wabschall's act of reporting monitoring results—hopefully, as accurately as possible—was 12 necessarily within the scope of his employment and accomplished in the performance of those 13 duties. (See Exhibit A.) DEQ need not establish that Respondent actually hired or directed Mr. 14 Wabschall to falsify or "adjust" the reports. 15 Thus, although the applicability of a vicarious liability theory is questionable under the 16 circumstances, there is ample evidence in the record to establish that preparation and submission 17 of the reports on Respondent's behalf was squarely within the scope of Mr. Wabschall's job 18 duties. 19 /// 20 /// 21 /// 22 /// 23 /// 24 /// 25 /// 26 /// Page 11 - RESPONSE OF OREGON DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY TO

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#### **CONCLUSION**

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2	For the reasons cited herein, Respondent's motions to dismiss should be denied.
3	DATED this 22 day of February 2001.
4	Respectfully submitted,
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#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the 22nd day of February 2001, I filed an original of the RESPONSE OF OREGON DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY TO RESPONDENT'S MOTIONS TO DISMISS with Ken L. Betterton, Employment Department, Hearings Section, General, Hearing Panel, 875 Union Street NE, Salem, Oregon 97311, by hand delivery, and served a copy thereof by facsimile and first class mail on:

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# ORIGINAL

1	1 BEFORE THE ENVIRONMEN'	TAL QUALITY COMMISSION
2	2 OF THE STATI	E OF OREGON
3	CITY OF SCAPPOOSE, )	Case No. WQ/M-NWR-00-010
5	Respondent. ) 5	RESPONDENT'S MOTIONS TO DISMISS OR FOR DIRECTED VERDICT
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13		on No. 1, which is the subject of the civil
14	penalty Department seeks to impose	e, is deficient and must be dismissed.
15	It is undisputed that Scappoose was not g	iven five (5) days' advance warning, in writing,
16	from the Department specifying the violation price	or to the subject penalty assessment, and the
17	Notice of Violation does not allege an exception	or excuse to the statutory five (5) day notice
18	requirement. As a result, the Department's allega	ations in Section IV, Paragraph 1, for which it
19	seeks the assessment of a civil penalty, are insuff	icient as a matter of law.
20	Moreover, and as an independent basis for	r dismissal of the alleged violations referenced
21	in Section IV, Paragraph 1, the conduct described	therein and the proof offered by the
22	Department at the hearing on this matter does not	constitute a violation of Scappoose's National
23	Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES	S) Permit.
24	(A) Advance Notice Requirement.	
25	ORS 468.126(1) requires the Department	to give Scappoose five (5) days' advance

1	warning in writing before any civil penalty can be assessed against it, subject only to the
2	exceptions set out in ORS 468.126(2). These statutes provide in pertinent part:
3	(1) No civil penalty proscribed under ORS 468.140 shall
4	be imposed for a violation of an air, water or solid waste permit issued by the Department of Environmental Quality until the
5	permittee has received five (5) days' advance warning in writing from the Department, specifying the violation and stating that a
6	penalty will be imposed for the violation unless the permittee submits the following to the Department in writing within five (5)
7	working days after receipt of the advanced warning
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8	<ul><li>(2) No advance notice shall be required under subsection</li><li>(1) of this section if:</li></ul>
9	(a) The violation is intentional;
10	(b) The water or air violation would not normally occur for five (5) consecutive days;
11	(c) The permittee has received prior advanced warning of any violation of the permit within the 36 months immediately
12	preceding the violation; (d) The permittee is subject to the federal operating
1.0	permit program under ORS 468A.300 to 468A.320 and violates
13	any rule or standard adopted or permit or order issued under ORS 468A and applicable to the permittee; or
14	(e) The requirement to provide such notice would
15	disqualify a State program from federal approval or delegation.
16	ORS 468.126.
17	ORS 183.090 provides that an agency may only impose a civil penalty after giving notice
18	to the person against whom such a penalty is being imposed in accordance with the provisions
19	set forth in ORS 183.415. ORS 183.415(1) requires that in contested cases all parties shall be
20	afforded an opportunity for hearing after reasonable notice, served personally or by registered or
21	certified mail. ORS 183.415(2) requires that such notice include: (a) a statement of the party's
22	right to hearing or a statement of the time and place of the hearing; (b) a statement of the
23	authority and jurisdiction under which the hearing is to be held; (c) a reference to the particular
24	sections of the statutes and rules involved; and (d) a short and plain statement of the matters
25	asserted or charged. The failure to give such advance notice in the pleading filed by the

1	Department has been declared by the Environmental Quality Commission (EQC) to be grounds
2	for dismissal of attempts by the Department to assess civil penalties.
3	For example, in the matter of DEQ v. Bill R. Labenske, Jr., dba Guarantee Construction,
4	1989 WL 12077 (1989), the Respondent appealed a Notice of Assessment of Civil Penalty and a
5	hearing was held before the EQC, which dismissed the Notice of Assessment because the
6	Department failed to provide five days' advance notice of its intent to assess a penalty as
7	required by the statute. The EQC held further that the Department did not establish an exception
8	to its duty to provide five days' notice in that it failed to allege or prove an intentional violation
9	excusing its duty.
10	Similarly, and more directly on point to this case, in the matter of DEQ v. Neu-Glo
11	Candles, Inc., 1988 WL 163165 (1988), the Department issued a Notice of Assessment of Civil
12	Penalty alleging violation of five provisions of its former rules relating to Emission Standards
13	and Procedural Requirements for Asbestos. The Respondent answered the notice, denied the
14	allegations, and requested a hearing. The decision, following a hearing before the EQC, declared
15	that Respondent was not liable as cited for the violations or for a civil penalty, because the
16	Department did not provide five days' advance notice that a penalty would be imposed and it
17	was not excused from its duty to provide such advance notice. Moreover, for those claims where
18	the Department failed to even plead such an excuse in its Notice of Assessment, the claims were
19	deficient and judgment was entered for the Respondent. The opinion declares in relevant part:
20	DEQ did not provide 5 days' advance notice. Therefore, DEQ must prove its duty to provide the notice was excused.
21	DEQ has a further notice burden. It is to allege in its
22	assessment document a statement of its intent to rely on a statutory exception to its duty to provide advance notice.
23	ORS 183.415(2) provides that the assessment document must include:
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1	(c) A reference to the particular sections of the statutes and rules involved; and
2	(d) A short and plain statement of the matters asserted
3	or changed. ORS 183.415(2)(c) and (d).
	DEQ did allege but did not attempt to prove the exception
4	contained in ORS 468.125(2)(b). DEQ did not allege the
5	exception in ORS 468.125(2)(e) for penalties involving asbestos fiber releases. By failing to allege ORS 468.125(2)(e) DEQ
_	failed to satisfy the duties imposed by ORS 183.415(2)(c)
6	and (d) and cannot gain the benefit from that exception.
7	The agency's view of the importance of providing formal
0	notice of defenses to be employed at a hearing is illustrated by
8	OAR 340-11-107(2) which provides in pertinent part:
9	'(1) Answer Required: Consequences of Failure to
10	Answer.
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11	(2) In the answer the party shall admit or deny all
12	factual matters and shall affirmatively allege any and all
12	affirmative claims or defenses the party may have and the reasoning in support thereof.'
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14	Similarly, the Agency is obliged to affirmatively allege
	its basis for avoiding the statutory notice requirement.
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16	In short, DEQ did not provide advance notice as required by ORS 468.125(1), did not prove the excuse from notice which it
- 0	alleged, did not allege the excuse authorized by ORS 468.125(2)
17	(e), and bore a duty to give notice pursuant to OAR 340-12-040.
18	Consequently, even if DEQ had proved a violation of
10	OAR 340-25-465(4)(a), 340-25-465(4)(b)(A), 340-25-465(10)(e), 340-25-465(10)(b)(B) and 340-25-465(d)(A) in effect at the time
19	of the violation, notice failures would preclude exaction of a
20	penalty.
21	Id, 1988 WL 163165 at 3-4 (emphasis added, citations and footnotes omitted). See also, DEQ v.
22	Elliott-Jochimsen Construction, Inc., 1988 WL 167438 (1988), and DEQ v. Thomas H. Scott,
23	1990 WL 283207 (1990).
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- '	Section IV of the Department's Notice of Violation seeks to impose a total civil penalty
25	of \$12,000 for only one of the four violations alleged therein - Section IV, Paragraph 1

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1	("Violation No.1"), which is quoted below:	
2	violated ORS 468B.025(2) by violating a condition	n of its Permit.
3	Specifically, Respondent violated Schedule B, Con Permit by failing to report the results of sample an	
4		ally reported
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6	6 Just as in Neu-Glo Candles, Inc., supra, it is undisputed that the I	Department has not alleged any
7	7 excuse or exception to its obligation to give Scappoose five days'	advance notice prior to
8	8 attempting to assess a civil penalty. While the Department has al	leged (but has not proved)
9	9 Scappooses' intent to report false sample results on the DMR, the	Department did not plead that
10	0 as a basis for excuse from the notice requirement. Indeed, DEQ f	ailed to allege anywhere in its
11	1 Notice of Violation that it is relying on any exception to the five	day notice requirement.
12	The EQC declared in Neu-Glo Candles, Inc. that the Depart	rtment "is obliged to
13	affirmatively allege its basis for avoiding the statutory notice requ	irement" or its claim is
14	4 deficient and no penalty may be assessed. The Department has no	ot met its pleading (or proof)
15	5 burden in this case, Scappoose has not been given "formal notice	of defenses to be employed at a
16	6 hearing" with respect to Section IV, Paragraph 1 of the Notice of	Violation, and that portion of
17	7 the Notice and the attempt to assess a civil penalty must be dismis	ssed.
18	B. The Department has failed to allege a claim in S which relief may be granted, in that the Department	
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20	As noted above, the Department has alleged that a failure	to report the results of sample
21	analyses for biological oxygen demand violates Schedule B, Cond	lition 1 of the Scappoose
22	NPDES permit. However, as the permit itself and the hearing rec	ord makes clear, Schedule B,
23	Condition 1 of the permit does not impose such a requirement. In	stead, it simply mandates the
24	frequency and sample-types of the permitee's wastewater influent	and outflow. There is no
25	mention of the "results of sample analysis" in that section of the p	ermit.

1	Additionally, the Notice of Violation alleges that Scappoose intentionally reported false
2	sample results on its Discharge Monitoring Report. As above, Schedule B, Condition 1 of the
3	permit is not implicated in such alleged conduct.
4	2. Judgment Must be Entered Against The Department's Alleged Violation No. 1 Based on a Failure of Proof.
6	Violation No. 1 alleges that Scappoose violated Schedule B, Condition 1 of its permit by "failing
7	to report the results of sample analysis [sic] for biological oxygen demand." It also alleges that
8	Scappoose "intentionally reported false sample results on its Discharge Monitoring Report"
9	in December 1998. It is clear from these allegations and the hearing record that the Discharge
10	Monitoring Report for December 1998 is the basis of these alleged violations. However, the
11	proof received at the hearing was clear; the DMR did not contain false sample analysis results,
12	reported intentionally or otherwise. Instead, the subject DMR contained as accurate a report as
13	was available to Scappoose of the quality of its facility's influent, as required by the permit.
14	Schedule B, Condition 1 of the Scappoose permit contains minimum monitoring and
15	reporting frequencies and sample types for the facility's influent and outfall. Is not applicable to
16	the content alleged. Schedule B, Condition 2 which is not alleged by the Department as the basis
17	for any claim, requires that monitoring results be reported on approved forms, such as the
18	Discharge Monitoring Report. Neither Condition of Schedule B, nor any other permit provision,
19	mandates reporting of sample analyses results. This distinction between monitoring results and
20	sample analysis is not mere semantics.
21	As the record has shown in this case, sample analyses do not always accurately represent
22	the quality of the material being tested due to laboratory error, sampling error, equipment failure,
23	or any of several other possible causes for failure of the test. By the time that test failure is
24	known, the material being sampled is long gone. Yet, there may be other reasonably reliable
25	methods available to the permit holder, based on other monitoring methods employed at the

1	facility, that allow a more accurate report of the quality of the material that was sampled. The
2	situation then faced by the permit holder is irreconcilable; it either reports a sample analysis
. 3	result that it knows is not correct and thereby knowingly provides an inaccurate report of the
4	quality of the material it sampled, or it can more accurately report the quality of the material
5	based on all of the monitoring information available to it. Neither course is clearly mandated by
6	the permit, despite the Department's claims in this case. The language of Condition 2 is
7	reasonably interpreted to allow the permitee some ability to rely on all of the monitoring data
8	available to it to accurately report the quality of the material it is testing. And, it is absolutely
9	clear that the Department has provided no guidance to the permit holder on how to resolve this
10	circumstance.
11	The uncontested factual record before the hearing's officer is that Scappoose complied
12	with all of the conditions and specifications of Schedule B of its permit. It timely and regularly
13	monitored the quality of influent and outfall on the approved form with the intent of conveying
14	as accurate a representation of that quality as was possible under the circumstances. And that
15	accurate report was, in fact, conveyed. Accordingly, judgement must be entered in favor of
16	Scappoose and against the Department for the violation alleged in Section IV, Paragraph 1.
17	3. The Violation Alleged in Section IV, Paragraph 1 of the Notice of Violation Should Be Dismissed Because the Department Has Failed to Prove Intentional or
18	Flagrant Conduct.
19	The Department has alleged that Scappoose intentionally reported false results on its
20	DMR. As stated above, the information reported on the DMR was not false. Moreover, there is
21	no evidence from the Department's case in chief that proves Scappoose intended to report false
22	results. The proof was that Scappoose accurately maintained laboratory records of its sample
23	analyses (the "bench sheets"), provided those records to the Department upon request, and relied
24	on those records to prepare the subject DMR. To the extent any sample analyses (BOD for
25	December 9 and 17, 1998) were adjusted before reporting a value on the DMR, the proof was

1	that adjustment was based on the appropriate and nonest conclusion that the sample analyses
2	were inaccurate based on universally accepted standards of evaluating such data. The
3	Department, indeed, acknowledges in its own documents the that adjustment was reasonably
4	based on the available and more reliable monitoring data. (Exhibit 102). On these facts, there is
5	no basis to conclude that Scappoose intended to (or did) falsely report the quality of the material
6	it sampled. Nor is there proof that Scappoose intended to deceive the Department with respect to
7	the quality of its influent and outflow, nor did it create such a deception. The information which
8	was required to be reported in the DMR was accurate and correct, and the information on which
9	it was based (the "sample analyses") was maintained and available to the Department at all
10	times.
11	The Department defines "intentional" as "conduct by a person with a conscious objective
12	to cause the result of the conduct." OAR 340-012-0030(9). The Department's record is devoid
13	of proof of any "conscious objective" of Scappoose personnel other than to accurately report the
14	quality of its facility influent and outflow. And this objective was, in fact, accomplished. There
15	is absolutely no proof offered of any intent to deceive or misrepresent that quality and no such
16	misrepresentation occurred.
17	The Department has also characterized Scappoose's conduct as "flagrant" in Exhibit 1 to
18	the Notice of Violation. Thus, the "R" value for purposes of computing the civil penalty
19	assessed was given a value of 10. "Flagrant" is defined as "any documented violation where the
20	Respondent had actual knowledge of the law and had consciously set out to commit the
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1	violation." OAR 340-012-0030(7). Again, the	ere is absolutely no record that would support such
2	a finding on the facts proved by the Departmen	t herein.
3	Dated this 11th day of January, 2001.	
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5		TARLOW, JORDAN & SCHRADER
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#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE 1 I hereby certify that I served the foregoing RESPONDENT'S MOTIONS TO DISMISS 2 OR FOR DIRECTED VERDICT on the following party: 3 4 Jeff Bachman Department of Environmental Quality Enforcement Section 2020 SW 4<sup>th</sup> Ave Ste 400 5 6 Portland OR 97201-4987 7 by hand delivering a true copy thereof to said party on the date stated below. 8 DATED: January 11, 2001. 9 10 Christopher L. Reive, OSB #83305 (503) 598-7070 11 Of Attorneys for Respondent City of 12 Scappoose 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24

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1	BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMMISSION			
2	OF THE	STATE OF OREGON	EXHIBIT #	
3 4	IN THE MATTER OF: CITY OF SCAPPOOSE,	) DEFENSES, REQUES	SWER, AFFIRMATIVE ST FOR CONTESTED CASE T FOR AN INFORMAL	
5	Respondent.	) MEETING AND NOT ) CIVIL PENALTY AN	TCE OF APPEAL OF ID ORDER NO.	
6		) WQM-NWR-00-010 )	COLUMBIA COUNTY	
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8	Respondent, City of Scappoose ("	'Scappoose''), for its Answer, A	ffirmative Defenses,	
9	Request for Contested Case Hearing, Rec	quest for an Informal Meeting a	nd Notice of Appeal of	
10	Civil Penalty and Order ("Answer") in re	esponse to the above Notice of	Violation, Department	
11	Order and Assessment of Civil Penalty, h	ereby admits, denies and allege	s as follows:	
12		ANSWER		
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14	Admits Section I.			
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16	Admits Section II.	·	•	
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18	Admits Section III, in its entirety.			
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20	Denies Section IV, paragraph 1.			
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22	Denies Section IV, paragraph 2.		·	
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24	Denies Section IV, paragraph 3.			
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1	<b>7.</b>
2	Denies Section IV, paragraph 4.
3	8.
4	To the extent that Section V "Department Order" assumes the truth of the preceding DEQ
5	allegations, Scappoose hereby admits and denies the same to be consistent with the above
6	admissions and denials and the hereafter-described defenses.
7	9.
8	Except as expressly admitted above, Scappoose denies the rest and remainder of
9	Department's Notice of Violation, Department Order and Assessment of Civil Penalty.
10	AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES
11	10.
12	For purposes of DEQ's calculation of the amount of the civil penalty assessed, the
13	magnitude of violation and the "R" factor are not appropriate for the violation alleged in
14	Section IV, paragraph 1.
15	11.
16	Scappoose hereby reserves the right to assert such additional defenses prior to hearing as
17	may be supported by facts that may develop during discovery.
18	REQUEST FOR CONTESTED CASE HEARING
19	12.
20	Pursuant to Department regulations, Scappoose hereby requests a contested case hearing
21	before the Commission regarding these alleged violations.
22	REQUEST FOR INFORMAL MEETING
23	13.
24	Scappoose also requests an informal meeting on this matter with Department
25	representatives prior to the contested case hearing referenced above.

Į	NOTICE OF APPEAL
2	14.
3	To the extent a Notice of Appeal is required by law, Scappoose hereby appeals the
4	Commission's Order to correct alleged violations that are in reasonable dispute herein.
5	Dated this 8th day of May, 2000.
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7	TARLOW, JORDAN & SCHRADER
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9	By: /s/E. ANDREW JORDAN  E. Andrew Jordan, OSB #72138
10	Christopher L. Reive, OSB #83305 Telephone: (503) 598-7070
11	Of Attorneys for Respondent City of Scappoose
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2	I hereby certify that I served the foregoing RESPONDENT'S ANSWER,		
.3	AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES, REQUEST FOR CONTESTED CASE HEARING, REQUEST		
4	FOR AN INFORMAL MEETING AND NOTICE OF APPEAL OF CIVIL PENALTY AND		
5	ORDER NO. WQ/M-NWR-00-010 COLUMBIA COUNTY on the following party:		
6	DEQ Rules Coordinator Office of the Director		
7	811 SW Sixth Avenue Portland OR 97204		
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9	by causing to be hand delivered a true and correct copy thereof to said party on the date stated		
10	below.		
11	DATED: May 8, 2000.		
12	/s/ E. ANDREW JORDAN		
13	E. Andrew Jordan, OSB #72138 (503) 598-7070		
14	Of Attorneys for Respondent City of Scappoose		
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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

**ENFORCEMENT SECTION** 

City of Scappoose Attn. Steve Wabschall P.O. Box P Scappoose, OR 97056

Re: Notice of Violation,
Department Order, and
Assessment of Civil Penalty
No. WQ/M-NWR-00-010

Columbia County

On September 17, 1999, DEQ Water Quality Engineer Jim Sheetz conducted an inspection of the City of Scappoose's wastewater treatment works. The City's treatment works operates pursuant to a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit. During his inspection, Mr. Sheetz reviewed the City's records for July and December 1998 and documented the following violations of the City's permit.

- (1) Intentionally submitting false data on a discharge monitoring report. Mr. Sheetz found that the City submitted false data for biological oxygen demand (BOD) results for December 9 and 17, 1998. When BOD analyses produced obviously anomalous results, City staff made up BOD data instead of determining the cause and correcting the results.
  - (2) Failing to calibrate the facility's flow meter twice annually.
- (3) Failing to provide adequate laboratory controls and appropriate quality assurance procedures. On July 6, 10, and 20, 1998, the City used erroneous procedures to calculate fecal colilform results. On December 9 and 17, 1998, the City used erroneous procedures to calculate biological oxygen demand results.

The regulatory system that protects water quality in Oregon relies almost exclusively on honest and accurate reporting by pollution sources, such as the City of Scappoose. Accurate reporting by sources is the keystone on which all efforts, both public and private, to restore and protect Oregon's water resources is based. Without it, the system cannot function. Therefore, the Department considers falsification of required water quality data to be among the most serious of violations.

Because of the violations cited above, the City is liable for a civil penalty assessment. In the enclosed Notice, I have assessed a civil penalty of \$12,000 for intentionally submitting false data on a Discharge Monitoring Report. In determining the amount of the penalty, I used the procedures set forth in Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 340-012-0045. The Department's findings and civil penalty determination are attached to the Notice as Exhibit 1.



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Appeal procedures are outlined in Section VII of the Notice. If the City fails to either pay or appeal the penalty within twenty (20) days, a Default Order will be entered against it.

If the City wishes to discuss this matter, or if it believe there are mitigating factors which the Department might not have considered in assessing the civil penalty, the City may request an informal discussion by attaching a request to its appeal. The City's request to discuss this matter with the Department will not waive its right to a contested case hearing.

I look forward to the City's cooperation in complying with Oregon environmental law in the future. However, if any additional violations occur, the City may be assessed additional civil penalties.

Copies of referenced rules are enclosed. Also enclosed is a copy of the Department's internal management directive regarding civil penalty mitigation for Supplemental Environmental Projects (SEPs). If the City is interested in having a portion of the civil penalty fund an SEP, it should review the enclosed SEP directive. Exceptional pollution prevention could result in partial penalty mitigation.

If you have any questions about this action, please contact Jeff Bachman with the Department's Enforcement Section in Portland at 229-5950.

Sincerely,

Langdon Marsh

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Director

#### Enclosures

cc:

Jim Sheetz, Northwest Region, DEQ

Water Quality Division, DEQ

Department of Justice

Environmental Protection Agency Environmental Quality Commission Columbia County District Attorney

#### BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMMISSION 1 OF THE STATE OF OREGON 2 3 IN THE MATTER OF: NOTICE OF VIOLATION, CITY OR SCAPPOOSE DEPARTMENT ORDER, AND 4 ASSESSMENT OF CIVIL PENALTY 5 No. WQ/M-NWR-00-010 Respondent. COLUMBIA COUNTY 6 7 I. AUTHORITY 8 This Notice of Assessment of Civil Penalty (Notice) is issued to Respondent, the City of 9 Scappoose, by the Department of Environmental Quality (Department) pursuant to Oregon 10 Revised Statutes (ORS) 468.126 through 468.140, ORS Chapter 183, and Oregon Administrative 11 Rules (OAR) Chapter 340, Divisions 11 and 12. 12 II. PERMIT 13 On September 29, 1992, the Department issued National Pollutant Discharge Elimination 14 System Permit No. 100677 (Permit) to Respondent. The Permit authorizes Respondent to 15 construct, install, modify, or operate a wastewater collection, treatment, control and disposal 16 system and to discharge to public waters adequately treated wastewaters in accordance with the 17 requirements and limitations in the Permit. The Permit expired on May 31, 1995, but remains in 18 effect until a new permit is issued. The Permit was in effect at all material times. Ш. 19 **FINDINGS** 20 1 Respondent operates a wastewater treatment works at 2000 Columbia Avenue, 21 Scappoose, Oregon. 1999 On September 16, DEQ staff conducted a compliance inspection of Respondent's 22 2. 23 treatment works. 24 IV. VIOLATIONS

Based upon the above noted inspection, Respondent has violated the following provisions of Oregon water quality law and its Permit.

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1. On or about December 9 and 17, 1998, Respondent violated ORS 468B.025(2) by violating a condition of its Permit. Specifically, Respondent violated Schedule B, Condition 1, of its Permit by failing to report the results of sample analysis for biological oxygen demand. Respondent intentionally reported false sample results on its Discharge Monitoring Report. These are Class I violations pursuant to OAR 340-012-0055(1)(m).

- 2. On or about September 16, 1999, Respondent violated ORS 468B.025(2) by violating a condition of its Permit. Specifically, Respondent violated Schedule B, Condition 1b, by failing to maintain the accuracy of its flowmeter through twice annual calibration. This is a Class II violation pursuant to OAR 340-012-0055(2)(g).
- 3. On or about July 6, 10, and 20, 1998, Respondent violated ORS 468B.025(2) by violating a condition of its Permit. Specifically, Respondent violated General Condition B.1 of its Permit by failing to provide adequate laboratory controls and appropriate quality assurance procedures. Respondent use erroneous procedures to calculate fecal coliform results. These are Class II violations pursuant to OAR 340-012-0055(2)(g).
- 4. On or about December 9 and 17, 1998, Respondent violated ORS 468B.025(2) by violating a condition of its Permit. Specifically, Respondent violated General Condition B.1 of its Permit by failing to provide adequate laboratory controls and appropriate quality assurance procedures. Respondent use erroneous procedures to calculate biological oxygen demand results. These are Class II violations pursuant to OAR 340-012-0055(2)(g).

#### V. DEPARTMENT ORDER

- 1. Immediately initiate actions necessary to correct all the above cited violations and come into full compliance with Oregon's laws and rules.
- 2. Within 120 days of receipt of this Notice and Order, submit for Department review and approval a comprehensive quality assurance program plan for all data generated at the facility. The program plan shall include specific procedures for addressing anomalous results and an independent audit process.

- 3. Within 30 days of written notice from the Department of deficiencies in the program and plan, correct the identified deficiencies and resubmit the program plan.
- 4. Immediately upon receipt of written Department approval of the program plan, implement the program.

#### VI. ASSESSMENT OF CIVIL PENALTIES

The Department imposes a civil penalty of \$12,000 for the violations in Section IV, paragraph 1 above. The findings and determination of Respondent's civil penalty pursuant to OAR 340-012-0045 are attached and incorporated as Exhibit 1.

#### VII. OPPORTUNITY FOR CONTESTED CASE HEARING

Respondent has the right to have a formal contested case hearing before the Environmental Quality Commission (Commission) or its hearings officer regarding the matters set out above, at which time Respondent may be represented by an attorney and subpoena and cross-examine witnesses. The request for hearing must be made in writing, must be received by the Department's Rules Coordinator within twenty (20) days from the date of service of this Notice, and must be accompanied by a written "Answer" to the charges contained in this Notice.

In the written Answer, Respondent shall admit or deny each allegation of fact contained in this Notice, and shall affirmatively allege any and all affirmative claims or defenses to the assessment of this civil penalty that Respondent may have and the reasoning in support thereof. Except for good cause shown:

- 1. Factual matters not controverted shall be presumed admitted;
- 2. Failure to raise a claim or defense shall be presumed to be a waiver of such claim or defense;
- 3. New matters alleged in the Answer shall be presumed to be denied unless admitted in subsequent pleading or stipulation by the Department or Commission.

Send the request for hearing and Answer to: **DEQ Rules Coordinator**, **Office of the Director**, **811 S.W. Sixth Avenue**, **Portland**, **Oregon 97204.** Following receipt of a request for hearing and an Answer, Respondent will be notified of the date, time and place of the hearing.

Failure to file a timely request for hearing and Answer may result in the entry of a Default Order for the relief sought in this Notice.

Failure to appear at a scheduled hearing or meet a required deadline may result in a dismissal of the request for hearing and also an entry of a Default Order.

The Department's case file at the time the Notice was issued may serve as the record for purposes of entering the Default Order.

#### VIII. OPPORTUNITY FOR INFORMAL DISCUSSION

In addition to filing a request for a contested case hearing, Respondent may also request an informal discussion with the Department by attaching a written request to the hearing request and Answer.

#### IX. PAYMENT OF CIVIL PENALTY

The civil penalty is due and payable ten (10) days after the Order imposing the civil penalty becomes final by operation of law or on appeal. Respondent may pay the penalty before that time. Respondent's check or money order in the amount of \$20,000 should be made payable to "State Treasurer, State of Oregon" and sent to the Business Office, Department of Environmental Quality, 811 S.W. Sixth Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97204.

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Date	Langdon Marsh, Director	

#### **EXHIBIT 1**

### FINDINGS AND DETERMINATION OF RESPONDENT'S CIVIL PENALTY PURSUANT TO OREGON ADMINISTRATIVE RULE (OAR) 340-012-0045

<u>VIOLATION</u>: Violating a waste discharge permit condition in violation of ORS

468B.025(2).

<u>CLASSIFICATION</u>: This is a Class I violation pursuant to OAR 340-012-0055(1)(m).

MAGNITUDE: The magnitude of the violation is moderate. Pursuant to OAR 340-012-

0045(1) the magnitude is moderate is there is no selected magnitude for the

violation in OAR 340-012-0090.

<u>CIVIL PENALTY FORMULA</u>: The formula for determining the amount of penalty of each violation

is:

 $BP + [(0.1 \times BP) \times (P + H + O + R + C)] + EB$ 

"BP" is the base penalty, which is \$3,000 for a Class I, moderate magnitude violation in the matrix listed in OAR 340-012-0042(1).

"P" is Respondent's prior significant action(s) and receives a value of 0 as Respondent has no prior significant actions.

"H" is the past history of Respondent in taking all feasible steps or procedures necessary to correct any prior significant action(s) and receives a value of 0 as Respondent has no prior significant actions.

"O" is whether or not the violation was a single occurrence or was repeated or continuous during the period of the violation and receives a value of 0 as Respondent is being assessed separate penalties for each occurrence of the violation.

"R" is the cause of the violation and receives a value of 10 as the violation was caused by Respondent's flagrant conduct. Respondent consciously and purposefully submitted data it knew was false to the Department, knowing that the law requires true data to be submitted.

"C" is Respondent's cooperativeness in correcting the violation and receives a value of 0 as the violation could not be corrected once it had occurred.

"EB" is the approximate dollar sum of the economic benefit that the Respondent gained through noncompliance, and receives a value of 0 as there is insufficient information on which to base a finding.

#### PENALTY CALCULATION:

Penalty= BP + 
$$[(0.1 \times BP) \times (P + H + O + R + C)] + EB$$
  
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Respondent committed two violations. Respondent's total civil penalty is therefore \$12,000.

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#### INDEX OF EXHIBITS

- A01.National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Waste Discharge Permit No. 100677, issued to Respondent by Charles K. Ashbaker on September 29, 1992.
- NPDES Inspection Report, dated December 29, 1999, by James R. Sheets. 102.
- 103. Notice of Noncompliance No. WQ-NWR-2000-001, Permit No. 100677, File No. 78980, EPA No. OR-002242-2, issued on January 25, 2000.
- 104. Notice of Violation, Department Order and Assessment of Civil Penalty No. WQ/M-NWR-00-010 Columbia County, issued to Respondent by Langdon Marsh, Director of the Department of Environmental Quality on April 18, 2000.
- 105. Pages 5-3 through 5-6 (inclusive) of Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater, Eaton, Clesceri and Greenberg, Eds., 19th ed. (1995).
- 106 and 107. Respondent's reports, dated December 9, 1998, December 17, 1998, which are referred to by James R. Sheets in his NPDES Inspection Report.
- 108 thru 111. Respondent's reports dated July 6, 1998, July 10, 1998, July 20, 1998 and September 24, 1999, which are referred to by James R. Sheets in his NPDES Inspection Report.
- **412**. Respondent's Discharge Monitoring Report for December 1998.
- **1**/3. City of Scappoose Contract Laboratories Analysis, performed by Amtest Laboratory at the request of Respondent.
- City of Scappoose Quality Control plan, dated April 2000.
- **1**15. Quality Assurance Guidelines, NPDES and WPCF Self-Monitoring Laboratories, DEQ Laboratories and Applied Research Division, Quality Assurance Section, date stamped October 30, 1991.
- Lab Procedures for Wastewater Treatment Plants, Holly Ploetz, Linn-Benton Community \\\/116.

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14	Admits Section I.	· ·	
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16	Admits Section II.		
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18	Admits Section III, in its entirety		
19		4.	
20	Denies Section IV, paragraph 1.		
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22	Denies Section IV, paragraph 2.		
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24	Denies Section IV, paragraph 3.		
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2	Denies Section IV, paragraph 4.
3	8.
4	To the extent that Section V "Department Order" assumes the truth of the preceding DEC
5	allegations, Scappoose hereby admits and denies the same to be consistent with the above
6	admissions and denials and the hereafter-described defenses.
7	- <b>9.</b>
8	Except as expressly admitted above, Scappoose denies the rest and remainder of
9	Department's Notice of Violation, Department Order and Assessment of Civil Penalty.
10	AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES
11	10.
12	For purposes of DEQ's calculation of the amount of the civil penalty assessed, the
13	magnitude of violation and the "R" factor are not appropriate for the violation alleged in
14	Section IV, paragraph 1.
15	11.
16	Scappoose hereby reserves the right to assert such additional defenses prior to hearing as
17	may be supported by facts that may develop during discovery.
18	REQUEST FOR CONTESTED CASE HEARING
19	12.
20	Pursuant to Department regulations, Scappoose hereby requests a contested case hearing
21	before the Commission regarding these alleged violations.
22	REQUEST FOR INFORMAL MEETING
23	13.
24	Scappoose also requests an informal meeting on this matter with Department
25	representatives prior to the contested case hearing referenced above.

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S.	1	NOTICE OF APPEAL				
	2		14	4.		
	3	To the extent a Notice of Appeal is required by law, Scappoose hereby appeals the				
	4 .	Commission's Order to correct alleged v	iolation	s that are in reasonable dispute herein.		
	5	Dated this 8th day of May, 2000.				
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	7	- -		TARLOW, JORDAN & SCHRADER		
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	9			By: /s/E. ANDREW JORDAN		
	10			E. Andrew Jordan, OSB #72138 Christopher L. Reive, OSB #83305		
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1	CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE						
2	I hereby certify that I served the foregoing RESPONDENT'S ANSWER,						
3	AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES, REQUEST FOR CONTESTED CASE HEARING, REQUEST						
4	FOR AN INFORMAL MEETING AND NOTICE OF APPEAL OF CIVIL PENALTY AND						
5	ORDER NO. WQ/M-NWR-00-010 COLUMBIA COUNTY on the following party:						
6	DEQ Rules Coordinator Office of the Director						
7	811 SW Sixth Avenue Portland OR 97204						
8	397.7						
9	by causing to be hand delivered a true and correct copy thereof to said party on the date stated						
10	below.						
11	DATED: May 8, 2000.						
12	/s/E. ANDREW JORDAN						
13	E. Andrew Jordan, OSB #72138						
14	(503) 598-7070 Of Attorneys for Respondent City of						
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Ref No: G60393 Case Type: DEQ STATE OF OREGON

Before the Hearing Officer Panel

Agency Case No: WQMNWR00-010

For the

Issued By SALEM

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

875 Union Street NE Salem, Oregon 97311

Mailed By: LMV

Date Mailed: 11/20/00

# CHANGE IN NOTICE OF HEARING

CITY OF SCAPPOOSE PO BOX P SCAPPOOSE OR 97056 0677 DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY 811 SW 6TH AVE PORTLAND OR 97204 1334

CHRISTOPHER REIVE, ATTORNEY 2 CENTERPOINTE DR FL 6

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JEFF BACHMAN

DEO ENFORCEMENT SECTION 2020 SW 4TH AVE STE 400 PORTLAND OR 97201 4959

#### THE HEARING SCHEDULED FOR:

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE:

BETTERTON

DATE:

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2000

TIME:

9:30 AM PT

PLACE OF HEARING: -

SCAPPOOSE CITY HALL

MUNICIPAL COURT CHAMBER

33568 E COLUMBIA SCAPPOOSE

### HAS BEEN CHANGED TO:

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE:

BETTERTON

DATE:

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11, 2001

TIME:

9:30 AM PT

PLACE OF HEARING:

SCAPPOOSE CITY HALL

MUNICIPAL COURT CHAMBER

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# DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY HEARINGSXHIBIT #

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PREPARING FOR YOUR HEARING

## NOTICE OF CONTESTED CASE RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

Under ORS 183.413(2), you must be informed of the following:

- 1. <u>Law that applies</u>. The hearing is a contested case and it will be conducted under ORS Chapter 183 and Oregon Administrative Rules of the Department of Environmental Quality, Chapters 137 and 340.
- 2. Rights to an attorney. You may represent yourself at the hearing, or be represented by an attorney or an authorized representative, such as a partner, officer, or an employee. If you are a company, corporation, organization or association, you must be represented by an attorney or an authorized representative. Prior to appearing on your behalf, an authorized representative must provide a written statement of authorization. If you choose to represent yourself, but decide during the hearing that an attorney is necessary, you may request a recess. About half of the parties are not represented by an attorney. DEQ will be represented by an Assistant Attorney General or an Environmental Law Spécialist.
- 3. <u>Hearings officer</u>. The person presiding at the hearing is known as the hearings officer. The hearings officer is an employee of the Central Hearing Officer Panel under contract with the Environmental Quality Commission. The hearings officer is not an employee, officer or representative of the agency.
- 4. Appearance at hearing. If you withdraw your request for a hearing, notify either DEQ or the hearing officer that you will not appear at the hearing, or fail to appear at the hearing, a final default order will be issued. This order will be issued only upon a prima facie case based on DEQ's file. No hearing will be conducted.
- 5. Address changes. It is your responsibility to notify DEQ and the hearings officer of any change in your address or a withdrawal or change of your representative.
- 6. <u>Interpreters</u>. If you have a disability or do not speak English, the hearings officer will arrange for an interpreter. DEQ will pay for the interpreter if (1) you require the interpreter due to a disability or (2) you file with the hearings officer a written statement under oath that you are unable to speak English and you are unable to obtain an interpreter yourself. You must provide at least 14 days notice of your need for an interpreter before the hearing.
- 7. Witnesses. All witnesses will be under oath or affirmation to tell the truth. All parties and the hearings officer will have the opportunity to ask questions of all witnesses. DEQ or the hearings officer will issue subpoenas for witnesses on your behalf if you show that their testimony is relevant to the case and is reasonably needed to establish your position. If you are represented by

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an attorney, your attorney may issue subpoenas. Payment of witness fees and mileage is your responsibility.

- 8. Order of evidence. A hearing is similar to a court trial but less formal. The purpose of the hearing is to determine the facts and whether DEQ's action is appropriate. In most cases, DEQ will offer its evidence first in support of its action. You will then have an opportunity to present evidence to oppose DEQ's evidence. Finally, DEQ and you will have an opportunity to rebut any evidence.
- 9. <u>Burden of presenting evidence</u>. The party who proposes a fact or position has the burden of proving that fact or position. You should be prepared to present evidence at the hearing which will support your position. You may present physical or written evidence, as well as your own testimony.
- 10. Admissible evidence. Only relevant evidence of a type relied upon by reasonably prudent persons in the conduct of their serious affairs will be considered. Hearsay evidence is not automatically excluded. Rather, the fact that it is hearsay generally affects how much the Commission will rely on it in reaching a decision.

There are four kinds of evidence:

- a. Knowledge of DEQ and the hearings officer. DEQ or the hearings officer may take "official notice" of conclusions developed as a result of its knowledge in its specialized field. This includes notice of general, technical or scientific facts. You will be informed should DEQ or the hearings officer take "official notice" of any fact and you will be given an opportunity to contest any such facts.
- b. Testimony of witnesses. Testimony of witnesses, including you, who have knowledge of facts may be received in evidence.
- c. Writings. Written documents including letters, maps, diagrams and other written materials may be received in evidence.
- d. Experiments, demonstrations and similar means used to prove a fact. The results of experiments and demonstrations may be received in evidence.
- 11. Objections to evidence. Objections to the consideration of evidence must be made at the time the evidence is offered. Objections are generally made on one of the following grounds:
  - a. The evidence is unreliable;
  - b. The evidence is irrelevant or immaterial and has no tendency to prove or disprove any issue involved in the case;
  - c. The evidence is unduly repetitious and duplicates evidence already received.

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- 12. <u>Continuances</u>. There are normally no continuances granted at the end of the hearing for you to present additional testimony or other evidence. Please make sure you have all your evidence ready for the hearing. However, if you can show that the record should remain open for additional evidence, the hearings officer may grant you additional time to submit such evidence.
- 13. Record. A record will be made of the entire proceeding to preserve the testimony and other evidence for appeal. This will be done by tape recorder. This tape and any exhibits received in the record will be the whole record of the hearing and the only evidence considered by the hearings officer. A copy of the tape is available upon payment of a minimal amount, as established by DEQ. A transcript of the record will not normally be prepared, unless there is an appeal to the Court of Appeals.
- 14. Proposed and Final Order. The hearing officer has the authority to issue a proposed order based on the evidence at the hearing. The proposed order will become the final order of the Environmental Quality Commission if you do not petition the Commission for review within 30 days of service of the order. The date of service is the date the order is mailed to you; not the date that you receive it. The Department must receive your petition seeking review within 30 days. See OAR 340-011-0132.
- 15. <u>Appeal</u>. If you are not satisfied with the decision of the Commission, you have 60 days from the date of service of the order, to appeal this decision to the Court of Appeals. See ORS 183.480 et seq.

Ref No: G60393 Agency Case No: WOMNWR00-010

Case Type: DEQ

STATE OF OREGON
Before the Hearing Officer Panel

For the

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

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EXHIBIT #

HEARING DATE AND TIME

HEARING PLACE

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

WEDNESDAY, JULY 25, 2001 9:30 AM PT DEPT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY 2020 SW 4TH

BETTERTON

Date Mailed: 05/31/01

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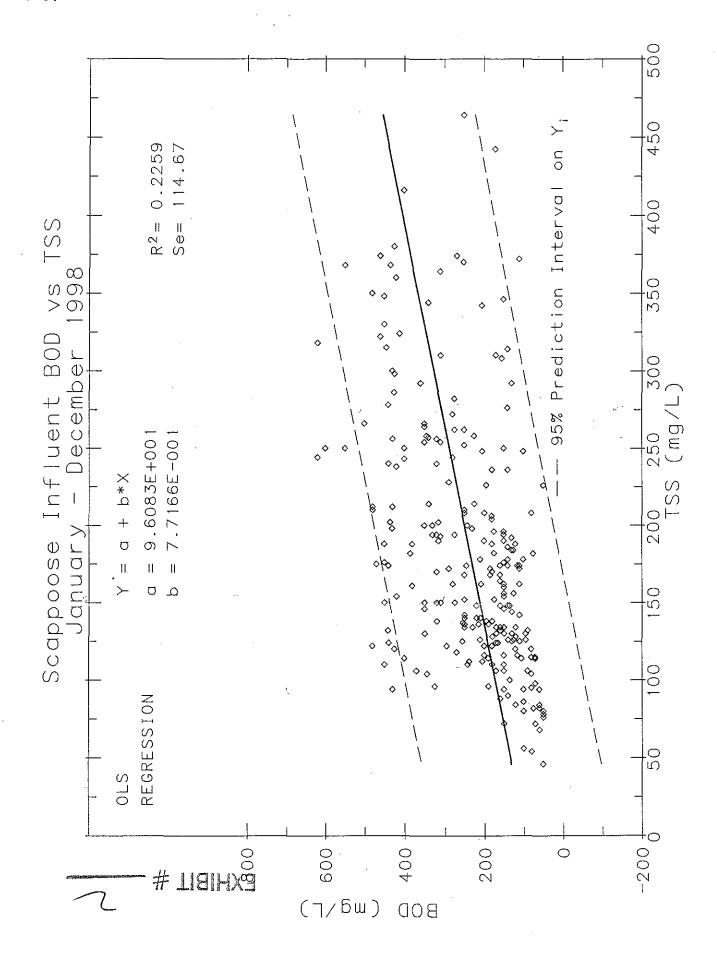
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The issue(s) to be considered are:

THE ALLEGATIONS SET FORTH IN THE NOTICE OF VIOLATION, DEPARTMENT ORDER, AND ASSESSMENT OF CIVIL PENALTY, DATED APRIL 18, 2000, ISSUED TO THE CITY OF SCAPPOOSE BY DEQ.

This is a continuation of the hearing which was previously held.



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#### MODIFICATION

# NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM VASTE DISCHARGE PERMIT

Department of Environmental Quality 1500 S.W. First Avenue, Suite 750 Fortland, OR 97201 Telephone: (503) 229-5263

Issued pursuant to ORS 4688.050 and The Federal Clean Water Act

ISSUED TO:

#### SOURCES COVERED BY THIS PERMIT:

City of Scappoose 34345 Columbia Blvd. P.O. Box "P"

Scappoose, Oregon 97056

Outfall Outfall Type of Waste <u>Number</u> Location

Domestic Sewage 001

R.M. 10.5

PLANT TYPE AND LOCATION:

#### RECEIVING SYSTEM INFORMATION:

Extended Aeration Sewage Treatment Plant 2000 Columbia Ave. Honeyman Road

Treatment System Class: III Collection System Class: II

Basin: Willamette

Sub-Basin: Lower Willamette Stream: Multmomah Channel Hydro Code: 22P-MULT 10.5 D

County: Columbia

EPA REFERENCE NO: OR 002242-0

Issued in response to Application No. 998383 received July 12, 1990. Modified in response to Application No. 997445 received January 13, 1992.

on the land use findings in the permit record. SEP 2 9 1992

Charles K. Ashbaker, Manager Water Quality Northwest Region Date

#### PERMITTED ACTIVITIES

Until this permit expires or is modified or revoked, the permittee is authorized to construct, install, modify, or operate a wastewater collection, treatment, control and disposal system and discharge to public waters adequately treated wascewaters only from the authorized discharge point or points established in Schedule A and only in conformance with all the requirements, limitations, and conditions set forth in the attached schedules as follows:

Schedule A - Waste Disposal Limitations not to be Exceeded... Schedule B - Minimum Monitoring and Reporting Requirements... Schedule C - Compliance Conditions and Schedules....... Schedule D - Special Conditions..... General Condizions..... Accached

Unless authorized by another NPDES permit, each other direct and indirect discharge to public waters is prohibited.

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#### SCHEDULE A

- Waste Discharge Limitations not to be Exceeded After Permit Issuance. (Existing Limits)
  - a. Outfall Number 001 (Sewage Treatment Plant Discharge)
    - (1) June 1 October 31:

	Average Effluenc Concentrations	Monchly* Average	Weekly* Average	Daily* Maximum
Parameter	Monthly Weekly	lb/day	lb/day	lb/day
a. 80D-5	20 mg/l 30 mg/l	83	125	166
b. TSS	20 mg/l 30 mg/l	83	125	166

(2) November I - May 30:

	Average Effluent	Monthly*	Weekly*	Daily*
	Concentrations	Average	Average	Maximum
<u>Parameter</u>	Monthly Weekly	<u>lb/dav</u>	lb/day	<u>lb/dav</u>
a. BOD-5	30 mg/l 30 mg/l	125	188	250
b. TSS	30 mg/l 30 mg/l	125	188	250

\*Based on average dry weather design flow to the facility equaling 0.50 MGD.

(3) Other parameters (year-round)

a. pH Shall be within the range 6.0 - 9.0

b. 30D and TSS Removal Shall not be less than Efficiency 85% monthly average

c. Chlorine Dosage Shall be equal to or greater than 25 pounds per day.

(4) Not withstanding the effluent limitations established by this permit, no wastes shall be discharged and no activities shall be conducted which violate Water Quality Standards as adopted in OAR 340-41-445 except in the defined mixing zone:

The mixing zone shall extend from the shore side of the outfall to one-half the width of the channel, 200 feet downstream and 200 feet upstream.

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 Waste Discharge Limitations not to be Exceeded After Completion of New Sewage Treatment Plant and the Incorporation of Steinfeld's Process Wastewater.

a. Outfall Number OOl (Sewage Treatment Plant Discharge)

(1) May 1 - Occober 31:

Paramecer	Average Effluent Concentrations Monthly Weekly	Monchly* Average lb/day	Weekly* Average 1b/day	Daily* Maximum <u>lb/da</u> v	Mo Wk Avg Avg Kald Itald	DAIY MAX Kold
a. BOD-5	21 mg/l 29 mg/l	260	367	474	118 166	215
b. TSS c. FC/100ml	20' mg/l 30.mg/l 200 400	253	380	506	115 172	230

(2) November 1 - April 30:

•	Average Effluent	Monchly*	Weekly*	Daily*
	Concentrations	Average	Average	Maximum
Parameter	Monchly Weekly	lb/day	lb/dav	lb/day
a. BOD-5	32 mg/l 47 mg/l	403	579	754
b. TSS	25 mg/l 37 mg/l	315	473	630
c. FG/100ml	200 400			

\*Based on average dry weather design flow to the facility equaling 1.515 MGD.

(3) Other parameters (year-round)

a. pH

Shall be within the range 6.0 - 9.0

b. BOD and TSS Removal Efficiency Shall not be less than 85% monthly average

c. Total Residual Chlorine

Shall not exceed 0.1 mg/

(4) Not withstanding the effluent limitations established by this permit, no vastes shall be discharged and no activities shall be conducted which violate Water Quality Standards as adopted in OAR 140-41-445 except in the defined mixing zone:

The mixing zone shall extend from the shore side of the outfall to one-half the width of the channel, 200 feet downstream and 200 feet upstream.

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#### SCHEDULE B

- Minimum Monitoring and Reporting Requirements.
   (unless otherwise approved in writing by the Department)
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Item or Parameter	Minimum Frequency	Type of Sample
* Total Flow (MGD)  * Flow Meter Calibration	Daily 2/Year	Continuous Verification
BOD-5	2/Week	Composite
TSS pH	2/Week 3/Week	Composíte Grab
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b. Outfall Number 001 (Sewage Treatment Plant Outfall)

	Item or Parameter	Minimum Fraquency	Type of Sample
<b>≯</b> *	Total Flow (MGD) Flow Meter Calibration BOD-5 TSS pH Fecal Coliform Quantity Chlorine Used Chlorine Residual	Daily 2/Year 2/Week 2/Week 3/Week 1/Week Daily Daily	Continuous Verification Composite Composite Grab Grab Weight Grab
	Average Percent Removed (BOD and TSS)	Monthly	Calculation

<sup>\*</sup>Required only at one site, whichever is more appropriate.

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#### Sludge Management

#### Item or Parameter Minimum Frequency

Sludge analysis Annually in June including: Total solids (% dry wt.) Volatile solids (% dry wt:) Volatile suspended solids (% dry wt.) Sludge nitrogen инз-и; иоз-и; & тки (% dry wc.) Sludge metals content for Pb; Zn; Cu; Ni; & Cd (mg/kg) Phosphorus (% dry wt.) Potassium (% dry wt.)

#### Type of Sample

Composice sample to be representative of the product to be land applied.

Record of % volatile solids reduction accomplished through digestion

pH (standard units)

Monthly

Calculation (See Note 1)

Record of sludge fecal coliform and fecal straptococci (anterroci) applying (per gram of volatile solids)

Monthly when land sludge.

Composite sample representative of the product to be land applied.

Record of locations where sludge is applied (Sice location map to be maintained at treatment facility for review upon request by DEQ)

Each Occurrence Date, volume & locations where sludge is applied recorded on site location

#### Noces:

Calculation of the % volatile solids reduction is to be based on comparison of a representative grab sample of total and volatile solids entering either the treatment works, or the secondary clarifier solids wasted to the treatment facility's aerobic digesters and a representative composite sample of sludge solids applied to land.

Monitoring reports (DMRs) shall include a record of the location, quantity and method of use of all sludge removed from the treatment facility and a record of all applicable equipment breakdowns and bypassing.

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#### 2. Reporting Procedures

Monitoring results shall be reported on approved forms. The reporting period is the calendar month. Reports must be submitted to the Department by the 15th day of the following month.

All monitoring reports shall indicate the wastewater system classification as shown on page 1 of this permit and include the name of each principal operator designated by the permittee as responsible for supervising the system during the reporting period, and their certificate classification and grade level.

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#### SCHEDULE C

#### Compliance Schedules and Conditions

- 1. By November 1, 1992, the permittee shall submit a revised sludge management plan for approval by the Department of Environmental Quality. This revised sludge management plan shall account for additional sludge volumes resulting from plant expansion and the adequacy of existing sludge disposal practices.
- 2. The permittee shall have in place a program to identify and reduce inflow and infiltration into the sewage collection system. An annual report shall be submitted to the Department by September 1 each year which details sewer / collection maintenance activities that have been done in the previous year and outlines those activities planned for the following year.
- 3. The permittee is expected to meet the compliance dates which have been established in this schedule. Either prior to or no later than 14 days following any lapsed compliance date, the permittee shall submit to the Department a notice of compliance or noncompliance with the established schedule. The Director may revise a schedule of compliance if he determines good and valid cause resulting from events over which the permittee has little or no control.

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#### SCHEDULE D

#### Special Conditions

1. All sludge shall be managed in accordance with a sludge management plan approved by the Department of Environmental Quality. No substantial changes shall be made in sludge management activities which significantly differ from operations specified under the approved plan without the prior written approval of the Department.

In the event the permittee finds it necessary to remove accumulated sludge solids from the lagoons, the permittee shall submit and obtain Department approval of a sludge management plan developed in accordance with Administrative Rule, Chapter 340, Division 50 "Land Application and Disposal of Sewage Treatment Plant Sludge and Sludge Derived Products Including Septage" prior to removing sludge.

- 2. The permittee shall comply with Oregon Administrative Rules (OAR), Chapter 340, Division 49, "Regulations Pertaining To Certification of Wastewater System Operator Personnel" and accordingly:
  - a. The permittee shall have its wastewater system supervised by one or more operators who are certified in a classification and grade level (equal to or greater) that corresponds with the classification (collection and /or treatment) of the system to be supervised as specified on page one of this permit.

Note: A "supervisor" is defined as the person exercising authority for establishing and executing the specific practice and procedures of operating the system in accordance with the policies of the permittee and requirements of the waste discharge permit. "Supervise" means responsible for the technical operation of a system, which may affect its performance or the quality of the effluent produced. Supervisors are not required to be onsite at all times.

- b. The permittee's wastewater system may not be without supervision (as required by Special Condition 2a. above) for more than thirty (30) days. During this period, and at any time that the supervisor is not available to respond on-site (i.e. vacation, sick leave or off-call), the permittee must make available another person who is certified at no less than one grade level lower than the system classification.
- c. If the wastewater system has more than one daily shift, the permittee shall have the shift supervisor, if any, certified at no less than one grade level lover than the system classification.
- d. The permittee is responsible for ensuring the wastewater system has a properly certified supervisor available at all times to respond on-site at the request of the permittee and to any other operator.

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- The permittee shall notify the Department of Environmental Quality in writing within thirty (30) days of replacement or redesignation of certified operators responsible for supervising wastewater system operation. The notice shall be filed with the Water Quality Division, Operator Certification Program (see address on page one). This requirement is in addition to the reporting requirements contained under Schedule B of this permit.
- f. Upon written request, the Department may grant the permittee reasonable time, not to exceed 120 days, to obtain the services of a qualified person to supervise the wastewater system. The written request must include justification for the time needed, a schedule for recruiting and hiring, the date the system supervisor availability ceased, and the name of the alternate system supervisor(s) as required by 2.b. above.

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#### NPDES GENERAL CONDITIONS

#### SECTION A. STANDARD CONDITIONS

#### 1. Duty to Comply

The permittee must comply with all conditions of this permit. Any permit noncompliance constitutes a violation of Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) 468.720 and is grounds for enforcement action; for permit termination, suspension, or modification; or for denial of a permit renewal application.

#### 2. Penalties for Violations of Permit Conditions

Oregon Law (ORS 468.140) allows the Director to impose civil penalties up to \$10,000 per day for violation of a term, condition, or requirement of a permit.

In addition, Oregon Law (ORS 468.990) classifies a willful or negligent violation of the terms of a permit or failure to get a permit as a misdemeanor and a person convicted thereof shall be punishable by a fine of not more than \$25,000 or by imprisonment for not more than one year, or by both. Each day of violation constitutes a separate offense.

#### 3. Duty to Mitigate

The permittee shall take all reasonable steps to minimize or prevent any discharge or sludge use or disposal in violation of this permit which has a reasonable likelihood of adversely affecting human health or the environment. In addition, upon request of the Department, the permittee shall correct any adverse impact on the environment or human health resulting from noncompliance with this permit, including such accelerated or additional monitoring as necessary to determine the nature and impact of the noncomplying discharge.

#### 4. Duty to Reapply

If the permittee wishes to continue an activity regulated by this permit after the expiration date of this permit, the permittee must apply for and have the permit renewed. The application shall be submitted at least 180 days before the expiration date of this permit.

The Director may grant permission to submit an application less than 180 days in advance but no later than the permit expiration date.

#### 5. Permit Actions

This permit may be modified, suspended, revoked and reissued, or terminated for cause including, but not limited to, the following:

- a. Violation of any term, condition, or requirement of this permit, a rule, or a statute;
- b. Obtaining this permit by misrepresentation or failure to disclose fully all material facts; or
- A change in any condition that requires either a temporary or permanent reduction or elimination of the authorized discharge.

The filing of a request by the permittee for a permit modification or a notification of planned changes or anticipated noncompliance, does not stay any permit condition.

#### 6. Toxic Pollutants

The permittee shall comply with any applicable effluent standards or prohibitions established under Section 307(a) of the Clean Water Act for toxic pollutants within the time provided in the regulations that establish those standards or prohibitions, even if the permit has not yet been modified to incorporate the requirement.

#### 7. Property Rights

The issuance of this permit does not convey any property rights of any sort, or any exclusive privilege.

#### 8. Permit References

Except for effluent standards or prohibitions established under Section 307(a) of the Clean Water Act for toxic pollutants and standards for sewage sludge use or disposal established under Section 405(d) of the Clean Water Act, all rules and statutes referred to in this permit are those in effect on the date this permit is issued.

#### SECTION B. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF POLLUTION CONTROLS

### 1. Proper Operation and Maintenance

The permittee shall at all times properly operate and maintain all facilities and systems of treatment and control (and related appurtenances) which are installed or used by the permittee to achieve compliance with the conditions of this permit. Proper operation and maintenance also includes adequate laboratory controls, and appropriate quality assurance procedures. This provision requires the operation of back-up or auxiliary facilities or similar systems which are installed by a permittee only when the operation is necessary to achieve compliance with the conditions of the permit.

#### 2. Duty to Halt or Reduce Activity

For industrial or commercial facilities, upon reduction, loss, or failure of the treatment facility, the permittee shall, to the extent

necessary to maintain compliance with its permit, control production or all discharges or both until the facility is restored or an alternative method of treatment is provided. This requirement applies, for example, when the primary source of power of the treatment facility fails or is reduced or lost. It shall not be a defense for a permittee in an enforcement action that it would have been necessary to halt or reduce the permitted activity in order to maintain compliance with the conditions of this permit.

#### 3. Bypass of Treatment Facilities

#### a. Definitions

- (1) "Bypass" means intentional diversion of waste streams from any portion of the treatment facility. The term "bypass" does not include nonuse of singular or multiple units or processes of a treatment works when the nonuse is insignificant to the quality and/or quantity of the effluent produced by the treatment works. The term "bypass" does not apply if the diversion does not cause effluent limitations to be exceeded, provided the diversion is to allow essential maintenance to assure efficient operation.
- (2) "Severe property damage" means substantial physical damage to property, damage to the treatment facilities or treatment processes which causes them to become inoperable, or substantial and permanent loss of natural resources which can reasonably be expected to occur in the absence of a bypass. Severe property damage does not mean economic loss caused by delays in production.

#### b. Prohibition of bypass.

- (1) Bypass is prohibited unless:
  - (a) Bypass was necessary to prevent loss of life, personal injury, or severe property damage;
  - (b) There were no feasible alternatives to the bypass, such as the use of auxiliary treatment facilities, retention of untreated wastes, or maintenance during normal periods of equipment downtime. This condition is not satisfied if adequate backup equipment should have been installed in the exercise of reasonable engineering judgement to prevent a bypass which occurred during normal periods of equipment downtime or preventative maintenance; and
  - (c) The permittee submitted notices and requests as required under paragraph c of this section.
- (2) The Director may approve an anticipated bypass, after considering its adverse effects and any alternatives to

bypassing, when the Director determines that it will meet the three conditions listed above in paragraph b(1) of this section.

- Notice and request for bypass.
  - (1) Anticipated bypass. If the permittee knows in advance of the need for a bypass, it shall submit prior written notice, if possible at least ten days before the date of the bypass.
  - (2) Unanticipated bypass. The permittee shall submit notice of an unanticipated bypass as required in Section D, Paragraph D-5.

#### 4. Upset

- a. Definition. "Upset" means an exceptional incident in which there is unintentional and temporary noncompliance with technology based permit effluent limitations because of factors beyond the reasonable control of the permittee. An upset does not include noncompliance to the extent caused by operation error, improperly designed treatment facilities, inadequate treatment facilities, lack of preventative maintenance, or careless or improper operation.
- b. Effect of an upset. An upset constitutes an affirmative defense to an action brought for noncompliance with such technology based permit effluent limitations if the requirements of Section B.4.c. of these General Conditions are met. No determination made during administrative review of claims that non-compliance was caused by upset, and before an action for noncompliance, is final administrative action subject to judicial review.
- c. Conditions necessary for a demonstration of upset. A permittee who wishes to establish the affirmative defense of upset shall demonstrate, through properly signed, contemporaneous operating logs, or other relevant evidence that:
  - An upset occurred and that the permittee can identify the causes(s) of the upset;
  - (2) The permitted facility was at the time being properly operated; and
  - (3) The permittee submitted notice of the upset as required in Section D.5., hereof (24-hour notice).
  - (4) The permittee complied with any remedial measures required under Section A.3 hereof.
- d. Burden of proof. In any enforcement proceeding the permittee seeking to establish the occurrence of an upset has the burden of proof.

#### 5. Treatment of Single Operational Event

For purposes of this permit, A Single Operational Event which leads to simultaneous violations of more than one pollutant parameter shall be treated as a single violation. A single operational event is an exceptional incident which causes simultaneous, unintentional, unknowing (not the result of a knowing act or omission), temporary noncompliance with more than one Clean Water Act effluent discharge pollutant parameter. A single operational event does not include Clean Water Act violations involving discharge without an NPDES permit or noncompliance to the extent caused by improperly designed or inadequate treatment facilities. Each day of a single operational event is a violation.

# 6. Overflows from Wastewater Conveyance Systems and Associated Pump Stations

#### a. Definitions

- (1) "Overflow" means the diversion and discharge of waste streams from any portion of the wastewater conveyance system including pump stations, through a designed overflow device or structure, other than discharges to the wastewater treatment facility.
- "Severe property damage" means substantial physical damage to property, damage to the conveyance system or pump station which causes them to become inoperable, or substantial and permanent loss of natural resources which can reasonably be expected to occur in the absence of an overflow.
- "Uncontrolled overflow" means the diversion of waste streams other than through a designed overflow device or structure, for example to overflowing manholes or overflowing into residences, commercial establishments, or industries that may be connected to a conveyance system.
- b. Prohibition of overflows. Overflows are prohibited unless:
  - (1) Overflows were unavoidable to prevent an uncontrolled overflow, loss of life, personal injury, or severe property damage; and
  - (2) There were no feasible alternatives to the overflows, such as the use of auxiliary pumping or conveyance systems, or maximization of conveyance system storage; and
  - (3) The overflows are the result of an upset as defined in Condition 84 and meeting all requirements of this condition.
- Uncontrolled overflows are prohibited where wastewater is likely to escape or be carried into the waters of the State by any means.

d. Reporting required. Unless otherwise specified in writing by the Department, all overflows and uncontrolled overflows must be reported orally to the Department within 24 hours from the time the permittee becomes aware of the overflow. Reporting procedures are described in more detail in Condition D.5.

#### 7. Public Notification of Effluent Violation or Overflow

If effluent limitations specified in this permit are exceeded or an overflow occurs, upon request by the Department, the permittee shall take such steps as are necessary to alert the public about the extent and nature of the discharge. Such steps may include, but are not limited to, posting of the river at access points and other places, news releases, and paid announcements on radio and television.

#### 8. Removed Substances

Solids, sludges, filter backwash, or other pollutants removed in the course of treatment or control of wastewaters shall be disposed of in such a manner as to prevent any pollutant from such materials from entering public waters, causing nuisance conditions, or creating a public health hazard.

#### SECTION C. MONITORING AND RECORDS

#### 1. Representative Sampling

Sampling and measurements taken as required herein shall be representative of the volume and nature of the monitored discharge. All samples shall be taken at the monitoring points specified in this permit and shall be taken, unless otherwise specified, before the effluent joins or is diluted by any other waste stream, body of water, or substance. Monitoring points shall not be changed without notification to and the approval of the Director.

#### 2. Flow Measurements

Appropriate flow measurement devices and methods consistent with accepted scientific practices shall be selected and used to insure the accuracy and reliability of measurements of the volume of monitored discharges. The devices shall be installed, calibrated and maintained to insure that the accuracy of the measurements is consistent with the accepted capability of that type of device. Devices selected shall be capable of measuring flows with a maximum deviation of less than ± 10 percent from true discharge rates throughout the range of expected discharge volumes.

#### 3. Monitoring Procedures

Monitoring must be conducted according to test procedures approved under 40 CFR Part 136, unless other test procedures have been specified in this permit.

#### 4. Penalties of Tampering

The Clean Water Act provides that any person who falsifies, tampers with, or knowingly renders inaccurate, any monitoring device or method required to be maintained under this permit shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than \$10,000 per violation, or by imprisonment for not more than two years, or by both. If a conviction of a person is for a violation committed after a first conviction of such person, punishment is a fine not more than \$20,000 per day of violation, or by imprisonment of not more than four years or both.

#### 5. Reporting of Monitoring Results

Monitoring results shall be summarized each month on a Discharge Monitoring Report form approved by the Department. The reports shall be submitted monthly and are to be mailed, delivered or otherwise transmitted by the 15th day of the following month unless specifically approved otherwise in Schedule B of this permit.

#### 6. Additional Monitoring by the Permittee

If the permittee monitors any pollutant more frequently than required by this permit, using test procedures approved under 40 CFR 136 or as specified in this permit, the results of this monitoring shall be included in the calculation and reporting of the data submitted in the DMR. Such increased frequency shall also be indicated. For a pollutant parameter that may be sampled more than once per day (e.g., Total Chlorine Residual), only the average daily value shall be recorded unless otherwise specified in this permit.

#### 7. Averaging of Measurements

Calculations for all limitations which require averaging of measurements shall utilize an arithmetic mean, except for bacteria which shall be averaged based on a geometric or log mean.

#### 8. Retention of Records

The permittee shall retain records of all monitoring information, including all calibration and maintenance records of all original strip chart recordings for continuous monitoring instrumentation, copies of all reports required by this permit, and records of all data used to complete the application for this permit, for a period of at least 3 years from the date of the sample, measurement, report or application. This period may be extended by request of the Director at any time.

#### 9. Records Contents

Records of monitoring information shall include:

- a. The date, exact place, time and methods of sampling or measurements;
- b. The individual(s) who performed the sampling or measurements;
- c. The date(s) analyses were performed;
- d. The individual(s) who performed the analyses;
- e. The analytical techniques or methods used; and
- f. The results of such analyses.

#### 10. Inspection and Entry

The permittee shall allow the Director, or an authorized representative upon the presentation of credentials to:

- a. Enter upon the permittee's premises where a regulated facility or activity is located or conducted, or where records must be kept under the conditions of this permit;
- b. Have access to and copy, at reasonable times, any records that must be kept under the conditions of this permit;
- c. Inspect at reasonable times any facilities, equipment (including monitoring and control equipment), practices, or operations regulated or required under this permit, and
- d. Sample or monitor at reasonable times, for the purpose of assuring permit compliance or as otherwise authorized by state law, any substances or parameters at any location.

#### SECTION D. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

#### 1. Planned Changes

The permittee shall comply with Oregon Administrative Rules (OAR) 340, Division 52, "Review of Plans and Specifications". Except where exempted under OAR 340-52, no construction, installation, or modification involving disposal systems, treatment works, sewerage systems, or common sewers shall be commenced until the plans and specifications are submitted to and approved by the Department. The permittee shall give notice to the Department as soon as possible of any planned physical alternations or additions to the permitted facility.

### 2. Anticipated Noncompliance

The permittee shall give advance notice to the Director of any planned changes in the permitted facility or activity which may result in noncompliance with permit requirements.  $\{0,0\}$ 

#### 3. Transfers

This permit may be transferred to a new permittee provided the transferee acquires a property interest in the permitted activity and agrees in writing to fully comply with all the terms and conditions of the permit and the rules of the Commission. No permit shall be transferred to a third party without prior written approval from the Director. The permittee shall notify the Department when a transfer of property interest takes place.

#### 4. Compliance Schedule

Reports of compliance or noncompliance with, or any progress reports on interim and final requirements contained in any compliance schedule of this permit shall be submitted no later than 14 days following each schedule date. Any reports of noncompliance shall include the cause of noncompliance, any remedial actions taken, and the probability of meeting the next scheduled requirements.

### 5. Twenty-Four Hour Reporting

The permittee shall report any noncompliance which may endanger health or the environment. Any information shall be provided orally (by telephone) within 24 hours from the time the permittee becomes aware of the circumstances. During normal business hours, the Department's Regional office shall be called. Outside of normal business hours, the Department shall be contacted at 1-800-452-0311 (Oregon Accident Response System). A written submission shall also be provided within 5 days of the time the permittee becomes aware of the circumstances. The written submission shall contain:

- a. A description of the noncompliance and its cause;
- b. The period of noncompliance, including exact dates and times;
- The estimated time noncompliance is expected to continue if it has not been corrected; and
- d. Steps taken or planned to reduce, eliminate, and prevent reoccurrence of the noncompliance.
- e. Public notification steps taken, pursuant to General Condition B-7.

The following shall be included as information which must be reported within 24 hours under this paragraph:

- a. Any unanticipated bypass which exceeds any effluent limitation in this permit.
- b. Any upset which exceeds any effluent limitation in the permit.

Violation of maximum daily discharge limitation for any of the pollutants listed by the Director in the permit.

The Department may waive the written report on a case-by-case basis if the oral report has been received within 24 hours.

#### 6. Other Noncompliance

The permittee shall report all instances of non-compliance not reported under Section D4 or D5, at the time monitoring reports are submitted. The reports shall contain:

- a. A description of the noncompliance and its cause;
- b. The period of noncompliance, including exact dates and times;
- The estimated time noncompliance is expected to continue if it has not been corrected; and
- d. Steps taken or planned to reduce, eliminate, and prevent reoccurrence of the noncompliance.

#### 7. Duty to Provide Information

The permittee shall furnish to the Department, within a reasonable time, any information which the Department may request to determine compliance with this permit. The permittee shall also furnish to the Department, upon request, copies of records required to be kept by this permit.

Other Information: When the permittee becomes aware that it failed to submit any relevant facts in a permit application, or submitted incorrect information in a permit application or any report to the Department, it shall promptly submit such facts or information.

#### 8. Signatory Requirements

All applications, reports or information submitted to the Department shall be signed and certified in accordance with 40 CFR 122.22.

#### Falsification of Reports

State law provides that any person who knowingly makes any false statement, representation, or certification in any record or other document submitted or required to be maintained under this permit, including monitoring reports or reports of compliance or noncompliance shall, upon conviction be punished by a fine of not more than \$1,000 per violation, or by imprisonment for not more than six months per violation, or by both.

#### 10. Changes to Indirect Dischargers - [Applicable to Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTW) only]

The permittee must provide adequate notice to the Department of the following:

- a. Any new introduction of pollutants into the POTW from an indirect discharger which would be subject to section 301 or 306 of the Clean Water Act if it were directly discharging those pollutants and:
- b. Any substantial change in the volume or character of pollutants being introduced into the POTW by a source introducing pollutants into the POTW at the time of issuance of the permit.
- For the purposes of this paragraph, adequate notice shall include information on (i) the quality and quantity of effluent introduced into the POTW, and (ii) any anticipated impact of the change on the quantity or quality of effluent to be discharged from the POTW.

#### SECTION E. DEFINITIONS

- 1. BOD means five-day biochemical oxygen demand.
- 2. TSS means total suspended solids (non-filterable residue).
- 3. Mg/l means milligrams per liter.
- 4. Kg means kilograms.
- 5.  $M^3/d$  means cubic meters per day.
- 6. MGD means million gallons per day.
- 7. Composite sample means a sample formed by collecting and mixing discrete samples taken periodically and based on time or flow.
- 8. FC means fecal coliform bacteria.
- 9. Technology based permit effluent limitations means technology-based treatment requirements as defined in 40 CFR 125.3, and concentration and mass load effluent limitations that are based on minimum design criteria specified in OAR 340-41.
- 10. CBOD means five day carbonaceous biochemical oxygen demand.
- 11. Grab sample means an individual discrete sample collected over a period of time not to exceed 15 minutes.
- 12. Quarter means January through Harch, April through June, July through September, or October through December.

- 13. Month means calendar month.
- 14. Week means a calendar week of Sunday through Saturday.
- 15. Total residual chlorine means combined chlorine forms plus free residual chlorine.
- 16. The term "bacteria" includes but is not limited to fecal coliform bacteria, total coliform bacteria, and enterococci bacteria.
- 17. POTW means a publicly owned treatment works.

# **NPDES** Inspection Report

City of Scappoose Scappoose, Oregon

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Permittee: City of Scappoose		Source Address/ 2000 Columbia Ave.		Date Inspected: 1999-09-16		
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## SECTION 1—GENERAL

A periodic compliance inspection of the City of Scappoose wastewater treatment facility was conducted by the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) on September 16, 1999. This inspection report describes the existing facilities, the inspection procedures, and the inspection results for an NPDES permit compliance inspection of the City of Scappoose, Oregon. Figures and process flow diagrams are given in the "Figures" section of this report. See Appendix A for the NPDES permit.

WQ-Columbia County City of Scappoose File No.: 78980 Permit No.: 100677

Periodic Compliance Inspection

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Wabschall

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### SECTION 2—FACILITY DESCRIPTION

#### Introduction

The City of Scappoose owns and operates a municipal wastewater treatment plant that provides domestic wastewater treatment for the city and industrial wastewater treatment for wastewater from Steinfeld's Pickles, a pickle processing facility that is connected to the city wastewater collection system.

# Collection System Description

The collection system for the City of Scappoose served 4,130 residents in 1996. The city is growing rapidly due to its proximity to Portland. Several new subdivisions have been built in the last few years and growth is expected to continue at a fast pace.

The collection system consists of approximately 27 000 m of gravity sewers and approximately 1800 m of force mains, the majority of which was installed in 1972.

The collection system includes five pump stations. A sixth pump station is associated with the treatment plant. The collection system pump stations and their rated redundant capacity (capacity with the largest pump out of service) are:

- Smith Road 22 L/s
- Keys Landing 9.5 L/s
- Highway 30 19 L/s

- Seven Oaks 9.5 L/s
- / Springlake Drive 8.8 L/s

The Smith Road Pump Station is being renovated.

# **Treatment Process Description**

The existing wastewater treatment plant is of the activated sludge type and was upgraded in 1993. See Figure 1 for a schematic of the treatment plant layout.

Raw sewage enters the headworks by gravity. The headworks consists of a single concrete channel with one 760 mm Channel Monster grinder. The capacity is approximately 175 L/s.

An influent pump station is a wet well/dry well type with four centrifugal pumps operated by variable frequency drives. The pumps are controlled by a bubbler system to measure the liquid level in the wet well. The station is located beneath the blower building. The station's redundant capacity is 153 L/s.

Influent flow is measured using a 230 mm Parshall flume and a sonic meter, which are located upstream of the aeration basin.

The aeration basin is a single basin with earthen dikes. It is 3.7 m deep with a volume of approximately 7200 m³. Initially, the basin was equipped with five high-speed surface aerators, each of 30 kW capacity for a total of 150 kW. Subsequently, to improve mixing, two of the surface aerators were replaced with two 30 kW aspirating aerators.

The plant has two 15 m diameter clarifiers. Each has a 4.6 m side wall depth, and a surface area of 182.4 m<sup>2</sup>.

The pump station for return activated sludge (RAS) and waste activated sludge (WAS) is located between the two clarifiers and consists of three RAS pumps and two WAS pumps. The WAS pumps can be used with either clarifier and can draw from the clarifier sump or the RAS tubes. The RAS pumps are controlled by variable frequency drives.

Effluent flow is measured using a 90-degree V-notch weir that is located just upstream of the ultraviolet disinfection channel. An 457 mm Cipolletti weir was supplied with the 1993 upgrade and can be installed when flow exceeds the capacity of the V-notch weir.

Disinfection is provided with an ultraviolet light system consisting of two banks of lights with 11 modules of eight lights. Each bank is sized to treat the peak daily flow so complete redundancy is provided.

Treated and disinfected effluent is pumped to an outfall to the Multnomah Channel. The station consists of a wet well and four vertical turbine pumps with two-speed motors. The discharge pipe is 305 mm in diameter and it is approximately 4.8 km to the outfall.

The plant was designed for sludge treatment in three basins: an aerobic digestion tank, an aerated lagoon, and a storage lagoon. The

sludge first enters the aerobic digestion tank and flows in series through five compartments where oxygen is supplied by diffused air. The design included five high-speed surface aerators for an aerated lagoon followed by the storage lagoon. Currently, the lagoon is not being aerated and is functioning as a facultative (or anaerobic) storage pond. A thick crust has formed on the lagoon. The plant was designed for liquid sludge removal with distribution on land with a sludge truck. However, this method is not in use and sludge is handled as a cake with land application on adjacent city-owned land.

The treatment plant has two standby generators. An 85-kW natural gas generator is located in the blower building and will power the influent pump station and lighting. A 125 kW diesel generator located in the effluent pump station will power the effluent pump station, UV disinfection, and selected lighting.

## Industrial Pretreatment

Seinfelds is a pickle processing plant with seasonal operation and that discharges to the city collection system. The wastewater from Steinfelds is treated through a microscreen and then flows to a city-operated pretreatment facility where the following are accomplished: pH adjustment, surge control, and flow and load measurement.

An automatic sampler collects BOD and TSS samples.

Surge control is provided by an 31 m<sup>3</sup> basin with a restricted orifice outlet

The pH is adjusted using two caustic soda feed pumps, a pH probe, and an analyzer.

## SECTION 3—INSPECTION PROCEDURES AND RESULTS

This section describes the NPDES inspection procedures and results.

# **Participants**

The NPDES inspection was conducted on September 16, 1999, by James R. Sheetz, PE, DEE, of the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality, Northwest Region, Water Quality Source Control Section, 2020 SW 4th Avenue, Suite 400, Portland, OR 97201 (phone 503-229-5740). Present for the City of Scappoose were the superintendent, Steve Wabschall, and an operator, Steve Smith.

# Inspection Procedures

I arrived at the wastewater treatment plant at approximately 1000 hours on Thursday, September 16, 1999. I identified myself to Steve Wabschall, the superintendent of the plant. The compliance inspection

was unannounced in advance of my arrival. The inspection was concluded at about 1530 hours on September 16, 1999.

The inspection included observation of the facility operation, review of laboratory records, and collection of split samples. The Smith Road Pump Station, which was being renovated, was observed. Also, the Multnomah Channel at the outfall was observed. These activities are described below.

# **Observation of Facility Operation**

The first inspection activity consisted of a walk around the facilities and discussion of the operation of the components. I observed each treatment plant component and noted the following:

- 1. Influent Pump Station. Mr. Wabschall reported that the influent pump station occasionally experiences plugging of one of the four centrifugal pumps because only grinding is provided on the influent flow. He reported that this is not a major problem because the procedure to unplug the pumps is not difficult and is performed in a short time when needed, and there is adequate redundant pump capacity.
- 2. Influent Flow Meter. I observed the influent flow meter, which is a 230 mm Parshall flume. The influent composite sample is normally taken from this flume. Operation appeared to be normal.
- 3. Aeration Basin. I observed the mixed liquor of the aeration basin. The mixed liquor appeared to be in good condition and typical for the type of process. By good condition, I mean that the mixed liquor was a rich, chocolate brown color with minimal foaming and no areas that appeared to be deficient in oxygen. The dikes of the aeration basin appeared to be in good condition. Weeds on the banks needed to be removed.
  - I discussed the aeration equipment with Mr. Wabschall. He explained that the conversion of two of the surface aerators to aspirating aerators had improved mixing considerably and hethas had no difficulty maintaining DO in the aeration basin. He said the mixed liquor is about 2000 to 3000 mg/L. He also noted that the city received an award from PGE for energy conservation for the aspirating aerators.
- 4. Clarifiers. I observed the two final clarifiers. The overflow was generally clear of floc. However, slime and algae growths needed to be removed from the weirs. Otherwise, operation appeared to be normal.
- 5. **Effluent Flow Meter.** I observed the effluent flow meter and 90-degree V-notch weir. A calibration problem is described below.
- 6. **UV Disinfection.** I observed the UV disinfection system. Operation appeared to be normal.

- 7. **Effluent Pump Station.** I observed the old chlorine contact tank, which serves as the wet well for the effluent pumps. Slime and algae growths needed to be removed from the tank walls and baffles.
  - I observed the effluent pump station. One pump and motor had been removed for repair. Mr. Wabschall showed me the rewired motor and the new pump. He said he was awaiting a crane to lift the pump and motor back in place. I observed the emergency generator for the effluent pumps. Mr. Wabschall noted that the generator is automatically started on a periodic basis to check its operability.
- 8. Aerobic Digester. I observed the aerobic digester, which was created from the old plant. Waste activated sludge is treated in series through five compartments before it is pumped to the sludge lagoons. One of the compartments was out of service because sludge had recently been drawn off to the sludge lagoon. Mr. Wabschall reported that there is 40 days detention time in the aerobic digester. Operation appeared to be normal.
- 9. Sludge Lagoons. I observed the sludge lagoons. One of the lagoons was designed to be an aerated lagoon. Aeration has been discontinued and a crust has formed over the sludge. Sludge is now removed in cake form for land application on adjacent cityowned land. No odors were detected from the sludge lagoons. Mr. Wabschall reported that there is 1 to 2 years detention time in the sludge lagoons and the digested sludge contains about 40 percent volatile solids. I informed Mr. Wabschall that he needs to review with Bruce Henderson, NWR biosolids specialist, about the change of sludge handling from liquid to cake and to provide information that may be needed for an updated sludge management plan.
- 10. Smith Road Pump Station. I observed the renovation work underway at the Smith Road Pump Station. This is a buried wet well/dry well station. The station is in a flood zone so some of the work involves flood protection. The controls were being relocated to a new building set above flood level. Three new pumps and drives will be installed. Standby power will be added. I judged the construction to be about 50 percent complete. A draft of the operation and maintenance manual is due to the Department for review.
- 11. Outfall. I observed the Multnomah Channel in proximity to the outfall. The outfall is approximately 4.8 km from the treatment plant. I observed no effects, such as discoloration or foaming, in the water.

## Flow Measurement

An effort was made to verify the accuracy of the influent and effluent flow meters, as described below.

The calculations to verify the accuracy of the influent and effluent flow meters are given in Appendix B. The results of this evaluation are that the influent flow meter appears to be operating correctly and is within 2 percent of the true instantaneous and total flow. The effluent flow meter is underreporting instantaneous and total flow by about 25 percent. The instantaneous and total flow is about 75 percent of the true value. Discharge monitoring reports of effluent flow and mass loads are 75 percent of the true values.

Mr. Wabschall noted that he has attempted to have the effluent flow meter calibrated in the past.

The NPDES permit (Appendix A) requires in Schedule B, Condition 1, that the influent and effluent flow meters be calibrated at least twice annually. Moreover, the General Conditions, Section C, Monitoring and Records, Condition 2, Flow Measurements, requires that "The devices shall be installed, calibrated, and maintained to insure that the accuracy of the measurements is consistent with the accepted capability of that type of device." The Department interprets this general condition to mean calibrated annually, unless more restrictive requirements exist in the permit. The sonic flow meter is capable of measuring the head to an accuracy of better than 98 to 102 percent of the true value (2 percent error).

Because the NPDES self-monitoring system is dependent upon accurate input data, the failure of the facility to keep the effluent meter properly calibrated is a Class II permit violation.

The facility needs to perform a comprehensive evaluation of flow measuring calibration procedures and to submit a report of the results to the Department. The calibration procedures should be added to the operation and maintenance manual.

## Records Review

Operating records for 1998 were reviewed. The months of July and December 1998 were selected for inspection.

# July 1998 Records

The records for July 1998 were inspected. Total suspended solids bench data and calculations were checked. No discrepancies were found. Fecal coliform bench data and calculations were also checked. Erroneous procedures were being used to calculate the fecal coliform results reported on the DMRs, as described below.

Fecal coliform tests are performed by the wastewater treatment plant operators. The bench data and calculations for the fecal coliform data for July 6, 10, and 20, 1998 were analyzed and found not to conform to the requirements of 40 CFR 136, which refers to method 9222 D in Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater. (See Appendix C.)

The facility normally runs three dilutions of the effluent using the membrane filter technique. The dilutions are: 10, 25 and 50 mL. Standard Methods requires that for the measurement of fecal coliform by the membrane filter technique only filters with counts between 20 and 60 coliform colonies and not more than 200 colonies of all types are to be counted. Generally, the facility has been reporting results with no filters in an acceptable range of counts.

Standard Methods provides for a method to count filters when there are no filters with counts in the acceptable range (20 to 60). The procedure is to sum the counts of all filters, divide by the sum of the dilutions, and multiply by 100. For example, 50-, 25-, and 10-mL dilutions with counts of 15, 6, and <1, respectively, would be reported as 25/100 mL calculated as follows:

$$\frac{\left[(15+6+0)(100)\right]}{(50+25+10)} = \frac{25}{100mL}$$

If any one dilution had a count in the acceptable range, that dilution would be reported and the other results would not be used. If more than one dilution has a count in the acceptable range, the count from the largest volume of sample should be reported. This is based on the theory that the largest sample volume is the most representative.

As shown in Appendix C, the facility has not used the correct procedures for reporting fecal coliform. The facility has been calculating the mean of the results of the three dilutions whether or not the counts are in an acceptable range.

The facility needs to run a wider range of dilutions in order to get at least one filter with 20 to 60 fecal coliform colonies, as specified by Standard Methods. If none of the dilutions are in an acceptable range, then the result to be reported should be calculated as described above.

The requirement to perform accurate monitoring and reporting is given in the General Conditions, Section C, Monitoring and Records, Condition 3, Monitoring Procedures: Monitoring must be conducted according to test procedures approved under 40 CFR Part 136, unless other test procedures have been specified in this permit. This refers to Standard Methods, Method 9222D, which is shown in Appendix C.

Because the NPDES self-monitoring system is dependent upon accurate input data, the failure of the facility to correctly run fecal coliform tests and to correctly report results is a Class II permit violation.

The facility needs to conduct a comprehensive quality control review of fecal coliform testing procedures. A report should be provided to the Department describing the results of the QA/QC review and QA/QC procedures to be inserted in the operations and maintenance manual.

## December 1998 Records

The records for December 1998 were also inspected. The records for December 9, 1998, and December 17, 1998, were examined in detail. No discrepancies were found for the Total Suspended Solids (TSS) bench data and calculations for these selected days.

Five-Day Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD<sub>5</sub>) bench data, calculations, and reporting were analyzed for December 9 and 17, 1998. The BOD tests do not meet the requirements of Standard Methods. The NPDES permit requires that the test procedures of 40 CFR 136 be followed in performing the analyses. This regulation refers to Standard Method 5210B, a copy of which is included in Appendix D along with the inspection analysis calculations.

The discrepancies between the required analytical and reporting procedures of method 5210B and the procedures followed by the facility are described below.

Acceptable results must have a DO depletion of 2 mg/L. The influent and effluent data for December 9 and 17, 1998, did not meet this requirement. Depletions were less than 2 mg/L.

The influent BOD<sub>5</sub> results for December 9 and 17, 1998 are fictitious numbers. The actual DO depletions for December 9, 1998 resulted in a calculated BOD<sub>5</sub> of 25.3 mg/L but a made up value of 100 mg/L was reported. The actual DO depletions for December 17, 1998 resulted in a calculated BOD<sub>5</sub> of 38.8 mg/L but a made up value of 60 mg/L was reported. In a follow up phone call on September 22, 1998, Mr. Wabschall said he knew the actual calculated values were too low for the influent BOD<sub>5</sub> so more realistic numbers were reported.

A glucose-glutamic acid check was not being run with each set of analyses. This check is to demonstrate that the seed is viable and should produce a BOD<sub>5</sub> of 198 mg/L +/- 30.5 mg/L.

One of the causes of insufficient DO depletions may be that the sample is too dilute and only the DO depletion of the seed is actually being measured. As much as 300 mL of sample (no dilution) may need to be run to get acceptable depletions. Another cause may be a lack of viable seed or toxic constituents.

A discrepancy was noted relative to the day for which the data was reported compared to the date the analyses were run. The BOD, TSS, and FC results for samples set up on December 9 and 17, 1998, which presumably were the same as the end of the 24 hour compositing period, were reported on the DMR as December 10 and 18, 1998. The results should have been reported for December 9 and 17, 1998, the end of the compositing period. Mr. Wabschall could not explain why the results were reported a day later than the day the samples were set up.

Because the NPDES self-monitoring system is dependent upon accurate and honest input data, the failure of the facility to correctly run and to honestly report BOD<sub>5</sub> test results is a Class I permit violation.

The facility needs to conduct a comprehensive quality assurance/quality control review of BOD testing procedures. A report should be provided to the Department describing the results of the QA/QC review along with recommended information to be inserted in the operations and maintenance manual. The QA/QC procedures should be sufficient to ensure that all necessary quality checks are performed during data analysis and reporting and that periodic audits are performed by a qualified individual who is independent of the internal laboratory staff. The requirement for a QA program is given in 40 CFR 122.41 (see Appendix D of this report).

## Split Sample Results

A grab sample was collected from the influent at the same location as the composite sampler, the Parshall flume inlet. A grab sample was collected from the effluent at the end of the UV disinfection channel. Both samples were split with Mr. Wabschall. Split samples were analyzed for the following-parameters:

	Split Sampl	es
Outfall	Type and Location	Parameters
Influent	Grab – Influent at Parshall flume inlet	BOD₅, TSS
001	Grab - Final Effluent after UV Disinfection	BOD <sub>5</sub> , TSS, Fecal Coliform

Additional analyses performed on the DEQ sample are: COD, TOC, and Total Metals. The permittee was not required to perform these additional analyses.

## Conventional Pollutants

Split Sample Data Results

Conventional pollutants monitored are Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD), Total Suspended Solids (TSS), pH, and Fecal Coliform (FC). Sample data represent conditions for a grab sample on 9/16/99 at about 1500 hours. (See Appendix E for split sample data.) Split sample results are as follows:

Conventional Pollutants					
Parameter	Location	Scappoose	DEQ	RPD	
BOD₅	Influent	300 mg/L	1100 mg/L	-114%	
BOD₅	Outfall 001, Final Effluent	8.1 mg/L	3 mg/L	92%	
TSS	Influent	316 mg/L	310 mg/L	2%	
TSS	Outfall 001, Final Effluent	5.0 mg/L	l mg/L	: 133%	
pН	Outfall 001, Final Effluent		7.6	! NA	

		Pollutants		
Parameter	Location Control Control	Scappoose	DEQ	RPD
FC	Outfall 001, Final Effluent	41 CFU/0.1 L	>600	NA
<u> </u>	-		CFU/0.1 L	

## Compliance with Effluent Limitations

The permit for this facility includes effluent limitations for conventional pollutants, as listed below.

		Effluen	t Limitation	s May 1-0	Oct Lagrand	
Parameter			ent Conc. Mo. Avg.		Wk. Avg.	Daily Max
	mg/L	mg/	L kg,	/d	kg/d	kg/d
BOD₅	21	29	11	.8	166	215
TSS	20	30	11	.5	172	230
FC/100 mL	200	400		-		
		Effluen	t Limitation	s Year Ar	ound	
pН			6.0-9.0			
BOD and TSS removal eff.			not <85%			
Total-Chlorin	ne Residual		NA - UV in u	ıse		

Using the effluent flow "true" value resulting from the inspection of 45.9 L/s (see calculations in Appendix F of this report) and DEQ data, the daily maximum values for the day of the inspection (1999-09-16) are given below.

$$m_{BOD5} = (45.9 \frac{L}{s})(3 \frac{mg}{L})(\frac{g}{10^3 mg})(\frac{kg}{10^3 g})(86400 \frac{s}{d}) = 11.9 \frac{kg}{d} BOD$$

$$m_{TSS} = (45.9 \frac{L}{s})(1 \frac{mg}{L})(\frac{g}{10^3 mg})(\frac{kg}{10^3 g})(86400 \frac{s}{d}) = 3.9 \frac{kg}{d} TSS$$

The daily maximum mass of BOD and TSS discharged on the day of the inspection were within the effluent limitations for those parameters.

Data was not collected to independently check monthly and weekly average limitations.

Percent removal calculations are as follows:

BOD % = 
$$\frac{1100 - 3}{1100}(100) = 99.7\%$$
  
 $TSS\% = \frac{310 - 1}{310}(100) = 99.7\%$ 

The percent removals of BOD and TSS on the day of the inspection were within the effluent limitations for those parameters.

## Inter-laboratory Results

Although the split sample results indicate that the facility is in compliance with the permit effluent limits, the inter-laboratory results indicate problems with the permittee's  $BOD_5$  and FC analytical procedures. The influent  $BOD_5$  results differ widely between labs with DEQ reporting 1100 mg/L and the permittee reporting 300 mg/L. The FC results for the effluent also differ widely with DEQ reporting >600 CFU/0.1 L and the permittee reporting 41 CFU/0.1 L.

As described previously, a QA/QC evaluation and procedures document is needed for this facility. The inter-laboratory differences support that conclusion.

## Unconventional Pollutants

Unconventional pollutants that were sampled include: Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD) and Total Organic Carbon (TOC). These parameters are additional measures of the organic content of wastewater and were not split with the permittee. They were selected for analysis to compare with BOD results, as follows:

Parameter	DEQ Data Result
TOC	6 mg/L
COD	17 mg/L
BOD₅	3 mg/L

The results for TOC and COD are consistent with the BOD $_5$  result.

## Toxic Pollutants

Toxic pollutants that were sampled include: Total Metals.

The metals measured in the effluent are given in Appendix E, Split Sampling Results. The metals reported for the effluent sample are generally below the Table 20 instream fresh water chronic concentrations (see Appendix G). None of the results indicate a cause for concern.

## Sources of Assistance

Because the inspection identified several areas of operations and laboratory quality control that need improvement, a partial list of consultants known to specialize in wastewater treatment operations and maintenance is given below for use by the permittee in obtaining assistance.

		stic wastewater systems that are
known to have provided on-site assessments:	technical assistance and system	performance evaluations/needs
Holly Ploetz	USEPA Oregon TA (CWA 104(g) Grantee) Fee paid by grant	Linn-Benton C.C. Water Quality Technology 6500 SW Pacific Blvd. Albany OR 978321-3774 541-917-4621
Doug Osburn or Ed Bickell	Rural Water/RUS TA Circuit Rider Program Fee paid by grant	Oregon Assn. of Water Utilities (OAWU) 12312 Silverton Road NE Silverton OR 97381 503-873-8353
Pat Curran, PE	Private Consultant Fee basis	Curran-McLeod, Inc. 6655 SW Hampton, Suite 210 Portland OR 97223 503-684-3478
Woodie M. Muirhead, PE	Private Consultant Fee Basis	Brown and Caldwell Eng. 9620 SW Barbur Blvd. Portland OR 503-244-7005
Reynolds "Dale" Richwine, PE	Private Consultant Fee Basis	Richwine Environmental, Inc. PO Box 7717 Beaverton OR 97007-7177 503-617-1721

Note: The LBCC EPA grant funded on-site TA program is ideal for DEQ referral regarding operational non-compliance, including self-monitoring issues (sampling and testing). They are a compliance assistance partner with DEQ with funding limitations to only POTWs who have past or potential for EPA construction funding. OAWU is funded in part by National Rural Water and the Rural Service Utilities and may assist private and public facilities and cooperatives (mobile home owners associations, etc.) The private consultants listed are well-respected and long-time operations experts. This list not intended to recommend or endorse the individuals or firms. It is up to the user to verify qualifications and experience.

## Inspection Conclusions

The facility was not in compliance with its NPDES permit. The following corrective actions are needed:

1. Calibrate the effluent flow meter for both instantaneous and totalizer flow measurements. Submit a report to the Department demonstrating accurate calibration of the effluent flow meter and a description of the procedures to be followed for periodic re-

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calibration. The procedures should be inserted in the operation and maintenance manual.

- 2. Perform a thorough evaluation of quality control procedures for BODs and fecal coliform, as well as other regulated parameters, and ensure that the analytical and quality control procedures of Standard Methods are followed. Submit a report describing improved laboratory quality assurance/quality control procedures needed or implemented. Submit QA/QC procedures for insertion in the operation and maintenance manual.
- 3. Submit for Department review a draft of the operation and maintenance manual for the Smith Road Pump Station.
- 4. Establish an executive level policy or guidance applicable to wastewater plant personnel that all analytical results will be reported accurately and honestly even if the data appear unusual. Such data should be flagged (noted) as questionable but still reported accurately. QA/QC corrective procedures should then be implemented.

## Permittee Response to Inspection

Subsequent to the inspection covered by this report, the Department received on 1999-11-01 a response to some of the items discussed during the inspection. The response is given in Appendix H, Permittee Response. Comments on this response are given below.

## Effluent Flow Meter Calibration

The effluent flow meter calibration described in the report is a beginning. However, a formal procedure for calibration of flow meters should be prepared. The calibration procedure should include a physical check as described but should also include procedures for calibration of the associated instruments. The calibration should be performed annually and documentation of the results should be retained in the facility files and available for inspection.

# BOD and Fecal Coliform Testing

The procedures suggested are a beginning. However, formal QA/QC procedures are needed.

The test data submitted for BOD is still not correct. Seed control should result in the seeded dilution water having a DO depletion in the range of 0.6 to 1.0 mg/L, not 1.4 mg/L as shown. Multiple dilutions should be run for the seed control. Glutamic acid QC checks should be performed. The seed correction should be performed by subtracting the seed correction (in the range of 0.6 to 1.0 mg/L) from the DO depletion

of the various dilutions. Although the procedure used of adding the seed correction to the final DO gives the right answer, the procedure is wrong. This illustrates the need for complete and formal QA/QC procedures for this facility.

The National Institute of Standards and Technology may have proficiency testing services that could be used as an additional QC check.

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Date

1999-12-29

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FIGURES :

Figure 1- Plant Layout Schematic

**APPENDICES** 

Appendix A - NPDES Permit

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#### MODIFICATION

# NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM WASTE DISCHARGE PERMIT

Department of Environmental Quality 1500 S.W. First Avenue, Suite 750 Fortland, OR 97201 Telephone: (503) 229-5263

Issued pursuant to ORS 468B.050 and The Federal Clean Water Act

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#### SOURCES COVERED BY THIS PERHIT:

City of Scappoose 34345 Columbia Blvd.

P.O. Box "P"

Scappoose, Oregon 97056

Outfall Outfall Type of Waste Number Location

Domestic Sewage 001

R.M. 10.5

PLANT TYPE AND LOCATION:

RECEIVING SYSTEM INFORMATION:

Extended Aeration Sewage Treatment Plant 2000 Columbia Ave.

Honeyman Road Treatment System Class: III

Collection System Class: II

Basin: Willamette

Sub-Basin: Lower Willamette Stream: Multmomah Channel Hydro Code: 22P-MULT 10.5 D

County: Columbia

EPA REFERENCE NO: OR 002242-0

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tand use findings in the permit record.

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Charles K. Ashbaker, Manager

Water Quality Northwest Region

#### PERMITTED ACTIVITIES

Until this permit expires or is modified or revoked, the permittee is authorized to construct, install, modify, or operate a wastewater collection, treatment, control and disposal system and discharge to public waters adequately treated wastewaters only from the authorized discharge point or points established in Schedule A and only in conformance with all the requirements, limitations, and conditions set forth in the attached schedules as follows:

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Unless authorized by another NPDES permit, each other direct and indirect discharge to public waters is prohibited.

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#### SCHEDULE A

- Waste Discharge Limitations not to be Exceeded After Fermit Issuance. (Existing Limits)
  - a. Outfall Number 001 (Sewage Treatment Plant Discharge)
    - (1) June 1 October 31:

	Average Effluent Concentrations		Weekly* Average	Daily* Maximum
Parameter	Monthly Weekly	lb/day	lb/day	lb/day
a BOD-5	20 mg/l 30 mg/l	83	125	166
b. TSS	20 mg/l 30 mg/l	83	1,25	166

(2) November 1 - May 30:

	Average Effluent	Monchly*	Weekly*	Daily*
	Concentrations	Average	Average	Maximum
Parameter	Monthly Weekly	<u>lb/dav</u>	<u>lb/dav</u>	lb/day
a. BOD-5	30 mg/l 30 mg/l	125	188	250
b. TSS	30 mg/l 30 mg/l	125	188	250

\*Based on average dry weather design flow to the facility equaling 0.50 MGD.

(3) Other parameters (year-round)

а.	pН	Shall be within the range 6.0 - 9.0
ъ.	BOD and TSS Removal Efficiency	Shall not be less than 85% monthly average

c. Chlorine Dosage Shall be equal to or greater than 25 pounds per day.

(4) Not withstanding the effluent limitations established by this permit, no wastes shall be discharged and no activities shall be conducted which violate Water Quality Standards as adopted in OAR 340-41-445 except in the defined mixing zone:

The mixing zone shall extend from the shore side of the outfall to one-half the width of the channel, 200 feet downstream and 200 feet upstream.

 Waste Discharge Limitations not to be Exceeded After Completion of New Sewage Treatment Plant and the Incorporation of Steinfeld's Process Wastewater.

a. Outfall Number 001 (Sewage Treatment Plant Discharge)

(1) May 1 - October 31:

	Average Effluent Concentrations	Average	Average	Daily* Maximum	MO WE DAILY AND AND MAX
<u>Parameter</u>	<u>Monthly Weekly</u>	<u>lb/day</u>	<u>lb/day</u>	<u>lb/dav</u>	kyld kyld kyld
a. BOD-5	21 mg/l 29 mg/l	260	367	47,4	118 166 215
b. TSS	20 mg/l 30 mg/l	253	~ 380	506	115 172 230
c. FC/100ml	200 - 400				1.2 ) 12 200

(2) November 1 - April 30:

	Average Effluent	-	•	Daily*
	Concentrations	Average	WASLES	Maximum
<u>Parameter</u>	Monthly Weekly	lb/day	<u>lb/dav</u>	<u>lb/day</u>
a. BOD-5	32 mg/l 47 mg/l	403	579	754
b. TSS	25 mg/l 37 mg/l	315	473	630
c FC/100m1	200 400			

\*Based on average dry weather design flow to the facility equaling 1.515 MGD.

(3) Other parameters (year-round)

a. pH

Shall be within the range 6.0 - 9.0

b. BOD and TSS Removal Efficiency

Shall not be less than 85% monthly average

c. Total Residual Chlorine

Shall not exceed 0.1 mg/

(4) Not withstanding the effluent limitations established by this permit, no wastes shall be discharged and no activities shall be conducted which violate Water Quality Standards as adopted in OAR 340-41-445 except in the defined mixing zone:

The mixing zone shall extend from the shore side of the outfall to one-half the width of the channel, 200 feet downstream and 200 feet upstream.

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## SCHEDULE B

- Minimum Monitoring and Reporting Requirements.
   (unless otherwise approved in writing by the Department)
  - a. Influent

Item or Parameter	Minimum Frequency	Type of Sample
* Total Flow (MGD)  * Flow Meter Calibration BOD-5 TSS pH	Daily 2/Year 2/Week 2/Week 3/Week	Continuous Verification Composite Composite Grab

b. Outfall Number 001 (Sewage Treatment Plant Outfall)

	Item or Parameter	Minimum Frequency	Type of Sample
* ~	Total Flow (MGD) Flow Meter Calibration	Daily	Continuous
$\rightarrow$ *		2/Year	Verification
	BOD - 5	2/Week	Composite
	TSS	2/Week	Composite
	pH	3/Week	Grab
	Fecal Coliform	1/Week	Grab
	Quantity Chlorine Used	Daily	Weight
	Chlorine Residual	Daily	Grab
	Average Percent Removed (BOD and TSS)	Monthly	Calculation

<sup>\*</sup>Required only at one site, whichever is more appropriate.

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## c. Sludge Management

<u>Item or Parameter</u>	Minimum Frequency	Type of Sample
Sludge analysis including: Total solids (% dry wt.) Volatile solids (% dry wt.) Volatile suspended solids (% dry wt.) Sludge nitrogen NH3-N; NO3-N; & TKN (% dry wt.) Sludge metals content for Pb; Zn; Cu; Ni; & Cd (mg Phosphorus (% dry wt.) Potassium (% dry wt.) pH (standard units)		Composite sample to be representative of the product to be land applied.
Record of % volatile solids reduction accomplished through digestion	Monthly	Calculation (See Note 1)
Record of sludge fecal coliform and fecal streptococci (enterroci) (per gram of volatile solids)	Monthly when land applying sludge.	Composite sample representative of the product to be land applied.
Record of locations where sludge is applied (Site location map to be maintained at treatment facility for review upon request by DEQ)	Each Occurrence	Date, volume & locations where sludge is applied recorded on site location map.

#### Notes:

1) Calculation of the % volatile solids reduction is to be based on comparison of a representative grab sample of total and volatile solids entering either the treatment works, or the secondary clarifier solids wasted to the treatment facility's aerobic digesters and a representative composite sample of sludge solids applied to land.

Monitoring reports (DMRs) shall include a record of the location, quantity and method of use of all sludge removed from the treatment facility and a record of all applicable equipment breakdowns and bypassing.

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## 2. Reporting Procedures

Monitoring results shall be reported on approved forms. The reporting period is the calendar month. Reports must be submitted to the Department by the 15th day of the following month.

All monitoring reports shall indicate the wastewater system classification as shown on page 1 of this permit and include the name of each principal operator designated by the permittee as responsible for supervising the system during the reporting period, and their cartificate classification and grade level.

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#### SCHEDULE C

#### Compliance Schedules and Conditions

- By November 1, 1992, the permittee shall submit a revised sludge management plan for approval by the Department of Environmental Quality. This revised sludge management plan shall account for additional sludge volumes resulting from plant expansion and the adequacy of existing sludge disposal practices.
- 2. The permittee shall have in place a program to identify and reduce inflow and infiltration into the sewage collection system. An annual report shall be submitted to the Department by September 1 each year which details sewer collection maintenance activities that have been done in the previous year and outlines those activities planned for the following year.
- 3. The permittee is expected to meet the compliance dates which have been established in this schedule. Either prior to or no later than 14 days following any lapsed compliance date, the permittee shall submit to the Department a notice of compliance or noncompliance with the established schedule. The Director may revise a schedule of compliance if he determines good and valid cause resulting from events over which the permittee has little or no control.

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#### SCHEDULE D

#### Special Conditions

 All sludge shall be managed in accordance with a sludge management plan approved by the Department of Environmental Quality. No substantial changes shall be made in sludge management activities which significantly differ from operations specified under the approved plan without the prior written approval of the Department.

In the event the permittee finds it necessary to remove accumulated sludge solids from the lagoons, the permittee shall submit and obtain Department approval of a sludge management plan developed in accordance with Administrative Rule, Chapter 340, Division 50 "Land Application and Disposal of Sewage Treatment Plant Sludge and Sludge Derived Products Including Septage" prior to removing sludge.

- The permittee shall comply with Oregon Administrative Rules (OAR), Chapter 340, Division 49, "Regulations Pertaining To Certification of Wastewater System Operator Personnel" and accordingly:
  - a. The permittee shall have its wastewater system supervised by one or more operators who are certified in a classification and grade level (equal to or greater) that corresponds with the classification (collection and /or treatment) of the system to be supervised as specified on page one of this permit.

Note: A "supervisor" is defined as the person exercising authority for establishing and executing the specific practice and procedures of operating the system in accordance with the policies of the permittee and requirements of the waste discharge permit. "Supervise" means responsible for the technical operation of a system, which may affect its performance or the quality of the effluent produced. Supervisors are not required to be onsite at all times.

- b. The permittee's wastewater system may not be without supervision (as required by Special Condition 2a. above) for more than thirty (30) days. During this period, and at any time that the supervisor is not available to respond on-site (i.e. vacation, sick leave or off-call), the permittee rust make available another person who is certified at no less than one grade level lower than the system classification.
- c. If the wastewater system has more than one daily shift, the permittee shall have the shift supervisor, if any, certified at no less than one grade level lower than the system classification.
- d. The permittee is responsible for ensuring the wastewater system has a properly certified supervisor available at all times to respond on-site at the request of the permittee and to any other operator.

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- e. The permittee shall notify the Department of Environmental Quality in writing within thirty (30) days of replacement or redesignation of certified operators responsible for supervising wastewater system operation. The notice shall be filed with the Water Quality Division, Operator Certification Program (see address on page one). This requirement is in addition to the reporting requirements contained under Schedule B of this permit.
- f. Upon written request, the Department may grant the permittee reasonable time, not to exceed 120 days, to obtain the services of a qualified person to supervise the wastewater system. The written request must include justification for the time needed, a schedule for recruiting and hiring, the date the system supervisor availability ceased, and the name of the alternate system supervisor(s) as required by 2.b. above.

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#### NPDES GENERAL CONDITIONS

#### SECTION A. STANDARD CONDITIONS

#### 1. Duty to Comply

The permittee must comply with all conditions of this permit. Any permit noncompliance constitutes a violation of Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) 468.720 and is grounds for enforcement action; for permit termination, suspension, or modification; or for denial of a permit renewal application.

#### 2. Penalties for Violations of Permit Conditions

Oregon Law (ORS 468.140) allows the Director to impose civil penalties up to \$10,000 per day for violation of a term, condition, or requirement of a permit.

In addition, Oregon Law (ORS 468.990) classifies a willful or negligent violation of the terms of a permit or failure to get a permit as a misdemeanor and a person convicted thereof shall be punishable by a fine of not more than \$25,000 or by imprisonment for not more than one year, or by both. Each day of violation constitutes a separate offense.

## 3. Duty to Mitigate

The permittee shall take all reasonable steps to minimize or prevent any discharge or sludge use or disposal in violation of this permit which has a reasonable likelihood of adversely affecting human health or the environment. In addition, upon request of the Department, the permittee shall correct any adverse impact on the environment or human health resulting from noncompliance with this permit, including such accelerated or additional monitoring as necessary to determine the nature and impact of the noncomplying discharge.

## 4. Duty to Reapply

If the permittee wishes to continue an activity regulated by this permit after the expiration date of this permit, the permittee must apply for and have the permit renewed. The application shall be submitted at least 180 days before the expiration date of this permit.

The Director may grant permission to submit an application less than 180 days in advance but no later than the permit expiration date.

#### 5. Permit Actions

This permit may be modified, suspended, revoked and reissued, or terminated for cause including, but not limited to, the following:

- a. Violation of any term, condition, or requirement of this permit, a rule, or a statute;
- Obtaining this permit by misrepresentation or failure to disclose fully all material facts; or
- c. A change in any condition that requires either a temporary or permanent reduction or elimination of the authorized discharge.

The filing of a request by the permittee for a permit modification or a notification of planned changes or anticipated noncompliance, does not stay any permit condition.

#### 6. Toxic Pollutants

The permittee shall comply with any applicable effluent standards or prohibitions established under Section 307(a) of the Clean Water Act for toxic pollutants within the time provided in the regulations that establish those standards or prohibitions, even if the permit has not yet been modified to incorporate the requirement.

#### 7. Property Rights

The issuance of this permit does not convey any property rights of any sort, or any exclusive privilege.

#### 8. Permit References

Except for effluent standards or prohibitions established under Section 307(a) of the Clean Water Act for toxic pollutants and standards for sewage sludge use or disposal established under Section 405(d) of the Clean Water Act, all rules and statutes referred to in this permit are those in effect on the date this permit is issued.

#### SECTION B. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF POLLUTION CONTROLS

#### Proper Operation and Maintenance

The permittee shall at all times properly operate and maintain all facilities and systems of treatment and control (and related appurtenances) which are installed or used by the permittee to achieve compliance with the conditions of this permit. Proper operation and maintenance also includes adequate laboratory controls, and appropriate quality assurance procedures. This provision requires the operation of back-up or auxiliary facilities or similar systems which are installed by a permittee only when the operation is necessary to achieve compliance with the conditions of the permit.

## 2. Duty to Halt or Reduce Activity

For industrial or commercial facilities, upon reduction, loss, or failure of the treatment facility, the permittee shall, to the extent

necessary to maintain compliance with its permit, control production or all discharges or both until the facility is restored or an alternative method of treatment is provided. This requirement applies, for example, when the primary source of power of the treatment facility fails or is reduced or lost. It shall not be a defense for a permittee in an enforcement action that it would have been necessary to halt or reduce the permitted activity in order to maintain compliance with the conditions of this permit.

#### 3. Bypass of Treatment Facilities

#### a. Definitions

- (1) "Bypass" means intentional diversion of waste streams from any portion of the treatment facility. The term "bypass" does not include nonuse of singular or multiple units or processes of a treatment works when the nonuse is insignificant to the quality and/or quantity of the effluent produced by the treatment works. The term "bypass" does not apply if the diversion does not cause effluent limitations to be exceeded, provided the diversion is to allow essential maintenance to assure efficient operation.
- (2) "Severe property damage" means substantial physical damage to property, damage to the treatment facilities or treatment processes which causes them to become inoperable, or substantial and permanent loss of natural resources which can reasonably be expected to occur in the absence of a bypass. Severe property damage does not mean economic loss caused by delays in production.

#### b. Prohibition of bypass.

- (1) Bypass is prohibited unless:
  - (a) Bypass was necessary to prevent loss of life, personal injury, or severe property damage;
  - (b) There were no feasible alternatives to the bypass, such as the use of auxiliary treatment facilities, retention of untreated wastes, or maintenance during normal periods of equipment downtime. This condition is not satisfied if adequate backup equipment should have been installed in the exercise of reasonable engineering judgement to prevent a bypass which occurred during normal periods of equipment downtime or preventative maintenance; and
  - (c) The permittee submitted notices and requests as required under paragraph c of this section.
- (2) The Director may approve an anticipated bypass, after considering its adverse effects and any alternatives to

bypassing, when the Director determines that it will meet the three conditions listed above in paragraph b(l) of this section.

- c. Notice and request for bypass.
  - (1) Anticipated bypass. If the permittee knows in advance of the need for a bypass, it shall submit prior written notice, if possible at least ten days before the date of the bypass.
  - (2) Unanticipated bypass. The permittee shall submit notice of an unanticipated bypass as required in Section D, Paragraph D-5.

#### 4. Upset

- a. Definition. "Upset" means an exceptional incident in which there is unintentional and temporary noncompliance with technology based permit effluent limitations because of factors beyond the reasonable control of the permittee. An upset does not include noncompliance to the extent caused by operation error, improperly designed treatment facilities, inadequate treatment facilities, lack of preventative maintenance, or careless or improper operation.
- b. Effect of an upset. An upset constitutes an affirmative defense to an action brought for noncompliance with such technology based permit effluent limitations if the requirements of Section B.4.c. of these General Conditions are met. No determination made during administrative review of claims that non-compliance was caused by upset, and before an action for noncompliance, is final administrative action subject to judicial review.
- c. Conditions necessary for a demonstration of upset. A permittee who wishes to establish the affirmative defense of upset shall demonstrate, through properly signed, contemporaneous operating logs, or other relevant evidence that:
  - (1) An upset occurred and that the permittee can identify the causes(s) of the upset;
  - (2) The permitted facility was at the time being properly operated; and
  - (3) The permittee submitted notice of the upset as required in Section D.5., hereof (24-hour notice).
  - (4) The permittee complied with any remedial measures required under Section A.3 hereof.
- d. Burden of proof. In any enforcement proceeding the permittee seeking to establish the occurrence of an upset has the burden of proof.

#### 5. Treatment of Single Operational Event

For purposes of this permit, A Single Operational Event which leads to simultaneous violations of more than one pollutant parameter shall be treated as a single violation. A single operational event is an exceptional incident which causes simultaneous, unintentional, unknowing (not the result of a knowing act or omission), temporary noncompliance with more than one Clean Water Act effluent discharge pollutant parameter. A single operational event does not include Clean Water Act violations involving discharge without an NPDES permit or noncompliance to the extent caused by improperly designed or inadequate treatment facilities. Each day of a single operational event is a violation.

# 6. Overflows from Wastewater Conveyance Systems and Associated Pump Stations

#### a. Definitions

- (1) "Overflow" means the diversion and discharge of waste streams from any portion of the wastewater conveyance system including pump stations, through a designed overflow device or structure, other than discharges to the wastewater treatment facility.
- (2) "Severe property damage" means substantial physical damage to property, damage to the conveyance system or pump station which causes them to become inoperable, or substantial and permanent loss of natural resources which can reasonably be expected to occur in the absence of an overflow.
- (3) "Uncontrolled overflow" means the diversion of waste streams other than through a designed overflow device or structure, for example to overflowing manholes or overflowing into residences, commercial establishments, or industries that may be connected to a conveyance system.
- b. Prohibition of overflows. Overflows are prohibited unless:
  - (1) Overflows were unavoidable to prevent an uncontrolled overflow, loss of life, personal injury, or severe property damage; and
  - (2) There were no feasible alternatives to the overflows, such as the use of auxiliary pumping or conveyance systems, or maximization of conveyance system storage; and
  - (3) The overflows are the result of an upset as defined in Condition B4 and meeting all requirements of this condition.
- C. Uncontrolled overflows are prohibited where wastewater is likely to escape or be carried into the waters of the State by any means.

d. Reporting required. Unless otherwise specified in writing by the Department, all overflows and uncontrolled overflows must be reported orally to the Department within 24 hours from the time the permittee becomes aware of the overflow. Reporting procedures are described in more detail in Condition D.S.

## 7. Public Notification of Effluent Violation or Overflow

If effluent limitations specified in this permit are exceeded or an overflow occurs, upon request by the Department, the permittee shall take such steps as are necessary to alert the public about the extent and nature of the discharge. Such steps may include, but are not limited to, posting of the river at access points and other places, news releases, and paid announcements on radio and television.

## 8. Removed Substances

Solids, sludges, filter backwash, or other pollutants removed in the course of treatment or control of wastewaters shall be disposed of in such a manner as to prevent any pollutant from such materials from entering public waters, causing nuisance conditions, or creating a public health hazard.

#### SECTION C. MONITORING AND RECORDS

#### 1. Representative Sampling

Sampling and measurements taken as required herein shall be representative of the volume and nature of the monitored discharge. All samples shall be taken at the monitoring points specified in this permit and shall be taken, unless otherwise specified, before the effluent joins or is diluted by any other waste stream, body of water, or substance. Monitoring points shall not be changed without notification to and the approval of the Director.

#### Flow Measurements

Appropriate flow measurement devices and methods consistent with accepted scientific practices shall be selected and used to insure the accuracy and reliability of measurements of the volume of monitored discharges. The devices shall be installed, calibrated and maintained to insure that the accuracy of the measurements is consistent with the accepted capability of that type of device. Devices selected shall be capable of measuring flows with a maximum deviation of less than ± 10 percent from true discharge rates throughout the range of expected discharge volumes.

#### Monitoring Procedures

Monitoring must be conducted according to test procedures approved under 40 CFR Part 136, unless other test procedures have been specified in this permit.

## 4. Penalties of Tampering

The Clean Water Act provides that any person who falsifies, tampers with, or knowingly renders inaccurate, any monitoring device or method required to be maintained under this permit shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than \$10,000 per violation, or by imprisonment for not more than two years, or by both. If a conviction of a person is for a violation committed after a first conviction of such person, punishment is a fine not more than \$20,000 per day of violation, or by imprisonment of not more than four years or both.

## 5. Reporting of Monitoring Results

Monitoring results shall be summarized each month on a Discharge Monitoring Report form approved by the Department. The reports shall be submitted monthly and are to be mailed, delivered or otherwise transmitted by the 15th day of the following month unless specifically approved otherwise in Schedule B of this permit.

## 6. Additional Monitoring by the Permittee

If the permittee monitors any pollutant more frequently than required by this permit, using test procedures approved under 40 CFR 136 or as specified in this permit, the results of this monitoring shall be included in the calculation and reporting of the data submitted in the DMR. Such increased frequency shall also be indicated. For a pollutant parameter that may be sampled more than once per day (e.g., Total Chlorine Residual), only the average daily value shall be recorded unless otherwise specified in this permit.

## 7. Averaging of Measurements

Calculations for all limitations which require averaging of measurements shall utilize an arithmetic mean, except for bacteria which shall be averaged based on a geometric or log mean.

#### 8. Retention of Records

The permittee shall retain records of all monitoring information, including all calibration and maintenance records of all original strip chart recordings for continuous monitoring instrumentation, copies of all reports required by this permit, and records of all data used to complete the application for this permit, for a period of at least 3 years from the date of the sample, measurement, report or application. This period may be extended by request of the Director at any time.

## 9. Records Contents

Records of monitoring information shall include:

- a. The date, exact place, time and methods of sampling or measurements;
- b. The individual(s) who performed the sampling or measurements;
- c. The date(s) analyses were performed;
- d. The individual(s) who performed the analyses;
- e. The analytical techniques or methods used; and
- f. The results of such analyses.

## 10. <u>Inspection and Entry</u>

The permittee shall allow the Director, or an authorized representative upon the presentation of credentials to:

- a. Enter upon the permittee's premises where a regulated facility or activity is located or conducted, or where records must be kept under the conditions of this permit;
- b. Have access to and copy, at reasonable times, any records that must be kept under the conditions of this permit;
- c. Inspect at reasonable times any facilities, equipment (including monitoring and control equipment), practices, or operations regulated or required under this permit, and
- d. Sample or monitor at reasonable times, for the purpose of assuring permit compliance or as otherwise authorized by state law, any substances or parameters at any location.

#### SECTION D. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

#### 1. Planned Changes

The permittee shall comply with Oregon Administrative Rules (OAR) 340, Division 52, "Review of Plans and Specifications". Except where exempted under OAR 340-52, no construction, installation, or modification involving disposal systems, treatment works, sewerage systems, or common sewers shall be commenced until the plans and specifications are submitted to and approved by the Department. The permittee shall give notice to the Department as soon as possible of any planned physical alternations or additions to the permitted facility.

#### Anticipated Noncompliance

The permittee shall give advance notice to the Director of any planned changes in the permitted facility or activity which may result in noncompliance with permit requirements.

#### 3. Transfers

This permit may be transferred to a new permittee provided the transferee acquires a property interest in the permitted activity and agrees in writing to fully comply with all the terms and conditions of the permit and the rules of the Commission. No permit shall be transferred to a third party without prior written approval from the Director. The permittee shall notify the Department when a transfer of property interest takes place.

#### 4. Compliance Schedule

Reports of compliance or noncompliance with, or any progress reports on interim and final requirements contained in any compliance schedule of this permit shall be submitted no later than 14 days following each schedule date. Any reports of noncompliance shall include the cause of noncompliance, any remedial actions taken, and the probability of meeting the next scheduled requirements.

## 5. Twenty-Four Hour Reporting

The permittee shall report any noncompliance which may endanger health or the environment. Any information shall be provided orally (by telephone) within 24 hours from the time the permittee becomes aware of the circumstances. During normal business hours, the Department's Regional office shall be called. Outside of normal business hours, the Department shall be contacted at 1-800-452-0311 (Oregon Accident Response System). A written submission shall also be provided within 5 days of the time the permittee becomes aware of the circumstances. The written submission shall contain:

- a. A description of the noncompliance and its cause;
- b. The period of noncompliance, including exact dates and times;
- c. The estimated time noncompliance is expected to continue if it has not been corrected; and
- d. Steps taken or planned to reduce, eliminate, and prevent reoccurrence of the noncompliance.
- e. Public notification steps taken, pursuant to General Condition B-7.

The following shall be included as information which must be reported within 24 hours under this paragraph:

- a. Any unanticipated bypass which exceeds any effluent limitation in this permit.
- b. Any upset which exceeds any effluent limitation in the permit.

c. Violation of maximum daily discharge limitation for any of the pollutants listed by the Director in the permit.

The Department may waive the written report on a case-by-case basis if the oral report has been received within 24 hours.

## 6. Other Noncompliance

The permittee shall report all instances of non-compliance not reported under Section D4 or D5, at the time monitoring reports are submitted. The reports shall contain:

- a. A description of the noncompliance and its cause;
- b. The period of noncompliance, including exact dates and times;
- c. The estimated time noncompliance is expected to continue if it has not been corrected; and
- d. Steps taken or planned to reduce, eliminate, and prevent reoccurrence of the noncompliance.

## 7. Duty to Provide Information

The permittee shall furnish to the Department, within a reasonable time, any information which the Department may request to determine compliance with this permit. The permittee shall also furnish to the Department, upon request, copies of records required to be kept by this permit.

Other Information: When the permittee becomes aware that it failed to submit any relevant facts in a permit application, or submitted incorrect information in a permit application or any report to the Department, it shall promptly submit such facts or information.

## 8. Signatory Requirements

All applications, reports or information submitted to the Department shall be signed and certified in accordance with 40 CFR 122.22.

#### 9. Falsification of Reports

State law provides that any person who knowingly makes any false statement, representation, or certification in any record or other document submitted or required to be maintained under this permit, including monitoring reports or reports of compliance or noncompliance shall, upon conviction be punished by a fine of not more than \$1,000 per violation, or by imprisonment for not more than six months per violation, or by both.

# 10. Changes to Indirect Dischargers - [Applicable to Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTW) only]

The permittee must provide adequate notice to the Department of the following:

- Any new introduction of pollutants into the POTW from an indirect discharger which would be subject to section 301 or 306 of the Clean: Water Act if it were directly discharging those pollutants and:
- b. Any substantial change in the volume or character of pollutants being introduced into the POTW by a source introducing pollutants into the POTW at the time of issuance of the permit.
- c. For the purposes of this paragraph, adequate notice shall include information on (i) the quality and quantity of effluent introduced into the POTW, and (ii) any anticipated impact of the change on the quantity or quality of effluent to be discharged from the POTW.

#### SECTION E. DEFINITIONS

- 1. BOD means five-day biochemical oxygen demand.
- 2. TSS means total suspended solids (non-filterable residue).
- 3. Mg/l means milligrams per liter.
- 4. Kg means kilograms.
- 5. M<sup>3</sup>/d means cubic meters per day.
- 6. MGD means million gallons per day.
- 7. Composite sample means a sample formed by collecting and mixing discrete samples taken periodically and based on time or flow.
- 8. FC means fecal coliform bacteria.
- 9. Technology based permit effluent limitations means technology-based treatment requirements as defined in 40 CFR 125.3, and concentration and mass load effluent limitations that are based on minimum design criteria specified in OAR 340-41.
- 10. CBOD means five day carbonaceous biochemical oxygen demand.
- 11. Grab sample means an individual discrete sample collected over a period of time not to exceed 15 minutes.
- 12. Quarter means January through March, April through June, July through September, or October through December.

- 13. Month means calendar month.
- 14. Week means a calendar week of Sunday through Saturday.
- 15. Total residual chlorine means combined chlorine forms plus free residual chlorine.
- 16. The term "bacteria" includes but is not limited to fecal coliform bacteria, total coliform bacteria, and enterococci bacteria.
- 17. POTW means a publicly owned treatment works.

Appendix B –Analysis of Flow Measurement Calibration

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#### TABLE IA.-LIST OF APPROVED BIOLOGICAL METHODS

Parameter and units	Mathod <sup>I</sup>	EPA	Standard methods, 18th Ed.	ASTM	usgs
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> 1. Coliform (fecal), number	Most Probable Number (MPN), 5 tube	p. 1323	9221C E1	***************************************	
per 100 mL.	3 dilution, or Membrane filter (MF)2, single step	p. 1243	922203		B-0050-85 F
2. Coliform (lecal) in presence	MPN, 5 tube, 3 dilution, or	p. 1323	9221C E4		
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4. Coliform (total), in presence		p. 1143	922184		1
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<ol><li>Fecal streptococci, number</li></ol>	MPN, 5 tube, 3 dilution	p. 139 <sup>2</sup>	9230B 4		1
per 100 mL.	MF2, or	p. 1363	9230C4		B-0055-85 f
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Notes to Table IA:

The method must be specified when results are reported.

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d. Alternative enrichment technique: Place a sterile absorbent pad in the lid of a sterile culture dish and pipet at least 2.0 mL lauryl tryptose broth, prepared as directed in 9221B.1.a1), to saturate pad. Carefully remove any excess liquid from absorbent pad by decanting plate. Aseptically place filter through which the sample has been passed on pad. Incubate filter, without inverting dish, for 1.5 to 2 h at 35  $\pm$  0.5°C in an atmosphere of at least 60% relative humidity.

If the agar-based Endo-type medium is used, remove enrichment culture from incubator, lift filter from enrichment pad, and roll it onto the agar surface, which has been allowed to equilibrate to room temperature. Incorrect filter placement is at once obvious, because patches of unstained membrane indicate entrapment of air. Where such patches occur, carefully reseat filter on agar surface. If the liquid medium is used, prepare final culture by removing enrichment culture from incubator and separating the dish halves. Place a fresh sterile pad in bottom half of dish and saturate with at least 2.0 mL of M-Endo medium and carefully remove excess liquid from absorbent pad by decanting plate. Transfer filter, with same precautions as above, to new pad. Discard used enrichment pad.

With either the agar or the liquid medium, invert dish and incubate for 20 to 22 h at 35  $\pm$  0.5°C. Proceed to  $\P$   $\epsilon$  below.

e. Counting: To determine colony counts on membrane filters, use a low-power (10 to 15 magnifications) binocular wide-field dissecting microscope or other optical device, with a cool white fluorescent light source directed to provide optimal viewing of sheen. The typical coliform colony has a pink to dark-red color with a metallic surface sheen. Count both typical and atypical coliform colonies. The sheen area may vary in size from a small pinhead to complete coverage of the colony surface. Atypical coliform colonies can be dark red, mucoid, or nucleated without sheen. Generally pink, blue, white, or colorless colonies lacking sheen are considered noncoliforms. The total count of colonies (coliform and noncoliform) on Endo-type medium has no consistent relationship to the total number of bacteria present in the original sample. A high count of noncoliform colonies may interfere with the maximum development of coliforms. Refrigerating cultures (after 22 h incubation) with high densities of noncoliform colonies for 0.5 to 1 h before counting may deter spread of confluence while aiding sheen discernment.

Samples of disinfected water or wastewater effluent may include stressed organisms that grow relatively slowly and produce maximum sheen in 22 to 24 h. Organisms from undisinfected sources may produce sheen at 16 to 18 h, and the sheen subsequently may fade after 24 to 30 h.

f. Coliform verification: Occasionally, typical sheen colonies may be produced by noncoliform organisms and atypical colonies (dark red or nucleated colonies without sheen) may be coliforms. Preferably verify all typical and atypical colony types. For drinking water, verify all suspect coionies by swabbing the entire membrane or pick at least five typical colonies and five atypical colonies from a given membrane filter culture. For waters other than drinking water, at a minimum, verify at least 10 sheen colonies (and representative atypical colonies of different morphological types) from a positive water sample monthly. See Section 9020B.8. Based on need and sample type, laboratories may incorporate more stringent quality control measures (e.g., verify at least one colony from each typical or atypical colony type from a given membrane filter culture, verify 10% of the positive sam-

ples). Adjust counts on the basis of verification results. Verification tests are listed below.

1) Lactose fermentation—Transfer growth from each colony or swab the entire membrane with a sterile cotton swab (for presence-absence results in drinking water samples) and place in lauryl tryptose broth: incubate the lauryl tryptose broth at 35  $\pm$  0.5°C for 48 h. Gas formed in lauryl tryptose broth and confirmed in brilliant green lactose broth (Section 9221B.2 for medium preparation) within 48 h verifies the colony as a coliform. Simultaneous inoculation of both media for gas production is acceptable. Inclusion of EC broth inoculation for 44.5  $\pm$  0.2°C incubation will provide information on the presence of fecal coliforms. Use of EC-MUG with incubation at 44.5  $\pm$  0.2°C for 24 h will provide information on presence of E. coli. See Section 9222G for MF partition procedures.

2) Alternative coliform verifications—Apply this alternative coliform verification procedure to isolated colonies on the membrane filter culture. If a mixed culture is suspected or if colony separation is less than 2 mm, streak the growth to M-Endo medium or MacConkey agar to assure culture purity or submit the mixed growth to the fermentation tube method.

a) Rapid test—A rapid verification of colonies utilizes test reactions for cytochrome oxidase (CO) and  $\beta$ -galactosidase. Coliform reactions are CO negative and  $\beta$ -galactosidase positive within 4 h incubation of tube culture or micro (spot) test procedure

b) Commercial multi-test systems—Verify the colony by streaking it for purification, selecting a well-isolated colony, and inocularing into a multi-test identification system for Enterobacteriaceae that includes lactose fermentation and/or β-galactosidase and CO test reactions.

#### 6. Calculation of Coliform Density

Compute the count, using membrane filters with 20 to 80 colliform colonies and not more than 200 colonies of all types per membrane, by the following equation:

(Total) coliforms/100 mL =  $\frac{\text{coliform colonies counted} \times 100}{\text{mL sample filtered}}$ 

If no coliform colonies are observed, report the coliform colonies counted as "<1 coliform/100 mL."

For verified colliform counts, adjust the initial count based upon the positive verification percentage and report as "verified colliform count/100 mL."

Percentage verified coliforms

= number of verified colonies total number of coliform colonies subjected to verification

a. Water of drinking water quality: While the EPA Total Coliform Rule for public water supply samples requires only a record of coliform presence or absence in 100-mL samples, it may be advisable to determine coliform densities in repeat sampling situations. This is of particular importance when a coliform biofilm problem is suspected in the distribution system. Quantitative information may provide an indication of the magnitude of a contaminating event.

With water of good quality, the occurrence of coliforms generally will be minimal. Therefore, count all coliform colonies (dis-

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regarding the lower limit of 20 cited above) and use the formula given above to obtain coliform density.

if confluent growth occurs, covering either the entire filtration area of the membrane or a portion thereof, and colonies are not discrete, report results as "confluent growth with (or without) coliforms." If the total number of bacterial colonies, coliforms plus noncoliforms, exceeds 200 per membrane, or if the colonies are not distinct enough for accurate counting, report results as "too numerous to count" (TNTC) or "confluent," respectively. For drinking water, the presence of coliforms in such cultures showing no sheen may be confirmed by either transferring a few colonies or placing the entire membrane filter culture into a sterile tube of brilliant green lactose bile broth. As an alternative, brush the entire filter surface with a sterile loop, applicator stick, or cotton swab and inoculate this growth to the tube of brilliant green lactose bile broth. If gas is produced from the brilliant green bile broth tube within 48 h at 35 ± 0.5°C, coliforms are present. For compliance with the EPA Total Coliform Rule, report confluent growth or TNTC with at least one detectable coliform colony (which is verified) as a total coliform positive sample. Report confluent growth or TNTC without detectable coliforms as invalid. For invalid samples, request a new sample from the same location within 24 h and select more appropriate volumes to be filtered per membrane, observing the requirement that the standard drinking water portion is 100 mL, or choose another coliform method that is less subject to heterotrophic bacterial interferences. Thus, to reduce interference from overcrowding, instead of filtering 100 mL per membrane, filter 50-mL portions through two separate membranes, 25-mL portions through each of four membranes, etc. Total the coliform counts observed on all membranes and report as number per 100 mL.

b. Water of other than drinking water quality: As with potable water samples, if no filter has a coliform count falling in the ideal range, total the coliform counts on all filters and report as number per 100 mL. For example, if duplicate 50-mL portions were examined and the two membranes had five and three coliform colonies, respectively, report the count as eight coliform colonies per 100 mL, i.e.,

$$\frac{[(5 + 3) \times 100]}{(50 + 50)} = 8 \text{ coliforms/100 mL}$$

Similarly, if 50-, 25-, and 10-mL portions were examined and the counts were 15, 6, and <1 coliform colonies, respectively, report the count as 25/100 mL, i.e.,

$$\frac{[(15 + 6 + 0) \times 100]}{(50 + 25 + 10)} = 25 \text{ coliforms/100 mL}$$

On the other hand, if 10-, 1.0-, and 0.1-mL portions were examined with counts of 40, 9, and <1 coliform colonies, respectively, select the 10-mL portion only for calculating the coliform density because this filter had a coliform count falling in the ideal range. The result is 400/100 mL, i.e.,

$$\frac{(40 \times 100)}{10} = 400 \text{ coliforms/100 mL}$$

In this last example, if the membrane with 40 coliform colonies also had a total <u>bacterial colony</u> count greater than 200, report the coliform count as  $\geq 400/100$  mL.

TABLE 9222:II. CONFIDENCE LIMITS FOR MEMBRANE FILTER COLIFORM RESULTS USING 100-ML SAMPLE

Number of Coliform _	95% Confid	lence Limits		
Colonies Counted	Lower	Upper		
0	0.0	3,7		
1	0.1	5.6		
2	0.2	7.2		
3	0.6	3.3		
4	1.0	10.2		
5	1.6	11.7		
6	2.2	13.1		
7	2.3	14.4		
8	3.4	15.8		
9	4.0	17.1		
10	4.7	18.4		
11	5.4	19.7		
12	6.2	21.0		
13	6.9	22.3		
14	7.7	23.5		
15	8,4	24.8		
16	9.2	26.0		
17	9.9	27.2		
18	10.7	28.4		
19	11.5	29.6		
20	12.2	30.8		

Report confluent growth or membranes with colonies too numerous to count as described in a above. Request a new sample and select more appropriate volumes for filtration or utilize the multiple-tube fermentation technique.

c. Statistical reliability of membrane filter results: Although the precision of the MF technique is greater than that of the MPN procedure, membrane counts may underestimate the number of viable coliform bacteria. Table 9222:II illustrates some 95% confidence limits. These values are based on the assumption that bacteria are distributed randomly and follow a Poisson distribution. For results with counts, c, greater than 20 organisms, calculate the approximate 95% confidence limits using the following normal distribution equations:

Upper limit = 
$$c + 2\sqrt{c}$$
 Lower limit =  $c - 2\sqrt{c}$ 

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- b. Culture dishes: Tight-fitting plastic dishes are preferred because the membrane filter cultures are submerged in a water bath during incubation. Place fecal coliform cultures in plastic bags or seal individual dishes with waterproof (freezer) tape to prevent leakage during submersion. Specifications for plastic culture dishes are given in Section 9222B.1e.
- c. Incubator: The specificity of the fecal coliform test is related directly to the incubation temperature. Static air incubation may be a problem in some types of incubators because of potential heat layering within the chamber, slower heat transfer from air to the medium, and the slow recovery of temperature each time the incubator is opened during daily operations. To meet the need for greater temperature control use a water bath, a heat-sink incubator, or a properly designed and constructed incubator shown to give equivalent results. A temperature tolerance of  $\pm 4.5 \pm 0.2^{\circ}\mathrm{C}$  can be obtained with most types of water baths that also are equipped with a gable top for the reduction of water and heat losses.

#### 2. Procedure

a. Selection of sample size: Select volume of water sample to be examined in accordance with the information in Table 9222: III. Use sample volumes that will yield counts between 20 and 60 fecal coliform colonies per membrane.

When the bacterial density of the sample is unknown, filter several volumes or dilutions to achieve a countable density. Estimate volume and/or dilution expected to yield a countable membrane and select two additional quantities representing one-tenth and ten times this volume, respectively.

- b. Filtration of sample: Follow the same procedure and precautions as prescribed under Section 9222B.5b above.
- c. Preparation of culture dish: Place a sterile absorbent pad in each culture dish and pipet at least 2.0 mL M-FC medium, prepared as directed above, to saturate pad. Carefully remove any excess liquid from culture dish by decanting the plate. Aseptically, place prepared filter on medium-impregnated pad as described in Section 9222B above.

As a substrate substitution for the nutrient-saturated absorbent pad, add 1.5% agar to M-FC broth as described in Section 9222B above.

- d. Incubation: Place prepared dishes in waterproof plastic bags or seal, invert, and submerge petri dishes in water bath, and incubate for  $24 \pm 2 h$  at  $44.5 \pm 0.2 ^{\circ}$ C. Anchor dishes below water surface to maintain critical temperature requirements. Place all prepared cultures in the water bath within 30 min after filtration. Alternatively, use an appropriate, accurate solid heat sink or equivalent incubator.
- e. Counting: Colonies produced by fecal coliform bacteria on NI-FC medium are various shades of blue. Nonfecal coliform colonies are gray to cream-colored. Normally, few nonfecal coliform colonies will be observed on M-FC medium because of selective action of the elevated temperature and addition of rosolic acid salt reagent. Count colonies with a low-power (10 to 15 magnifications) binocular wide-field dissecting microscope or other optical device.
- f. Verification: Verify typical blue colonies and any atypical grey to green colonies as described in Section 9020 for fecal coliform analysis. Simultaneous inoculation at both temperatures is acceptable.

#### 3. Calculation of Fecal Coliform Density

a. General: Compute the density from the sample quantities that produced MF counts within the desired range of 20 to 60 fecal coliform colonies. This colony density range is more restrictive than the 20 to 80 total coliform range because of larger colony size on M-FC medium. Calculate fecal coliform density as directed in Section 9222B.6 above. Record densities as fecal coliforms per 100 mL.

b. Sediment and biosolid samples: For total solid (dry weight basis) see Section 2540G.

Calculate fecal coliforms per gram dry weight for biosolid analysis as follows:

Fecal coliforms per gram dry weight

colonies counted
(dilution chosen) × (% dry solids)

where dilution and % dry solids are expressed in decimal form.

Example 1: There were 22 colonies observed on the 1:10 000 dilution plate of a biosolid with 4% dry solids.

$$\frac{22}{(0.0001)(0.04)}$$
 = 5.5 × 10° fecal colliform/g dry weight

If no filter has a coliform count falling in the ideal range (20

TABLE 9222:III. SUGGESTED SAMPLES VOLUMES FOR MEMBRANE FILTER FECAL COLIFORM TEST

	Volume (X) To Be Filtered mL										
Water Source	100	50	10	i	0.1	0.01	0.001	0.000			
Lakes, reservoirs	Х	Х									
Wells, springs	х	Х									
Water supply intake		Х	Х	Х							
Natural bathing waters		Х	Х	X							
Sewage treatment plant			X	X	Х						
Farm ponds, rivers				X	X	Х					
Stormwater runoff				Х	Х	X					
Raw municipal sewage					Х	x	Х				
Feedlor runoff					Х	X	Х				
Sewage sludge						х	X	Х			

Appendix D – Analysis of BOD Test Procedures

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#### 5210 BIOCHEMICAL OXYGEN DEMAND (BOD)\*

#### 5210 A. Introduction

#### t. General Discussion

The biochemical oxygen demand (BOD) determination is an empirical test in which standardized laboratory procedures are used to determine the relative oxygen requirements of wastewaters, effluents, and polluted waters. The test has its widest application in measuring waste loadings to treatment plants and in evaluating the BOD-removal efficiency of such treatment systems. The test measures the molecular oxygen utilized during a specified incubation period for the biochemical degradation of organic material (carbonaceous demand) and the oxygen used to oxidize inorganic material such as sulfides and ferrous iron. It also may measure the amount of oxygen used to oxidize reduced forms of nitrogen (nitrogenous demand) unless their oxidation is prevented by an inhibitor. The seeding and dilution procedures provide an estimate of the BOD at pH 6.5 to 7.5.

Measurements of oxygen consumed in a 5-d test period (5-d BOD or BOD<sub>5</sub>, 5210B), oxygen consumed after 60 to 90 d of incubation (ultimate BOD or UBOD, 5210C), and continuous oxygen uptake (respirometric method, 5210D) are described here, Many other variations of oxygen demand measurements exist, including using shorter and longer incubation periods and tests to determine rates of oxygen uptake. Alternative seeding, dilution, and incubation conditions can be chosen to mimic receiving-water conditions, thereby providing an estimate of the environmental

effects of wastewaters and effluents.

The UBOD measures the oxygen required for the total degradation of organic material (ultimate carbonaceous demand) and/ or the oxygen to oxidize reduced nitrogen compounds (ultimate nitrogenous demand). UBOD values and appropriate kinetic descriptions are needed in water quality modeling studies such as UBOD: BOD, ratios for relating stream assimilative capacity to regulatory requirements; definition of river, estuary, or lake deoxygenation kinetics; and instream ultimate carbonaceous BOD (UCBOD) values for model calibration.

#### 2. Carbonaceous Versus Nitrogenous BOD

A number of factors, for example, soluble versus particulate organics, settleable and floatable solids, oxidation of reduced iron and sulfur compounds, or lack of mixing may affect the accuracy and precision of BOD measurements. Presently, there is no way to include adjustments or corrections to account for the effect of these factors.

Oxidation of reduced forms of nitrogen, such as ammonia and organic nitrogen, can be mediated by microorganisms and exert nitrogenous demand. Nitrogenous demand historically has been considered an interference in the determination of BOD, as clearly evidenced by the inclusion of ammonia in the dilution water. The interference from nitrogenous demand can now be prevented by an inhibitory chemical. If an inhibiting chemical is not used, the

oxygen demand measured is the sum of carbonaceous and nitrogenous demands.

Measurements that include nitrogenous demand generally are not useful for assessing the oxygen demand associated with organic material. Nitrogenous demand can be estimated directly from ammonia nitrogen (Section 4500-NH<sub>3</sub>); and carbonaceous demand can be estimated by subtracting the theoretical equivalent of the reduced nitrogen exidation from uninhibited test results. However, this method is cumbersome and is subject to considerable error. Chemical inhibition of nitrogenous demand provides a more direct and more reliable measure of carbonaceous demand.

The extent of oxidation of nitrogenous compounds during the 5-d incubation period depends on the concentration and type of microorganisms capable of carrying out this oxidation. Such organisms usually are not present in raw or settled primary sewage in sufficient numbers to oxidize sufficient quantities of reduced nitrogen forms in the 5-d BOD test. Many biological treatment plant effluents contain sufficient numbers of nitrifying organisms to cause nitrification in BOD tests. Because oxidation of nitrogenous compounds can occur in such samples, inhibition of nitrification as directed in 5210B.4e6) is recommended for samples of secondary effluent, for samples seeded with secondary effluent, and for samples of polluted waters.

Report results as carbonaceous biochemical oxygen demand (CBOD<sub>4</sub>) when inhibiting the nitrogenous oxygen demand. When nitrification is not inhibited, report results as BOD<sub>5</sub>.

#### 3. Dilution Requirements

The BOD concentration in most wastewaters exceeds the concentration of dissolved oxygen (DO) available in an air-saturated sample. Therefore, it is necessary to dilute the sample before incubation to bring the oxygen demand and supply into appropriate balance. Because bacterial growth requires nutrients such as nitrogen, phosphorus, and trace metals, these are added to the dilution water, which is buffered to ensure that the pH of the incubated sample remains in a range suitable for bacterial growth. Complete stabilization of a sample may require a period of incubation too long for practical purposes; therefore, 5 d has been accepted as the standard incubation period.

If the dilution water is of poor quality, the BOD of the dilution water will appear as sample BOD. This effect will be amplified by the dilution factor. A positive bias will result. The methods included below (5210B and 5210C) contain both a dilution-water check and a dilution-water blank. Seeded dilution waters are checked further for acceptable quality by measuring their consumption of oxygen from a known organic mixture, usually glucose and glutamic acid.

The source of dilution water is not restricted and may be distilled, tap, or receiving-stream water free of biodegradable organics and bioinhibitory substances such as chlorine or heavy metals. Distilled water may contain ammonia or volatile organics: deionized waters often are contaminated with soluble organics leached from the resin bed. Use of copper-lined stills or copper fittings

<sup>\*</sup> Approved by Standard Methods Committee, 1997.

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attached to distilled water lines may produce water containing excessive amounts of copper (see Section 3500-Cu).

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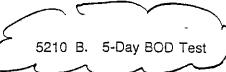
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#### 1. General Discussion

a. Principle: The method consists of filling with sample, to overflowing, an airtight bottle of the specified size and incubating it at the specified temperature for 5 d. Dissolved oxygen is measured initially and after incubation, and the BOD is computed from the difference between initial and final DO. Because the initial DO is determined shortly after the dilution is made, all oxygen uptake occurring after this measurement is included in the BOD measurement.

b. Sampling and storage: Samples for BOD analysis may degrade significantly during storage between collection and analysis, resulting in low BOD values. Minimize reduction of BOD by analyzing sample promptly or by cooling it to near-freezing temperature during storage. However, even at low temperature, keep holding time to a minimum. Warm chilled samples to  $20 \pm 3$ °C before analysis.

1) Grab samples—If analysis is begun within 2 h of collection, cold storage is unnecessary. If analysis is not started within 2 h of sample collection, keep sample at or below 4°C from the time of collection. Begin analysis within 6 h of collection; when this is not possible because the sampling site is distant from the laboratory, store at or below 4°C and report length and temperature of storage with the results. In no case start analysis more than 24 h after grab sample collection. When samples are to be used for regulatory purposes make every effort to deliver samples for analysis within 6 h of collection.

2) Composite samples—Keep samples at or below 4°C during compositing. Limit compositing period to 24 h. Use the same criteria as for storage of grab samples, starting the measurement of holding time from end of compositing period. State storage time and conditions as part of the results.

#### 2. Apparatus

a Incubation bontles: Use glass bottles having 60 mL or greater capacity (300-mL bottles having a ground-glass stopper and a flared mouth are preferred). Clean bottles with a detergent, rinse thoroughly, and drain before use. As a precaution against drawing air into the dilution bottle during incubation, use a water seal. Obtain satisfactory water seals by inverting bottles in a water bath or by adding water to the flared mouth of special BOD bot-

tles. Place a paper or plastic cup or foil cap over flared mouth of bottle to reduce evaporation of the water seal during incubation.

b. Air incubator or water bath, thermostatically controlled at 20 ±1°C. Exclude all light to prevent possibility of photosynthetic production of DO.

#### 3. Reagents

Prepare reagents in advance but discard if there is any sign of precipitation or biological growth in the stock bottles. Commercial equivalents of these reagents are acceptable and different stock concentrations may be used if doses are adjusted proportionally.

a. Phosphate buffer solution: Dissolve 8.5 g KH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>, 21.75 g K<sub>2</sub>HPO<sub>4</sub>, 33.4 g Na<sub>2</sub>HPO<sub>4</sub>·7H<sub>2</sub>O, and 1.7 g NH<sub>4</sub>Cl in about 500 mL distilled water and dilute to 1 L. The pH should be 7.2 without further adjustment. Alternatively, dissolve 42.5 g KH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> or 54.3 g K<sub>2</sub>HPO<sub>4</sub> in about 700 mL distilled water. Adjust pH to 7.2 with 30% NaOH and dilute to 1 L.

b. Magnesium sulfate solution: Dissolve 22.5 g MgSO<sub>4</sub>·7H<sub>2</sub>O in distilled water and dilute to 1 L.

c. Calcium chloride solution: Dissolve 27.5 g CaCl<sub>2</sub> in distilled water and dilute to 1 L.

d. Ferric chloride solution: Dissolve 0.25 g FeCl<sub>3</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O in distilled water and dilute to 1 L.

e. Acid and alkali solutions, 1N, for neutralization of caustic or acidic waste samples.

1) Acid—Slowly and while stirring, add 28 mL cone sulfuric acid to distilled water. Dilute to 1 L.

Alkali—Dissolve 40 g sodium hydroxide in distilled water.
 Dilute to 1 L.

f. Sodium sulfite solution: Dissolve 1.575 g Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub> in 1000 mL distilled water. This solution is not stable; prepare daily.

g. Nitrification inhibitor, 2-chloro-6-(trichloromethyl) pyridine.\*

h. Glucose-glutamic acid solution: Dry reagent-grade glucose and reagent-grade glutamic acid at 103°C for I h. Add 150 mg glucose and 150 mg glutamic acid to distilled water and dilute to I L. Prepare fresh immediately before use.

<sup>\*</sup> Nitrification Inhibitor, Formula 2533, Hach Co., Loveland, CO, or equivalent

i. Ammonium chloride solution: Dissolve 1.15 g NH<sub>4</sub>Cl in about 500 mL distilled water, adjust pH to 7.2 with NaOH solution, and dilute to 1 L. Solution contains 0.3 mg N/mL.

j. Dilution water: Use demineralized, distilled, tap, or natural water for making sample dilutions.

#### 4. Procedure

a. Preparation of dilution water: Place desired volume of water (¶ 3j) in a suitable bottle and add l mL each of phosphate buffer, MgSO<sub>4</sub>, CaCl<sub>2</sub>, and FeCl<sub>3</sub> solutions/L of water. Seed dilution water, if desired, as described in ¶ 4d. Test dilution water as described in ¶ 4h so that water of assured quality always is on hand.

Before use bring dilution water temperature to  $20 \pm 3^{\circ}$ C. Saturate with DO by shaking in a partially filled bottle or by aerating with organic-free filtered air. Alternatively, store in cotton-plugged bottles long enough for water to become saturated with DO. Protect water quality by using clean glassware, tubing, and bottles.

- b. Dilution water storage: Source water (¶ 3f) may be stored before use as long as the prepared dilution water meets quality control criteria in the dilution water blank (¶ 4h). Such storage may improve the quality of some source waters but may allow biological growth to cause deterioration in others. Preferably do not store prepared dilution water for more than 24 h after adding nutrients, minerals, and buffer unless dilution water blanks consistently meet quality control limits. Discard stored source water if dilution water blank shows more than 0.2 mg/L DO depletion in 5 d.
- c. Glucose-giutamic acid check: Because the BOD test is a bioassay its results can be influenced greatly by the presence of toxicants or by use of a poor seeding material. Distilled waters frequently are contaminated with copper; some sewage seeds are relatively inactive. Low results always are obtained with such seeds and waters. Periodically check dilution water quality, seed effectiveness, and analytical technique by making BOD measurements on a mixture of 150 mg glucose/L and 150 mg glutamic acid/L as a "standard" check solution. Glucose has an exceptionally high and variable oxidation rate but when it is used with glutamic acid, the oxidation rate is stabilized and is similar to that obtained with many municipal wastes. Alternatively, if a particular wastewater contains an identifiable major constituent that contributes to the BOD, use this compound in place of the glucose-glutamic acid.

Determine the 5-d 20°C BOD of a 2% dilution of the glucose-glutamic acid standard check solution using the techniques outlined in ¶s 4d-j. Adjust concentrations of commercial mixtures to give 3 mg/L glucose and 3 mg/L glutamic acid in each GGA test bottle. Evaluate data as described in ¶6, Precision and Bias.

#### d Seeding:

1) Seed source—It is necessary to have present a population of microorganisms capable of oxidizing the biodegradable organic matter in the sample. Domestic wastewater, unchlorinated or otherwise-undisinfected effluents from biological waste treatment plants, and surface waters receiving wastewater discharges contain satisfactory microbial populations. Some samples do not contain a sufficient microbial population (for example, some untreated industrial wastes, disinfected wastes, high-temperature wastes, or wastes with extreme pH values). For such wastes seed the dilution water or sample by adding a population of microor-

ganisms. The preferred seed is effluent or mixed liquor from a biological treatment system processing the waste. Where such seed is not available, use supernatant from domestic wastewater after settling at room temperature for at least 1 h but no longer than 36 h. When effluent or mixed liquor from a biological treatment process is used, inhibition of nitrification is recommended.

Some samples may contain materials not degraded at normal rates by the microorganisms in settled domestic wastewater. Seed such samples with an adapted microbial population obtained from the undisinfected effluent or mixed liquor of a biological process treating the waste. In the absence of such a facility, obtain seed from the receiving water below (preferably 3 to 8 km) the point of discharge. When such seed sources also are not available, develop an adapted seed in the laboratory by continuously aerating a sample of settled domestic wastewater and adding small daily increments of waste. Optionally use a soil suspension or activated sludge, or a commercial seed preparation to obtain the initial microbial population. Determine the existence of a satisfactory population by testing the performance of the seed in BOD tests on the sample. BOD values that increase with time of adaptation to a steady high value indicate successful seed adaptation.

2) Seed control-Determine BOD of the seeding material as for any other sample. This is the seed control. From the value of the seed control and a knowledge of the seeding material dilution (in the dilution water) determine seed DO uptake. Ideally, make dilutions of seed such that the largest quantity results in at least: 50% DO depletion. A plot of DO depletion, in milligrams per liter, versus milliters of seed for all bottles having a 2-mg/L depletion and a 1.0-mg/L minimum residual DO should present a straight line for which the slope indicates DO depletion per milliliter of seed. The DO-axis intercept is oxygen depletion caused by the dilution water and should be less than 0.1 mg/L ( $\P 4h$ ). Alternatively, divide DO depletion by volume of seed in milliliters for each seed control bottle having a 2-mg/L depletion and a 1.0-mg/L residual DO. Average the results for all bottles meeting minimum depletion and residual DO criteria. The DO uptake attributable to the seed added to each bottle should be between 0.6 and 1.0 mg/L, but the amount of seed added should be adjusted from this range to that required to provide glucose-glutamic acid check results in the range of 198 ± 30.5 mg/L. To determine DO uptake for a test borde, subtract DO uptake attributable to the seed from total DO uptake (see § 5).

Techniques for adding seeding material to dilution water are described for two sample dilution methods (1 4f).

- e. Sample pretreatment: Check pH of all samples before testing unless previous experience indicates that pH is within the acceptable range.
- 1) Samples containing caustic alkalinity (pH >8.5) or acidity (pH <6.0)—Neutralize samples to pH 6.5 to 7.5 with a solution of sulfuric acid ( $\rm H_2SO_4$ ) or sodium hydroxide (NaOH) of such strength that the quantity of reagent does not dilute the sample by more than 0.5%. The pH of dilution water should not be affected by the lowest sample dilution. Always seed samples that have been pH-adjusted.
- 2) Samples containing residual chlorine compounds—If possible, avoid samples containing residual chlorine by sampling ahead of chlorination processes. If the sample has been chlorinated but no detectable chlorine residual is present, seed the dilution water. If residual chlorine is present, dechlorinate sample and seed the dilution water (¶ 4f). Do not test chlorinated/dechlorinated samples without seeding the dilution water. In some

samples chlorine will dissipate within 1 to 2 h of standing in the light. This often occurs during sample transport and handling. For samples in which chlorine residual does not dissipate in a reasonably short time, destroy chlorine residual by adding Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub> solution. Determine required volume of Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub> solution on a 100-to 1000-mL portion of neutralized sample by adding 10 mL of 1 + 1 acetic acid or 1 + 50 H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, 10 mL potassium iodide (KI) solution (10 g/100 mL) per 1000 mL portion, and titrating with Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub> solution to the starch-iodine end point for residual. Add to neutralized sample the relative volume of Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub> solution determined by the above test, mix, and after 10 to 20 min check sample for residual chlorine. (Note: Excess Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub> exerts an oxygen demand and reacts slowly with certain organic chloramine compounds that may be present in chlorinated samples.)

3) Samples containing other toxic substances—Certain industrial wastes, for example, plating wastes, contain toxic metals. Such samples often require special study and treatment.

4) Samples supersaturated with DO—Samples containing more than 9 mg DO/ L at 20°C may be encountered in cold waters or in water where photosynthesis occurs. To prevent loss of oxygen during incubation of such samples, reduce DO to saturation at 20°C by bringing sample to about 20°C in partially filled bottle while agitating by vigorous shaking or by aerating with clean, filtered compressed air.

5) Sample temperature adjustment—Bring samples to 20 ± 1°C before making dilutions.

6) Nitrification inhibition—If nitrification inhibition is desired add 3 mg 2-chloro-6-(trichloro methyl) pyridine (TCMP) to each 300-mL bottle before capping or add sufficient amounts to the dilution water to make a final concentration of 10 mg/L. (Note: Pure TCMP may dissolve slowly and can float on top of the sample. Some commercial formulations dissolve more readily but are not 100% TCMP; adjust dosage accordingly.) Samples that may require nitrification inhibition include, but are not limited to, biologically treated effluents, samples seeded with biologically treated effluents, and river waters. Note the use of nitrogen in-

hibition in reporting results.

f. Dilution technique: Make several dilutions of sample that will result in a residual DO of at least 1 mg/L and a DO uptake of at least 2 mg/L after a 5-d incubation. Five dilutions are recommended unless experience with a particular sample shows that use of a smaller number of dilutions produces at least two bottles giving acceptable minimum DO depletion and residual limits. A more rapid analysis, such as COD, may be correlated approximately with BOD and serve as a guide in selecting dilutions. In the absence of prior knowledge, use the following dilutions: 0.0 to 1.0% for strong industrial wastes, 1 to 5% for raw and settled wastewater, 5 to 25% for biologically treated effluent, and 25 to 100% for polluted river waters.

Prepare dilutions either in graduated cylinders or volumetric glassware, and then transfer to BOD bottles or prepare directly in BOD bottles. Either dilution method can be combined with any DO measurement technique. The number of bottles to be prepared for each dilution depends on the DO technique and the number of replicates desired.

When using graduated cylinders or volumetric flasks to prepare dilutions, and when seeding is necessary, add seed either directly to dilution water or to individual cylinders or flasks before dilution. Seeding of individual cylinders or flasks avoids a declining ratio of seed to sample as increasing dilutions are made. When dilutions are prepared directly in BOD bottles and when seeding

is necessary, add seed directly to dilution water or directly to the BOD bottles. When a bottle contains more than 67% of the sample after dilution, nutrients may be limited in the diluted sample and subsequently reduce biological activity. In such samples, add the nutrient, mineral, and buffer solutions (¶ 3a through e) directly to individual BOD bottles at a rate of 1 mL/L (0.33 mL/300-mL bottle) or use commercially prepared solutions designed to dose the appropriate bottle size.

1) Dilutions prepared in graduated cylinders or volumetric flasks—If the azide modification of the titrimetric iodometric method (Section 4500-O.C) is used, carefully siphon dilution water, seeded if necessary, into a I- to 2-L-capacity flask or cylinder. Fill half full without entraining air. Add desired quantity of carefully mixed sample and dilute to appropriate level with dilution water. Mix well with a plunger-type mixing rod; avoid entraining air. Siphon mixed dilution into two BOD bottles. Determine initial DO on one of these bottles. Stopper the second bottle tightly, water-seal, and incubate for 5 d at 20°C. If the membrane electrode method is used for DO measurement, siphon dilution mixture into one BOD bottle. Determine initial DO on this bottle and replace any displaced contents with sample dilution to fill the bottle. Stopper tightly, water-seal, and incubate for 5 d at 20°C.

2) Dilutions prepared directly in BOD bottles-Using a widetip volumetric pipet, add the desired sample volume to individual BOD bottles of known capacity. Add appropriate amounts of seed material either to the individual BOD bottles or to the dilution water. Fill bottles with enough dilution water, seeded if necessary, so that insertion of stopper will displace all air, leaving no bubbles. For dilutions greater than 1:100 make a primary dilution in a graduated cylinder before making final dilution in the bottle. When using titrimetric iodometric methods for DO measurement, prepare two bottles at each dilution. Determine initial DO on one bottle. Stopper second bottle tightly, water-seal, and incubate for 5 d at 20°C. If the membrane electrode method is used for DO measurement, prepare only one BOD bottle for each dilution. Determine initial DO on this bottle and replace any displaced contents with dilution water to fill the bottle. Stopper tightly, waterseal, and incubate for 5 d at 20°C. Rinse DO electrode between determinations to prevent cross-contamination of samples.

Use the azide modification of the iodometric method (Section 4500-O.C) or the membrane electrode method (Section 4500-O.G) to determine initial DO on all sample dilutions, dilution water blanks, and where appropriate, seed controls.

If the membrane electrode method is used, the azide modification of the iodometric method (Method 4500-O.C) is recommended for calibrating the DO probe.

g. Determination of initial DO: If the sample contains materials that react rapidly with DO, determine initial DO immediately after filling BOD bottle with diluted sample. If rapid initial DO uptake is insignificant, the time period between preparing dilution and measuring initial DO is not critical but should not exceed 30 min.

h. Dilution water blank: Use a dilution water blank as a rough check on quality of unseeded dilution water and cleanliness of incubation bottles. Together with each batch of samples incubate a bottle of unseeded dilution water. Determine initial and final DO as in \$s 4g and j. The DO uptake should not be more than 0.2 mg/L and preferably not more than 0.1 mg/L Discard all dilution water having a DO uptake greater than 0.2 mg/L and either

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eliminate source of contamination or select an alternate dilution water source.

L. Incubation: Incubate at 20°C ± 1°C BOD bottles containing desired dilutions, seed controls, dilution water blanks, and glucose-glutamic acid checks. Water-seal bottles as described in ¶ 4f.

j. Determination of final DO: After 5 d incubation determine – DO in sample dilutions, blanks, and checks as in ¶ 4g.

#### 5. Calculation

For each test bottle meeting the 2.0-mg/L minimum DO depletion and the 1.0-mg/L residual DO, calculate BOD<sub>5</sub> as follows: When dilution water is not seeded:

$$BOD_{s_1} mg/L = \frac{D_1 - D_2}{P}$$

When dilution water is seeded:

BOD<sub>3</sub>, mg/L = 
$$\frac{(D_1 - D_2) - (B_1 - B_2)f}{P}$$

where:

 $D_1$  = DO of diluted sample immediately after preparation, mg/L.  $D_2$  = DO of diluted sample after 5 d incubation at 20°C, mg/L,

P = decimal volumetric fraction of sample used,

 $B_1 = DO$  of seed control before incubation, mg/L (¶ 4d),

 $B_2 = DO$  of seed control after incubation mg/L (1 4d), and

f = ratio of seed in diluted sample to seed in seed control = (% seed in diluted sample)/(% seed in seed control).

If seed material is added directly to sample or to seed control bottles:

f = (volume of seed in diluted sample)/(volume of seed in seed control)

Report results as CBOD<sub>5</sub> if nitrification is inhibited.

If more than one sample dilution meets the criteria of a residual DO of at least 1 mg/L and a DO depletion of at least 2 mg/L and there is no evidence of toxicity at higher sample concentrations or the existence of an obvious anomaly, average results in the accentable mass.

In these calculations, do not make corrections for DO uptake by the dilution water blank during incubation. This correction is unnecessary if dilution water meets the blank criteria stipulated above. If the dilution water does not meet these criteria, proper corrections are difficult; do not record results or, as a minimum, mark them as not meeting quality control criteria.

#### 6. Precision and Bias

There is no measurement for establishing bias of the BOD procedure. The glucose-glutamic acid check prescribed in ¶ 4c is intended to be a reference point for evaluation of dilution water quality, seed effectiveness, and analytical technique. Single-laboratory tests using a 300-mg/L mixed glucose-glutamic acid so-

lution provided the following results:

Number of months: 14 Number of triplicates: 421 Average monthly recovery: 204 mg/L Average monthly standard deviation: 10.4 mg/L

In a series of interlaboratory studies. each involving 2 to 112 laboratories (and as many analysts and seed sources), 5-d BOD measurements were made on synthetic water samples containing a 1:1 mixture of glucose and glutamic acid in the total concentration range of 3.3 to 231 mg/L. The regression equations for mean value, X, and standard deviation, S, from these studies were:

 $\overline{X}$  = 0.658 (added level, mg/L) + 0.280 mg/L S = 0.100 (added level, mg/L) + 0.547 mg/L

For the 300-mg/L mixed primary standard, the average 5-d BOD would be 198 mg/L with a standard deviation of 30.5 mg/L. When nutrincation inhibitors are used, GGA test results falling outside the 198 ± 30.5 control limit quite often indicate use of incorrect amounts of seed. Adjust amount of seed added to the GGA test to achieve results falling within this range.

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a. Control limits. Because of many factors affecting BOD tests in multilaboratory studies and the resulting extreme variability in test results, one standard deviation, as determined by interlaboratory tests, is recommended as a control limit for individual laboratories. Alternatively, for each laboratory, establish its control limits by performing a minimum of 25 giucose-glutamic acid checks (¶4c) over a period of several weeks or months and calculating the mean and standard deviation. Use the mean ±3 standard deviations as the control limit for future glucose-glutamic acid checks. Compare calculated control limits to the single-laboratory tests presented above and to interlaboratory results. If control limits are outside the range of 198 ± 30.5, re-evaluate the control limits are outside the range of the problem. If measured BOD for a glucose-glutamic acid check is outside the accepted control limit range, reject tests made with that seed and dilution water.

seed and dilution water.

D. Working range and detection limit: The working range is equal to the difference between the maximum initial DO (7 to 9 mg/L) and minimum DO residual of 1 mg/L multiplied by the dilution factor. A lower detection limit of 2 mg/L is established by the requirement for a minimum DO depletion of 2 mg/L.

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danger provision, be subject to a fine of not more than \$1,000,000 and can be fined up to \$2,000,000 for second or subsequent convictions.

(3) Any person may be assessed an administrative penalty by the Administrator for violating section 301, 302, 306, 307, 303, 318 or 405 of this Act, or any permit condition or limitation implementing any of such sections in a permit issued under section 402 of this Act. Administrative penalties for Class I violations are not to exceed \$10,000 per violation, with the maximum amount of any Class I penalty assessed not to exceed \$25,000. Penalties for Class II violations are not to exceed \$10,000 per day for each day during which the violation continues, with the maximum amount of any Class II penalty not to exceed \$125,000.

(b) Duty to reapply. If the permittee wishes to continue an activity regulated by this permit after the expiration date of this permit, the permittee must apply for and obtain a new permit.

(c) Need to halt or reduce activity not a defense. It shall not be a defense for a permittee in an enforcement action that it would have been necessary to halt or reduce the permitted activity in order to maintain compliance with the conditions of this permit.

(d) Duty to mitigate. The permittee shall take all reasonable steps to minimize or prevent any discharge or sludge use or disposal in violation of this permit which has a reasonable likelihood of adversely affecting

human health or the environment. (e) Proper operation and maintenance. The permittee shall at all times properly operate and maintain all facilities and systems of treatment and control (and related appurtenances) which are installed or used by the permittee to achieve compliance with the conditions of this permit. Proper operation and maintenance also includes adequate laboratory controls and appropriate quality assurance procedures. This provision requires the operation of backup or auxiliary facilities or similar systems which are installed by a permittee only when the operation is necessary to achieve compliance with the conditions of the permit.

(f) Permit actions. This permit may be modified, revoked and reissued, or terminated for cause. The filing of a request by the permittee for a permit modification, revocation and reissuance, or termination, or a notification of planned changes or anticipated noncompliance does not stay any permit condition.

(g) Property rights. This permit does not convey any property rights of any sort, or any exclusive privilege.

(h) Duty to provide information. The permittee shall furnish to the Director, within a reasonable time, any information which the Director may request to determine whether cause exists for modifying, revoking and reissuing, or terminating this permit or to determine compliance with this permit. The permittee shall also furnish to the Director upon request, copies of records required to be kept by this permit.

(i) Inspection and entry. The permittee shall allow the Director, or an authorized representative (including an authorized contractor acting as a representative of the Administrator), upon presentation of credentials and other documents as may be required by law.

(1) Enter upon the permittee's premises where a regulated facility or activity is located or conducted, or where records must be kept under the conditions of this permit;

(2) Have access to and copy, at reasonable times, any records that must be kept under the conditions of this

(3) Inspect at reasonable times any facilities, equipment (including monitoring and control equipment), practices, or operations regulated or required under this permit; and

(4) Sample or monitor at reasonable times, for the purposes of assuring permit compliance or as otherwise authorized by the Clean Water Act, any substances or parameters at any location.

(j) Monitoring and records. (l) Samples' and measurements taken for the purpose of monitoring shall be representative of the monitored activity.

(2) Except for records of monitoring information required by this permit related to the permittee's sewage sludge use and disposal activities, which shall be retained for a period of at least five

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years (or longer as required by 40 CFR part 503), the permittee shall retain records of all monitoring information, including all calibration and maintenance records and all original strip chart recordings for continuous monitoring instrumentation, copies of all reports required by this permit, and records of all data used to complete the application for this permit, for a period of at least 3 years from the date of the sample, measurement, report or application. This period may be extended by request of the Director at any time.

(3) Records of monitoring information shall include:

(i) The date, exact place, and time of sampling or measurements;

(ii) The individual(s) who performed the sampling or measurements;

(iii) The date(s) analyses were per-

formed; (iv) The individual(s) who performed

the analyses; (v) The analytical techniques or

methods used; and (vi) The results of such analyses.

(4) Monitoring results must be conducted according to test procedures approved under 40 CFR part 136 or, in the case of sludge use or disposal, approved under 40 CFR part 136 unless otherwise

specified in 40 CFR part 503, unless other test procedures have been speci-

fied in the permit.

(5) The Clean Water Act provides that any person who falsifies, tampers with, or knowingly renders inaccurate any monitoring device or method required to be maintained under this permit shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than \$10,000, or by imprisonment for not more than 25 years, or both. If a conviction of a person is for a violation committed after a first conviction of such person under this paragraph, punishment is a fine of not more than \$20,000 per day of violation, or by imprisonment of not more than 4 years, or both.

(k) Signatory requirement. (1) All applications, reports, or information submitted to the Director shall be signed

and certified. (See § 122.22)

(2) The CWA provides that any person who knowingly makes any false statement, representation, or certification in any record or other document sub- (sults shall be reported at the intervals mitted or required to be maintained

under this permit, including monitoring reports or reports of compliance or non-compliance shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than \$10,000 per violation, or by imprisonment for not more than 6 months per violation, or by both.

(I) Reporting requirements. (1) Planned changes. The permittee shall give notice to the Director as soon as possible of any planned physical alterations or additions to the permitted facility. No-

tice is required only when:

(i) The alteration or addition to a permitted facility may meet one of the criteria for determining whether a facility is a new source in § 122.29(b); or

(ii) The alteration or addition could significantly change the nature or increase the quantity of pollutants discharged. This notification applies to pollutants which are subject neither to effluent limitations in the permit, nor to notification requirements under § 122.42(a)(1).

(iii) The alteration or addition results in a significant change in the permittee's sludge use or disposal practices, and such alteration, addition, or change may justify the application of permit conditions that are different from or absent in the existing permit. including notification of additional use or disposal sites not reported during the permit application process or not reported pursuant to an approved land application plan;

(2) Anticipated noncompliance. The permittee shall give advance notice to the Director of any planned changes in the permitted facility or activity which may result in noncompliance

with permit requirements.

(3) Transfers. This permit is not transferable to any person except after notice to the Director. The Director may require modification or revocation and reissuance of the permit to change the name of the permittee and incorporate such other requirements as may be necessary under the Clean Water Act. (See §122.61; in some cases, modification or revocation and reissuance is mandatory.)

(4) Monitoring reports. Monitoring respecified elsewhere in this permit.

#### CITY OF SCAPPOOSE

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BOD BENCH SHEET

START

12-17-98

STOP DATE:

12-22-98

TIME:

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TIME: Taken off By:

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DEPL. My/L

0.32×100=32

0.91×50=45.5

Au6=38.8

0.37×5=1.9

0.48×3.75=1.8

AVG = 1.9

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	BOTTLE NO.	SAMPLE VOLUME ML	DILLUTION RATIO (a)	INITIAL DO	FINAL DO	DO DEPLETION	BOD (b)	AVERAGE BOD
Influent								
Dillution No 1	1.24	<u>3</u>	101	8.62	8.3	£ (0)=	<b>&gt;</b>	· <u>-</u> . · <u>-</u> '
Dillution No. 2 Final Effluent	46	6	50.5	8.61	7.7		-	
Final Effluent				075	6/	_		
Dillution Ho. 1	13	60	5.05	8.67	8,3	2.0		
Dillution No. 2	17	80	3.7875	8.68	8-2		\	
Dillution No 3				***************************************				
Dillution No. 1								
Diffution No. 2 Stlenfids								
Dillution No. 1	NO	0.1	3030					
Olllution No. 2	SAMPLE	0.2	1515					
Digester Supernatant								
Dillution No. 1			, <b></b>					,
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Notes: (a) Dillution Ratio =

303 Sample Vol. ml ⇒ 300 mL

(b) BOD =

Dillution Ratio x DO Depletion

Location: Co	lumbia Ave. WWTP	Reported by: 5M5/
time start:	<del></del>	time end:
Base Data		Secondary System
sampling	1 <u>z-17-98</u> date	# of Clarif on line
inf. flow	m.g.d.	sec. clarif. b.o.dmg/l
eff. flow	m.g.d.	sec. clarif.t.smg/l
inf. p.h.	unit's	sludge blanketinches
inf. b.o.d.	mg/l	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
inf. t.s.s.	mg/l	
inf. v.s.s.	mg/l	
inf. temp	deg. c.	Solid's Handling
eff. p.h.	unit's	actual wastingm.g.d.
eff. d.o.	mg/l	# of p.s.d.ton line
eff. b.o.d.	mg/l	p.s.d.t. tempdeg. c.
eff. t.s.s.	mg/l	p.s.d.t. p.hunit's
eff. fecal	#/100ml.	p.s.d.t. t.s.s%
eff. turbidity	ntu's	p.s.d.t. v.s.s%
	•	supernatem.g.d.
Aeration Syst	em	wasting 3 <u>28183</u> 36
# of bay's		32803954
r.a.s. conc.		<del></del>
r.a.s. v.s.s.		digester d.o.
r.a.s. flow		bank <u>1</u>
m.l.s.s.		intensity $\frac{7.3}{}$
m.l.v.s.s.		hour 47367
m.l.s.s. sett.	<u>430                                    </u>	bank $\underline{2}$
basin temp.		intensity 3.3
basin d.o.		hour 46964
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r.a.s. d.o.		stein. v.s.s.

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### CITY OF SCAPPOOSE WAS: VATER FACILITY

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START 12-9-98 TIME:	······································		BOD BEN	CH SHEET		STOP DATE:	12-14-98	? 			(
Set Up By:						Taken off By:					
									JRS	NOTES	
	BOTTLE NO.	SAMPLE VOLUME ML	DILLUTION RATIO (a)	INITIAL DO	FINAL DO	DO DEPLETION	BOD (b)	AVERAGE BOD	Do	300	
Influent				::\hat{\pi}			λ		DEPL	MYIL	ıa
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Dillution No 2	31	80	3.7875	8.25	7.85	5.0 -			0.4 A	× 3.75=	<u>1.3</u>
Dillution No. 3											. ,
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Dillution No 2 Stientids											AUU O
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Olluston No 3 Digester Supernatant	H8	0.2	1515	8,50	2 : (e!	485	1		5.89 x	16 9	637
Dillution No. 1					·						
Dillution No. 3 Blank											
Blank No. 1	28			8.55	8.53		<u> </u>		OK	∠0,2 <u>{</u>	<u>mg</u>
Blank No 2											4
	Notes: (a) Di	llution Ratio =	303 Sample Vol. ml	$\Rightarrow$	SNOUL	D BE	300 1	nL			

(b) BOD ≃

Dillution Ratio x DO Depletion

#### Wastwater Treatnemt Plant Laboratory Analysis

17117	198		Duty Op	5mg/
	INFLUENT	EFFLUENT	WAS SEITING	TIME
FINAL	20701861	5349367.1	Min. ON 3	
INITIAL	19903283	53033348	Min. OFF 57	<u> </u>
TOTAL MGD	.799	4100		
-		AERATION B	asin miss	
	TOTAL	VOLATILE	TOTAL	VOLATILE
VOL.				
SETT.	430			į
DRY WT.	45030	45030	45,640	! !
TARE WT.	41500	42400	: 41610	
MLSS	3530	2630	4030	
	·	SUSPENDE	o sorms	
		FLUENT	EFFLUE	NT VOLATULE
	TOTAL	VOLATILE	TOTAL	VOLATILE
VOL.	<u></u>			<u> </u>
DRY WT.	42080	42080	1 41570	
TARE WT.	4/670	41680	1 4/560	
SUSPENDED	82	80	10.0	
		SUSPENDEL	SOLDS	
:	STIENFELD TOTAL	VOLATILE	TOTAL	VOLATILE
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VOL			<u> </u>	
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tare wt.	41930-			
SUSPENDED		<u> </u>		
	DRYING OVEN	FECAL/BATH	BOD INCU.	OTHER
	TEMP.	TEMP.	TEMP	
-	METTLER BAL.	INF.	EFF.	OTHER
ī	TEMP.	TEMP.	TEMP.	
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#### Wastwater Treatnemt Plant Laboratory Analysis

te: 12 / 9	198"		Duty Op	). <u>SMS</u>
	INFLUENT	effluent	W A S SETTING	TIME
FINAL .	13079693	148780986	Min. ON	
INITIAL	12300754	48337568	Min. OFF 59	
TOTAL MGD	,779	,443		
		AERATION BA	ASIN MLSS PAS &	PS
JRS_	TOTAL	<u>VOLATILE</u> .	TOTAL	VOLATILE
VOL.	Clomb.		(lome)	,
SETT.	260	4		<del>1</del>
DRY WT.	+4180 ×10-5	9 44180	45940	1
TARE WT.	4147-90	42230	41350	:
MLSS (	0.0 Z710 g =	; ,	+590	
	77	= 27/0mg/ SUSPENDED		
•		7 C.	LEFFLUE	NT
	JRS_TOTAL	YOLATILE	TOTAL JRS	
VOL.	(50 ML)	:	(100 mL)	
DRY WT.	42040	1,42060	41920 X10-59	!
TARE WT.	41580	! 41400	41850	
SUSPENDED	~96~~		70	~~~
(	(0,0048 g = 4.8	mg X.20= SUSPENDED	SOLDS \0.0007g = 0	.7 mg x 10=7 mg
,	STUEMPEDO	(mg/V)	EFR. OF	
: !	TOTAL	VOLATILE	TOTAL	<u>VOLATILE</u>
VOL.		<u> </u>		
VOL. DRY WT.	43630			
-	43630 41440			***
DRY WT.	41440			
DRY WT.	HIHHO 438 DRYING OVEN	FECAL/BATH	BOD INCU.	OTHER
DRY WT.	438 438	FECAL/BATH TEMP.	BOD INCU.	
DRY WT.	HIHHO  438  DRYING OVEN  TEMP.  METTLER BAL.	TEMP.	TEMP.	
DRY WT.	HIHHO H38 DRYING OVEN TEMP.	INF. TEMP.	EFF. TEMP.	
DRY WT.  TARE WT.  SUSPENDED	HIHHO  438  DRYING OVEN  TEMP.  METTLER BAL.	TEMP.	TEMP.	
DRY WT.	HIHHO  438  DRYING OVEN  TEMP.  METTLER BAL.	INF. TEMP.	EFF. TEMP.	

Location: Columb	ia Ave. WWTP	Reported by	: Sms/
time start:		time end:	
Base Data		<u>Secondary S</u>	vstem
sampling 12-9	-94 date	# of Clarif	Z on line
inf. flow	m.g.d.	sec. clarif. b	.o.dmg/l
eff. flow	m,g.d.	sec. clarif.t.s	mg/l
inf. p.h.	unit's	sludge blank	et 15/24 inches
inf. b.o.d. <u>-</u>	mg/l	-	,
inf. t.s.s.	mg/l		
inf. v.s.s.	mg/l		
inf. temp	deg. c.	<u>Solid</u>	<u>'s Handling</u>
eff. p.h	unit's	actual wastin	gm.g.d.
eff. d.o	mg/l	# of p.s.d.t.	on line
eff. b.o.d.	mg/l	p.s.d.t. temp.	deg. c.
eff. t.s.s.	mg/1	p.s.d.t. p.h.	unit's
eff. fecal	#/100ml.	p.s.d.t. t.s.s.	%
eff. turbidity	ntu's	p.s.d.t. v.s.s.	%
		supernate	m.g.d.
Aeration System		wasting	32766223
# of bay's	<del></del>		32762364
r.a.s. conc.	<del>-</del>		38 <u>59</u>
r.a.s. v.s.s.	<del></del>	digester d.o.	<del></del>
	<del></del>	bank	1
m.l.s.s.	- Mary -	intensity	6.7
m.l.v.s.s.		hour	47175
m.l.s.s. sett.		bank	2
basin temp.		intensity	3.2
	<del></del>	hour	46672 -
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r.a.s. d.o.		stein. v.s.s.	

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#### CITY OF SCAPPOOSE WASTEWATER FACILITY

lwgzy **BOD BENCH SHEET** 9-29-99 START 9-24-99 DATE STOP DATE: INCORRECT PROCEDURE 9:00 Am 9:15 Am TIME: TIME: Dws Dws Set Up By Taken off By: NEED GLUTAMIC ACID CHECK BOTTLE SAMPLE DILLUTION BOD (b) AVERAGE INITIAL DO NO. VOLUME RATIO (a) DEPLETION no Final Effluent ML 5.2+14=6.6= Dillukon Na 1 6.4 Aug- 723 14 7.8 4.7+1.4= 6.4= 3 75 Dillation No. 2 80 18 100 3 Diliution No. 3 nfluent 6.0= 240 21 HUG-Diffulion No 1 8.4 25 50 Dillution No. 2 8,3 30 Dilubon No. 3 10 Seed SEED CONTROL 2 mL 45. 8.5 SHOULD BE 0.6 TO IMPLE DILUTIONS 1.4 . 2 150 Dillukoo No. 1 Difference No. 2 Stienflds 5.5 8.5 9000 51 0,1 3000 Diffution No. 1 8.6 2.6 9000 70 1500 Dillution No. 3 02 Digester Supernatant Dillution No. 1 Dillution No. 3 Blank 10,2 OK 8.5 8.6 ١. ن -4.1 Blank No. 1 BUT SHOULD NOT BE NEGATIVE Blank No. 2 8.5-8.6= -0.1 FELAL> coluntes ml Notes (a) Dillution Ratio = 300 Sample Vol. ml 10 25 (b) BOD = Dillution Ratio x DO Depletion 50 Aug 24/100ml 100 200 C \123R3\PW\f\ORMS\WW\BOD 52 300 64

WQ-COLUMBIA G CITY OF SCAPPOOSE

October 18EP99F ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

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To: Jim Sheets

Environmental Specialist

Oregon D.E.Q.

NOV 0 1 1999

RE: Site inspection of Wastewater plant City of Scappoose.

NORTHWEST REGION

Your site inspection of September 17, 1999 at the City's wastewater plant noted areas of concern. The operations staff are now making efforts to comply with all conditions of the Wastewater permit. A summary of the actions taken to resolve these issues are as follows.

- 1. Effluent Flow Meter Calibration: The effluent flow meter has now been calibrated and the totalizator checked. The calibration was done by measuring the distance from the bottom of the V to the top of the channel, this was done while the channel was empty. The level of water in the channel from the top was measured and subtracted from the total distance. This measurement gave the exact amount of water in the channel in inches. The measurement was then converted from inches to feet, the meter was calibrated. See attached pages for calculations. The totalizator on the meter was calibrated next. This calibration was done by emptying the effluent pump wet well then measuring the volume of the tank in gallons which was 17,952 gal. and the effluent totalizer reading 17,593 gals.
- 2. B.O.D. Testing: Larger sample sizes along with seed controls will help to insure the proper oxygen depletion in B.O.D. test. See attached B.O.D. lab work sheet. Also the lab will start doing the Glucose-glutamic acid check on a routine bases.
- 3. Fecal Coliform Testing: Larger sample sizes are now being used to insure the proper colony count, also for colony averaging the colony count multiplied by 100 then divided by the sample volume is being used.

The treatment plant now has a current copy of Standard Methods for reference. The treatment lab personal are scheduled to attend additional lab training at Linn Benton Community College in December.

We hope these changes will help to ensure that non-compliance violation will not occur. It is the goal of the treatment plant staff to meet all permit requirements.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (503) 543-7183

Regards,

. Steve Wabschall

Wastewater Plant Supervisor

#### Memorandum

## State of Oregon Department of Environmental Quality

Date:

September 22, 1999

To:

File

From:

Jim Sheetz, Sr. Environmental Engineer

NWR, Source Control Section, 229-5740

Subject:

WQ-Columbia County

City of Scappoose, Telecon with Steve Wabschall

On Wednesday, September 22, 1999, I called Steve Wabschall about questions concerning the December 1998 Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) and the bench sheets I copied during my inspection on September 16, 1999, as noted below.

Regarding laboratory analysis worksheet for December 9, 1998, I asked for the volume of sample used for suspended solids analyses. He reported the following:

aeration basin MLSS = 10 mL for Total and Volatile RAS = 10 mL
Influent total and volatile = 50 mL
Effluent total = 100 mL

I asked what units apply to the dry weight and tare weight numbers. He said the numbers represent 10<sup>-5</sup> g.

Regarding BOD bench sheet for December 9, 1998, I asked for clarification on how the Influent BOD of 100 mg/L recorded on the bench sheet was calculated because it does not check with the values for DO depletion and dilutions recorded. He said the true value should be about 25 mg/L but he knew that was too low so just wrote in 100 mg/L.

I also asked why he uses 303 mL for the volume of the BOD bottle while the commonly accepted value is 300 mL. He said he measured the bottle. I said he must have read the meniscus incorrectly because the bottles are 300 mL.

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Regarding BOD bench sheet for December 17, 1998, I asked why the recorded value of 60 mg/L was used for the influent BOD when the DO depletions and dilutions indicate a calculated average of 38.8 mg/L. He said he knew the BOD should be higher so just wrote in 60 mg/L.

Regarding the BOD and TSS bench records for December 9 and December 17, 1998, I asked why the bench data does not agree with the DMR, as follows:

Date	Station	Parameter	Bench	DMR
12/9/98	Influent	BOD	100 mg/L	80 mg/L
12/9/98	Influent	TSS	96 mg/L	115 mg/L
12/9/98	Effluent	BOD	5.8 mg/L	2.5 mg/L
12/9/98	Effluent	TSS	7 mg/L	7.0 mg/L

He noted that the data appear to be off by a day and that he might have transcribed in incorrectly from "the book." I stated that similar problems exist for December 17, 1998.

Appendix E - Split Sample Results

# Split History

### Scappoose STP

### Total Suspended Solids

Station	Collected	Source result	DEQ result	diff	RPD
Effluent	11/17/92	25,8	23	3	11 %
Influent	11/17/92	156	170	-14	-9 %
Effluent	9/16/99	5.0	. 1	4-	133 %
Influent	9/16/99	316	31Ò	6	2 %

### Biochemical Oxygen Demand 5 day

Station		Collected	Source result	DEQ result	diff	RPD
Effluent		11/17/92	17.5	23	-6	-27 %
Influent		11/17/92	160	250	-90	-44 %
Effluent	-	9/16/99	8:1	3.	5	92 %
Influent		9/16/99	300	E 1100)	-800	-114 %

### pH (Laboratory)

Station	Collected	Source result	DEQ result	diff	RPD
Effluent	11/17/92	7.2	7.1	0.1	1 %
Influent	11/17/92	7.7	7.5	0.2	3 %

### Fecal Coliform

Station	Collected	Source result	DEQ result	diff	RPD
Effluent.	11/17/92	<2	~ <u>&lt;5</u>	NA	NA
Effluent	9/16/99	41	>600	-1.1654	NA

This report summarizes the data I have in my database. Only the records in which I compute the difference appear in this report. Other data does azists. Data is sorted by the sample collection data. If you prefer more information, different report formats, or sorting please let me know.

- Chris Redman DEQ/Lab.

### Oregon Department of Environmental Quality

### Split Sampling Event Comparison Summary

DEQ case: 990837	Source: Scappo	ose STP			
Fund code: 3365	Submitter: J. Shee	etz			
Item: 1	Collected: 16-Sep	o-99 15:00			
Influent Grab: Municipal waste	Source resul	t DEQ resuit	Difference	RPD	
Total Suspended Solids (mg/L)	31	6 310		2%	/_
Biochemical Oxygen Demand 5 day (mg/L)				-114 %	-
oH (Laboratory) (S.U.)	_ N	A 6.5	_ NA	NA	
Item: 2	Collected: 16-Sep	-99 15:01			
Effluent Grab: Municipal waste	Source resul	t DEQ result	Difference	RPD	
Fotal Recoverable Hardness as Calcium Carbonate Calculated) (mg/L)	N	A 63.3	NA	NA	
Total Suspended Solids (mg/L)	5.	.0 1	4	133 % .	
liochemical Oxygen Demand 5 day (mg/L)	. 8.	.1 3	5	92 %	
H (Laboratory) (S.U.)	N	A 7.6	NA	NA	
otal Organic Carbon (mg/L)	N			NA	
Chemical Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	N	A 17	. NA	NA	_
scherichia Coli (CFU/100 ml)	N	A420	NA_	NA NA	,
ecal Coliform (CFU/100 ml)	_ (4	1 >600	-1.1654	NA T	· <del>-</del>
otal Recoverable Aluminum (mg/L)	N	A 0.095	NA	NĀ	`
otal Recoverable Barium (mg/L)	N	A 0.00336	NA	NA	
otal Recoverable C <u>admi</u> um (mg/L)	N	A 0.00010	NA	NA	
otal Recoverable Calcium (mg/L)	N	A 17.0	, NA	NA	
otal Recoverable Chromium (mg/L)	N.			NA	
otal Recoverable Cobait (mg/L)	N			NA	
otal Recoverable Copper (mg/L)	N		•	NA	-
otal Recoverable Iron (mg/L)	· N			NA	
otal Recoverable Lithium (mg/L)	. N	A 0.0207	NA	NA	
otal Recoverable Magnesium (mg/L)	N	A 50.6	NA	NA	
otal Recoverable Manganese (mg/L)	N	A 0.0105	NA	NA	
otal Recoverable Molybdenum (mg/L)	N	A 0.00158	NA	NA	
otal Recoverable Nickel (mg/L)	N	λ		NA	
otal Recoverable Potassium (mg/L)	N	A 30.7		NA	
otal Recoverable Sodium (mg/L)	N	A 161	NA	NA	
otal Recoverable Thallium (mg/L)	N	A 0.0020	NA	NA	
Total Recoverable Vanadium (mg/L)	N	A 0.00334	NA	NA	
Total Recoverable Zinc (mg/L)	N.	E080.0	NA	NA	

### OREGON DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Inter-Laboratory Split Comparison

DEQ Case Number:

	Source Name: CITY OF CAPPOSE
Contact Person: STEVE LUAR SCHALL	Source Name: <u>CITY OF SCAPPOSE</u> Contact Person: <u>STEVE</u> <u>WAR SCHAL</u> L

Address: Collected By:

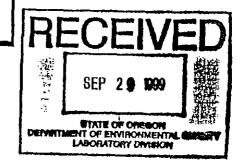
Region/Division:

		IEASUREN	IENTS +		SOURCE SAMPLE RESULTS					DI	O LAB RE	SULTS	
Analysis	Sample	Sample	Sample	Sample WFL	Sample &FFL	Sample	Sample	Date/Time Analysis	Sample	Sample	Sample	Sampla	Date/Fime Analysis
<b></b>	A	B	C	A.	В	С	D	set up	Α	В	C	D	set up
BOD				300	8.1							7.1	_
TSŠ				316	5.0							Man.	
FC					41/100								
TM										0.0000		WANT.	
NUTRIENT													
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	Sample point description A	Container number				
Sample	(ie. Effluent comp.).	SOURCE	DEQ 🛧			
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Fill in your split sample results and mail to:

DEQ Lab 1712 SW 11th Ave. Portland, OR 97201 Attn: QA Chemist



Shaded area for DEQ use.

+DEQ sampler enter your field measurements, if taken; indicate whether they are estimates.

♠ DEQ sampler is responsible for completing this column.

Need assistance with this form? Contact the OA chemist at (503) 229-5983.

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# OREGON HEALTH DIVISION CENTER FOR PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORIES MICROBIOLOGICAL EXAMINATION OF WASTEWATERS

DATE/TIME RECEIVED AT PILL

Requesting Agency: DEQ (Case # 99043)	CountyOther
Tests requested Total coliforms Fecal coliforms E. col	Other
Survey CITY OF SCHPPOOSE	Collection Date 9/4/99 Time 15:00 am pm By JS  Completion Date 9/20/99 Time 8 35 am pm  Reviewed by Date 12/99
Analysis date 9/17/99 Time // ampm	Completion Date 9/20/99 Time 8 35 Can pm
Reported by 96 Date 7/20/97	Reviewed by Date 120/99
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PHL #	Bottle #	Item #	Treated (Y/N)	Sample Point .		RESULTS: C	SEP 17 A CFU\100ml	#10:15
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### DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

### LABORATORY DIVISION / INORGANIC SECTION BIOCHEMICAL OXYGEN DEMAND

QA/QC REPORT

CASE No .:

990837

CASE NAME: SCAPPORE STP SAMPLES / CASE-MATRIX: 1- Valor ANALYSIS DATE:

3/17/99

ANALYST(s):

ATC.

ANALYTE True Value — QC REFERENCE SAMPLE(s)	mg/L	Measured Value	mgiL 	Percent Recovery (75-125%)
Glucose glutamic acid	200.00		215	108 %
<u>-</u>				
CALIBRATION CHECK SAMPLE(s)				
Sodium Thiosulfate titrant	12.409		12,409	100 %
0.025N	g/2L		g/2L	시 [한

TYPE		Z LAB REAGENT BL	ANKS			
MATRIX	ANALYTE	Expected Value	mg/L	Measured Value -	mg/L	Nondetectable (< MRL)
Water	800		<0.3		0.2	Acceptable ·
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TYPE		3 Labreplicate	3.				
ITEM#	ANALYTE	SAMPLE # (A)	mg/L	Matrix	DUPLICATE # (B)	mg/L	Percent Difference (RPO 0+/-10%)
	BOO		1	Water			1
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NA - Not Applicable

Method conforms to method 5210 8 "Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater," 19th Edition, 1995.

# DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY LABORATORIES AND APPLIED RESEARCH INORGANICIMETALS SECTION QUANTITATIVE ANALYSIS FOR 25 ELEMENTS by Inductively Coupled Plasma (ICP)

#### SUMMARY QA/ QC REPORT

990437 SCAPPOOSE STP

DATE: ZT OCT 1995 ANALYST: RADIRUU

		QC REFERENCE	CALIBRATION	ZERO	LAB REAGENT	LAS REPLICATES	LAB SPIKED	LAB SPIKED
	_	İ	CHECK	CHECK	SLANK		SAMPLE	BLANK
	_	% RECOVERY	% RECOVERY			%DIFFERENCE	% RECOVERY	% RECOVERY
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ELEMENT	MDL (mg/L)	SPEX 1583				TEM 1 - TM963	ITEM 1 - TM983	
Iron	0.0020	99	93	Acceptable		30.1	97	97
Manganesa	0.00020	103	95	Acceptable	Acceptable	-0.5	100	100
Potassium	- 0.0100	104	100	Acceptable		5.3	102	102
Aluminum	0.0100	103	97	Acceptable		6.3	102	102
Lithium	0.0004	105	101			14.9	116	106
Calcium	0.0100	105	95	Acceptable	Acceptable	6.7	96	99
Sodium	0.1000	101	100	Acceptable		5.6		99
Magnesium	0.0100	102	95	Acceptable	Acceptable	7.2	98	99
Lanthanum	0.0010	104	96	Acceptable	Acceptable	0.0	100	101
Silver	0.00020	. 981	101	Acceptable	Acceptable	37.5	106	109
Molybdeли <del>л</del>	0.00040	101	103	Acceptable	Acceptable	39.2	102	108
Cadmium	0,00010	101	101	Acceptable	Acceptable	180.0	101	104
Barium	0.00010	96	97	Acceptable	Acceptable	10,1	97	101
Baryillum	0.000010	103	97	Acceptable	Acceptable	-200.0	104	109
Nickel	0,00020	991	95	Acceptable	Acceptable	47.1	94	98
Cobalt	0.00029	99	96	Acceptable	Acceptable	41	96	99
Chromium	0.00020	102	98	Acceptable	Acceptable	115.2	90	103
Vanadium	0.00010	1001	97		Acceptable	4.2	101	104
Copper	0.00020	101	98	Acceptable	Acceptable	15.0	108	107
Zing	0.00050	99	100	Acceptable		12.0	104	104
Antimony	0.0030	101	106	Acceptable	Acceptable	-1479	115	115
Acsenic	0.0629	113	112	Acceptable	Acceptable	.76.9	113	115
Lead	0.0030	- 100	104	Acceptable	Acceptable	-13.3	101	101
Thaillum	0.0020	101	108	Acceptable		141:5	100	_ 101
Selenium	0.0030	106	111	Acceptable	Acceptable	<b>53.2</b>	112	111

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Method conforms to methods 8010 & 3050 in SW846 EPA-RCRA Manual, Method also conforms to methods 200,7 in EPA Water & Waste water Manual.

-	City of			nalysis		- Case No. 44007
Locațio	n/site: DESPPOSE	Date Samp	oled: 9/	16/99	Da	te Received in Lab:
	ed by: Jim SHEETZ					te Reported: NOV 1 6 1999
	COMPLIANCE INSPEC				<del></del>	port Data to:
Comments	SPUT SAMPLES	WITH	CITY	For	BOD, 7	SS YFC ONLY
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Contact Sample Tracker for proper sampling containers and preservation procedure. (503) 229-5983

#### DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY LABORATOR

Analytical Records Report

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MONDAY NOVEMBER 1st, 1999

CASE NAME: 990837 SCAPPOOSE STP

SUBMITTER: Sheetz, Jim COLLEC FUND CODE: 3365 Municipal Permits and compliance COLLECTOR: Sheetz, Jim

ITEM # RESULT UNITS TEST

. 001 INFLUENT GRAB 09/16/99 @ 15:00

1100 Biochemical Oxygen Demand-5 day (diluted) بيو در د د 310 mg/L Total Suspended Solids

8005 : First three dilutions all greater than. Two reported exceeded holding time.

002 EFFLUENT GRAB 09/16/99 @ 15:01

Microbiological data performed by OSHD.

E. coli by membrane filtration.

Fecal Coliform by membrane filtration.

Indicator Metals by Inductively Coupled Plasma #1

Aluminum, Total Recoverable

Calcium, Total Recoverable

Hardness as Ca(CO3)2, calculated, Total Recoverable

Iron, Total Recoverable

Lanthanum, Total Recoverable

Lithium, Total Recoverable

Magnesium, Total Recoverable CELLZO CEU/O.1L 600 0.095 17.0 63.3 mg/L mg/L mg/L 0.0472 mg/L (0.0010 mg/L 0.0207 mg/L Magnesium, Total Recoverable
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Potassium, Total Recoverable
Sodium, Total Recoverable
Primary Pollutant Metals by ICP #1
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Chromium, Total Recoverable
Cobalt, Total Recoverable
Copper, Total Recoverable
Molybdenum, Total Recoverable
Nickel, Total Recoverable
Silver, Total Recoverable
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\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* COMMENT TEST REFERENCE

BOD5 : Biochemical Oxygen Demand-5 day (diluted)

Appendix F - Compliance Determination Calculations

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### MOT! Date: Adress: Plant Manager: l'elephone No. (\*\*OMMENTS: I certify under the penalty if law that I have personal examines and am familiar with information submitted herein; and based on my inquire of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information. I believe the submitted information is true accurate and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting talse information including the possibility of fine and imprisonment. Facility Name: FIRECTERS GOM WOT MISTORY. 1V.);l; Steve Wabschall 1817-515 (808) Columbia Ave. Plunt Scappoose, OR 97056 34485 Columbia Ave. 14-Oct-99 Avg. 0.590 0.334 0 321 <u>X</u> 0.172 Max. 0 **8**0 0.554 Permit Limit 2.000 DEPT OF ENVINORMENTAL QUALITY NORTHWEST REGION Design Avg. CITY OF SCAPPOOSE 1.000 007 18 1999 Operational Data Submittal RECEIVED SEPTEMBER 1999 Design Max. Exceeded No of Times signature: J. Willabschall D.E.Q. DISCHARGE TO: E.P.A. DESIGN POPULATION: POPULATION EQUIVALENT: Mudmomah Channel 23 65% 29 52% Suther. 100677 요 % 19.624 9,037

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Appendix G -- Table 20 Instream Toxics

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## WATER QUALITY CRITERIA SUMMARY (Applicable to all Basins)<sup>1</sup>

The concentration for each compound listed in this chart is a criteria or guidance value\* not to be exceeded in waters of the state for the protection of aquatic life and human health. Specific descriptions of each compound and an explanation of values are included in Quality Criteria for Water (1986). Selecting values for regulatory purposes will depend on the most sensitive beneficial use to be protected, and what level of protection is necessary for aquatic life and human health.

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Compound Name (or Class)	Priority Pollutant	Carcinogen	Fresh Acute Criteria	Fresh Chronic Criteria	Marine Acute Criteria	Marine Chronic Criteria	Water and Fish Ingestion	Fish Consumption Only	Drinking Water M.C.L.
ACENAPTHENE	Y	И	+1,700.	+520.	<b>+</b> 970.	•710.			
ACROLEIN	Y	И	+68.	•21.	+55.		320.ug	780.ug	
ACRYLONITRILE	Y	Υ	+7,550.	+2,600.			0.058ug**	0.65ug**	
ALDRIN	٨٠	Y	3.0		1.3		0.074ng**	0.079ng**	
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ANTIMONY	Y	И	+9,000.	+1,600.	<u> </u>		146.ug	45,000.ug	
ARSENIC	Y	Y					2.2ng**	17.5ng**	0.05mg
ARSENIC (PENT)	Y	Y	•850.	<b>₹48</b> .	+2,319.	+13.			
ARSENIC (TRI)	Y	Y	360.	190.	δ9.	36.			
ASDESTOS	Y	Y					30K (/L++		
BARIUM	н	N					i.mg		1.0mg
BENZENE	Y	Y	+5,300.		+5,100.	<b>+700</b> .	0.66ug++	40.ug**	
DENZIDINE	Y	Y	+2,500,				0.1202	0,53ng**	
BERYLLIUM	Y	Y	*100.	+5.3			6.tng**	117.ng++	
BIIC	Y	Н	*100.		*0.34	1			
CADMIUM	Υ	И	3.9+	1.1+	43.	9.3	10.ug		0.010mg
CARBON TETRACHLORIDE	Y	Y	+35,200.		+50,000.		0.4ug**	6.94ug**	·
CHLORDANE	Y	Y	2.4	0.0043	0.09	0.004	0.46ng++	0.48ng**	·
CHLORIDE	N	И	860 mg/L	230 mg/L		ii			
CHLORINATED BENZENES	Υ	Y	+250	+50.	•160.	*129.	488.ug		
CHLORINATED NAPHTHALENES	Y	И	+1,600.		+7.5	[			
CHLORINE	N	И	19.	11.	13.	7.5			
CHLOROALKYLETHERS	Y	И	+238,000.		J				
CHLOROETHYL ETHER (BIS-2)	Y	Y	l		l		0.03ug	1.36ug**	
CHLOROFORM	Y	Y	*28,900.	*1,240.		·	0.19ug**	15.7ug**	
CHLOROISOPROPYLETHER (µIS-2)	Y	N		-			34.7ug	4.36mg	

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Compound Name (or Class)	Priority Pollutant	Carcinogen	Fresh Acute Criteria	Fresh Chronic Criteria	Marine Acule Criteria	Marine Chronic Criteria	Water and Fish Ingestion	Fish Consumption Only	Drinking Water M.C.L.
CHLOROMETHYL ETHER (BIS)	И	Y					0.00000376ng++	0.00184ug++	
CHLOROPHENOL 2	Y	И	+4,380.	+2,000.					
CHLOROPHENOL 4	И	И			*29,700.				
CHLOROPHENOXY HERBICIDES (2,4,5,-TP)	N	И .					10.ug		
CHLOROPHENOXYHERBICIDES (2,4-D)	И	И					100.ug		
CHLORPYRIFOS	И	И	0.083	0.041	0.011	0.0056		<u> </u>	
CHLORO-4 METHYL-3 PHENOL	И	И	+30.						
CHROMIUM (HEX)	Y	N	16.	11.	1,100	50.	50.ug		0.05mg
CHROMIUM (TRI)	И	И	1,700.+	210.+	+10,300	[	170.mg	3,433.mg	0.05mg
COPPER	Y	И	18.+	12.+	2.9	2.9			
CYANIDE	Υ	И	22.	5.2	1.	1.	200.ug		
DOT	Υ	Y	1.1	0.001	0.13	0.001	0.024ng**	0.024ng**	
DDT METABOLITE (DDE)	Y	Y	+1,050.		*14.				
DDT METABOLITE (I'DE)	Y	Y	+0.06		+3.6				
DEMETON	Y	И		0.1		0.1			
DIBUTYLPHTHALATE	Υ	И					35.mg	154.mg	
DICHLOROBENZENES	Y	И	+1,120.	+763.	•1,970.		400.սջ	2.6mg	
DICHLOROBENZIDINE	Y	Y					0.01ug++	0.020ug**	
DICHLOROETHANE 1,2	Y	Υ	*118,000,	+20,000.	*113,000,		0.94ug**	243.ug**	
DICHLOROETHYLENES	Y	YY	*11,600.		*224.000.		0.033ug++	1.85ug**	
DICHLOROPHENOL 2,4	<u>N</u>	N.	*2,020.	+365.			3.09mg		
DICHLOROPROPANE .	Υ	Н	*23,000.	<b>*5,700</b> .	*10,300.	+3,040.			
DICHLOROPROPENE	Υ_	И	+6,060.	+244.	•790.		87.ug	14.lmg	
DIELDRIN	Y	Y	. 2.5	0,0019	0.71	.0019	0.071ng**	0.076ng**	
DIETHYLPHTHALATE	Y	И					350.mg	1.8g	
DIMETHYL PHENOL 2,4	Y	И	+2,120,						
DIMETHYL PHTHALATE	Υ.	N					313.mg	2.9g	
DINITROTOLUENE 2,4	И	Y					0.11ug++	9.1ug**	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
DINITROTOLUENE	Υ	И					70.ug	14.3mg	·
DINTEROTOLUENE	И	Y	•330.	+230.	•590.	<b>+</b> 370.			
DINITRO-O-CRESOL 2,4	Y	И					13,4g	765.ug	
DIOXIN (2,3,7,8-TCDD)	Y	Y	•0.61	*38 pg/L			0.000013ng**	0.000014ng**	
DIPHENYLHYDRAZINE	Y	И				-	42.ng+*	0.56ug**	

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.	Compound Name (or Class)	Priority Pollutent	Carcinogen	Fresh Acute Criteria	Fresh Chronic Criteria	Marine Acute Criterla	Marine Chronic Criteria	Water and Fish Ingestion	Fish Consumption Only	Drinking Water M.C.L.
	DIPHENYLHYDRAZINEL,2	Y	И	<b>+270</b> .						
	DI-2-ETHYLHEXYL PITHALATE	Y	N					15.mg	50.mg	
	ENDOSULFAN	Y	И	0.22	0.056	0.034	0.0017	74.ug	159.ug	
	ENDRIN	Y	N	0.18	0.0023	0.037	0.0023	1.ug	_	0.0002mg
	ELHALBENSENG	Y	И	*32,000.		+430.		1.4mg	3.28mg	
	FLUORANTHENE	Y	14	<b>+3,980</b> .		+40.	+16.	42.ug	54.ug	
	GUTINON	И	И		0.01		10.0			
ı	HALOETHERS	Y	И	<b>*</b> 360.	+122.					
	HALOMETHANES	Y	Y	*11,000.		+12,000.	•6,400.	0.19ug++	15.7ug++	
- (	HEPTACHLOR	Y	Y	0.52	0.0038	0.053	0.0036	0.28ng**	0.29ng++	
- {	HEXACILOROETHANE	И	Y	+980.	<b>*</b> 540.	+940.		1.9ug	6.74ug	
- 1	HEXACILOROBENZENE .	Y	И					0.72ng++	0.74ng++	
٠	HEXACILOROBUTADIENE	Y	Y	<b>*90.</b>	•9.3	+32.		0.45ug**	50,ug**	
Ì	HEXACHLOROCYCLOHEXANE (LINDANE)	Y	Y	2.0	0.08	0.16	,			0.004mg
	HEXACHLOROCYCLOHEXANE-ALPHA	Y	Y					9.2ng++	31.ng**	
	HEXACHLOROCYCLOHEXANE-BETA	Υ	Y					16.3ng++	54.7ng**	
	HEXACHLOROCYCLOHEXANE-GAMA	Y	Y	<del></del> -				18.6ag++	62.5ng**	
	HEXACHLOROCYCLOHEXANG TECHNICAL	Υ	Y					12.3ag++	41.402**	
	HEXACILLOROCYCLOPENTADIENE	Y	И	+7.	+5.2	•7.		206.ug	1 - 1 - 1	
>	IRON	И	И		1,000.			0.3mg		
	ISOPHORONE	Υ	И	*117,000.	·	•12,900.		5.2mg	520.nig	-
	LEAD	Y	И	82.+	3.2+	140.	5.6	50.ug		0.05mg
	MALATIION	И	И		0.1		0.1			
>	MANGANESE	N	И					50.ug	100.ug	
	MERCURY	Y	И	2.4	0.012	2.1	0.025	144.ng	146.ng	0.002mg
	METHOXYCHLOR	N	И		0.03		0.03	100.ug		0.1mg
	MIREX	И	И		100.0		100.0			
	MONOCIILOROBENZENE	Y	И					488.ug		
	NAPHTHALENE	Y	И	*2,300.	<b>*620.</b>	+2,350.				
⋛	NICKEL	Y	И	1,400.+	160+	75	8.3	13.4ug	100.ug	
	NTTRATES	N	И					10.mg		10.mg
	HITROBENZENE	Y	И	*27,000.		+6,680.		19.8mg		
	NTTROPHENOLS	Y	И	<b>*</b> 230.	*150.	+4,850.				

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Compound Name (or Class)	Priority Pollutant	Carcinogen	Fresh Acute Criteria	Fresh Chronic Criteria	Marine Acute Criteria	Marine Chronic Criteria	Water : and Fish Ingestion	Fish Consumption Only	Drinking Water M.C.L.
NITROSAMINES	Y	Y	•5,850.	'	*3,300,000		0.8ng**	1,240.ng**	
NITROSODIBUTYLAMINE N	·Y	Y					6.4ng**	587.ng**	
NITROSODIETHYLAMINE N	Y	Y					0.8ng**	1,240.ng**	,
NITROSODIMETHYLAMINE N	Y	Y			Ţ		1.4ng**	16,000.ng**	
NITROSODIPHENYLAMINE N	Y	Y			1		4,900.ng**	16,100.ng**	
NITROSOPYRROLIDINE N	Y	Y			T		16.ng**	91,900.ng**	
PARATHION	И	И	0.065	0.013				,	
PCB's	Y	Y	2.0	0.014	10.	0.03	0.079ng**	0.079ng**	
PENTACILLORINATED ETIIANES	N	И	•7,240.	*1,100.	*390.	+281.			
PENTACILLORODENZENE	И	И			T	1.	74.ug	85.ug	ļ
PENTACHLOROPHENOL	Y	И	+++20.	+++13.	13.	+7.9	1.01mg	1	
PHENOL	Y	И	*10,200.	*2,560.	•5,800.		3.5mg		
PHOSPHORUS ELEMENTAL	И	N	<b>,</b>		1	0.1		1	
PITTIALATE ESTERS	Y	И	•940.	<b>+3</b> .	+2,944.	*3.4			<u> </u>
POLYNUCLEAR AROMATIC HYDROCARDONS	Y	Y	l		*300.		2.Bng**	31.lng**	i——
SELENIUM	Y	И	260.	35.	410.	54.	10.ug		0.01mg
SILVER	Y	N	4.1+	0.12	2.3		50.ug		0.05mg
SULFIDE-HYDROGEN SULFIDE	И	И		2.	T	2.			
TETRACHLORINATED ETHANES	Y	И	+9,320.		T				
TETRACHLOROBENZENE 1,2,4,5	Y	И		•	1		38.ug	48.ug	
TETRACIILOROETHANE 1,1,2,2	Y	Y		*2,400.	+9,020.		0.17ug**	10.7ug**	· ·
TETRACIILOROETHANES	Y	И	+9,320.		1				
TETRACHLOROETHYLENE	Y	Υ	*5,280.	*840.	*10,200.	•450.	0.8ug++	8.85ug **	
TETRACHLOROPHENOL 2,3,5,6	Υ	И			1	•440.			
S THALLIUM	Y	И	+1,400.	*40.	•2,130.		13.ug	48.ug	
TOLUENE	Y	И	+17,500.		•6,300.	*5,000,	14.3mg	424.mg	
TOXAPHENE	Y	Y	0.73	0.0002	0.21 .	0,0002	0.71ng**	0.73ng**	0.005mg
TRICHLORINATED EHANES	Y	Y	+18,000.		1				-
TRICHLOROETHANE 1,1,1	Υ	N ·	1		*31,2000.		18.4mg	1.03g	<del>                                     </del>
TRICHLOROETHANE 1.1.2	Y	Y		•9,400.	†	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	0.6ug++	41.8ug**	
TRICHLOROETHYLENE	Y	Y	*45,000.	21,900.	+2,000.		2.7ug**	80.7ug**	
TRICHLOROPHENOL 2,4,5	N	N			<del> </del>		2,600.ug		· <del></del>
TRICHLOROPHENOL 2,4,6	Y	Y		•970.	T		1.2ug**	3.6ux**	



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	Priority Pollutant	Carcinogen	Concentration in Micrograms Per Liter for Protection of Aquatic Life				Concentration in Units Per Liter for Protection of Human Health		
Compound Name (or Class)			Presh Acute Criteria	Fresh Chronic Criteria	Marine Acule Crileria	Marine Chronic Criteria	Water and Fish Ingestion	Fish Consumption Only	Drinking Water M.C.L.
VINYL CHLORIDE	Y	Y					2.ug **	525.ug**	
ZINC	Y	И	120.+	110+	95	86			

#### MEANING OF SYMBOLS:

B	224	grams	M.C.L.	=	Maximum Contaminant Level.				
mg	=	milligrams	,		The second second second				
ug	=	micrograms	1	-	ardness Dependent Criteria (100 mg/L used).				
ng	5.2	nanograms	*	н	Insufficient data to develop criteria; value presented is the L.O.E.L. — Lowest Observed Effect Level.				
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- \*\* = Human health criteria for carelingens reported for three risk levels. Value presented is the 10-6 risk level, which means the probability of one concern case per one million people at the stated concentration.
- pli Dependent Criteria (7.8 pli used).

#### 1 - Values in Table 20 are applicable to all basins as follows:

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#### Water and Fish Ingestlon

Values represent the maximum ambient water concentration for consumption of both contaminated water and fish or other aquatic organisms.

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Appendix H -- Permittee Response



### Department of Environmental Quality

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2000-01-25

City of Scappoose PO Box P Scappoose, OR97056

Re:

WQ-Columbia County

City of Scappoose File No. 78980 Permit No. 100677 EPA No. OR-002242-2

NOTICE OF NONCOMPLIANCE No. WQ-NWR-2000-001

This Notice of Noncompliance (NON) is issued for the following violations of the NPDES Permit No. 100677 for your facility at 2000 Columbia Avenue:

Violation Date	Outfall	Source	Parameter	Permit Requirement	Violation
1999-09-16		Final Effluent	flow meter calibration	Sch. B, Cond. 1b, calibrate 2 x annually; GC, Sec. C, 2. calibrate flow meter and maintain accuracy	failure to calibrate and maintain accuracy of flowmeter; Class II
1998-07-06 1998-07-10 1998-07-20	001	Final Effluent	FC	GC, B.1. shall provide adequate laboratory controls and appropriate quality assurance procedures	failure to provide adequate laboratory controls and appropriate quality assurance procedures; Class II
1998-12-09 1998-12-17	001	Final Effluent	BOD₅	GC, B.1. shall provide adequate laboratory controls and appropriate quality assurance procedures	failure to provide adequate laboratory controls and appropriate quality assurance procedures; Class II
1998-12-09 1998-12-17	001	Final Effluenț	BOD₅	GC, C.4. shall not knowingly render inaccurate data for monitoring method	knowingly submitted inaccurate BOD <sub>5</sub> data; Class I and federal CWA violation
1998-12-09 1998-12-17	001	Final Effluent	BOD <sub>5</sub>	GC, D.9. shall not knowingly make false statement on monitoring report	knowingly submitted inaccurate BOD <sub>5</sub> data; Class I

EXHIBIT

10.

Enclosed is a copy of the inspection report documenting the inspection on 1999-12-09 during which the violations cited above were identified. Although the violations have been consolidated into this single NON, each violation cited is a separate violation.

This NON is the first NON for the current 36-month period beginning on the date of the earliest violation cited above of 1998-07-06. A recap of the violation history for your facility is given below.

NON Date	NON No.	Violation Date(s)	Class
2000-01-25	WQ-NWR-2000-001	1998-07-6	II
		1998-07-10	
		1998-07-20	1
2000-01-25	WQ-NWR-2000-001	1998-12-09	II
		1998-12-17	
2000-01-25	WQ-NWR-2000-001	1998-12-09	I
		1998-12-17	
2000-01-25	WQ-NWR-2000-001	1999-12-16	II

This Notice of Noncompliance suggests that your facility may benefit from pollution prevention activities. Using pollution prevention can save your facility money through lower costs for resources or raw materials, energy and water, waste disposal or waste management, pollution control equipment, occupational injuries, and DEQ permit costs, emission fees, and hazardous waste generation fees. Pollution prevention can also lead to improved worker health and safety, and increased efficiency or productivity through diverting investments in waste management into the manufacturing process.

Pollution prevention means preventing environmental degradation at the source. Pollution prevention can be achieved by:

- 1. protection of natural resources by conservation and improved management practices;
- 2. increased efficiency in the use of raw materials, energy, water, or other resources; or
- 3. source reduction and other practices that reduce or eliminate the creation of pollutants.

For your wastewater generating processes, pollution prevention can include:

- 1. recycling and reuse of water and chemicals;
- 2. process changes to reduce chemical usage;
- 3. process changes to substitute less toxic chemicals for more toxic chemicals;
- 4. process changes to eliminate the use of certain chemicals; and
- 5. best management practices (BMPs) to improve housekeeping and spill response through better training, and better operations and maintenance procedures.

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For your storm water management program, pollution prevention activities can include:

- minimize contact of machinery and equipment, materials or products, or waste materials with storm water discharges from the site, and cover whenever possible;
- 2. store all hazardous material and wastes within berms or other secondary containment devices to prevent leaks and spills from contaminating storm water;
- 3. identify areas onsite where a potential exists for contributing pollutants to storm water runoff and identify the potential pollutants that could be present in storm water discharges;
- 4. divert uncontaminated storm water away from active industrial areas;
- 5. treat contaminated storm water with appropriate best management practices (oil booms, debris screens, settling ponds, etc.) prior to offsite discharge; and
- 6. practice good housekeeping.

The violations cited above include Class I and Class II violations, which are considered to be serious violations of Oregon and federal environmental law. Therefore, we are referring these violations to the Department's enforcement section with a recommendation to initiate formal enforcement action. A formal enforcement action may include a civil penalty assessment for each day of violation.

The Department requests your cooperation in ensuring that these violations do not recur. If you have any questions, contact me at 503-229-5740.

Sincerely,

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### 5210 B. 5-Day BOD Test

#### 1. General Discussion

a. Principle: The method consists of filling with sample, to overflowing, an airtight bottle of the specified size and incubating it at the specified temperature for 5 d. Dissolved oxygen is measured initially and after incubation, and the BOD is computed from the difference between initial and final DO. Because the initial DO is determined immediately after the dilution is made, all oxygen uptake, including that occurring during the first 15 min, is included in the BOD measurement.

b. Sampling and storage: Samples for BOD analysis may degrade significantly during storage between collection and analysis, resulting in low BOD values. Minimize reduction of BOD by analyzing sample promptly or by cooling it to near-freezing temperature during storage. However, even at low temperature, keep holding time to a minimum. Warm chilled samples to 20°C fore analysis.

1) Grab samples—If analysis is begun within 2 h of collection, cold storage is unnecessary. If analysis is not started within 2 h of sample collection, keep sample at or below 4°C from the time of collection. Begin analysis within 6 h of collection; when this is not possible because the sampling site is distant from the laboratory, store at or below 4°C and report length and temperature of storage with the results. In no case start analysis more than 24 h after grab sample collection. When samples are to be used for regulatory purposes make every effort to deliver samples for analysis within 6 h of collection.

2) Composite samples—Keep samples at or below 4°C during compositing. Limit compositing period to 24 h. Use the same criteria as for storage of grab samples, starting the measurement of holding time from end of compositing period. State storage time and conditions as part of the results.

### 2. Apparatus

a. Incubation bottles, 250- to 300-mL capacity. Clean bottles with a detergent, rinse thoroughly, and drain before use. As a precaution against drawing air into the dilution bottle during incubation, use a water-seal. Obtain satisfactory water seals by inverting bottles in a water bath or by adding water to the flared mouth of special BOD bottles. Place a paper or plastic cup or foil cap over flared mouth of bottle to reduce evaporation of the water seal during incubation.

b. Air incubator or water bath, thermostatically controlled at 20 ± 1°C. Exclude all light to prevent possibility of photosynhetic production of DO.

#### 3. Reagents

- a. Phosphate buffer solution: Dissolve 8.5 g  $KH_2PO_4$ , 21.75 g  $K_2HPO_4$ , 33.4 g  $Na_2HPO_4$ ·7 $H_2O$ , and 1.7 g  $NH_4Cl$  in about 500 mL distilled water and dilute to 1 L. The pH should be 7.2 without further adjustment. Discard reagent (or any of the following reagents) if there is any sign of biological growth in the stock bottle.
- b. Magnesium sulfate solution: Dissolve 22.5 g MgSO $_4$ ·7H $_2$ O in distilled water and dilute to 1 L.
- c. Calcium chloride solution: Dissolve 27.5 g CaCl<sub>2</sub> in distilled water and dilute to 1 L.
- d. Ferric chloride solution: Dissolve 0.25~g FeCl<sub>3</sub>· $6H_2O$  in distilled water and dilute to 1~L.
- e. Acid and alkali solutions, 1N, for neutralization of caustic or acidic waste samples.
- 1) Acid—Slowly and while stirring, add 28 mL conc sulfuric acid to distilled water. Dilute to 1 L.
- 2) Alkali—Dissolve 40 g sodium hydroxide in distilled water. Dilute to 1 L,
- f. Sodium sulfite solution: Dissolve 1.575 g Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub> in 1000 mL distilled water. This solution is not stable; prepare daily.
- g. Nitrification inhibitor, 2-chloro-6-(trichloromethyl) pyridine.\*
- h. Glucose-glutamic acid solution: Dry reagent-grade glucose and reagent-grade glutamic acid at 103°C for 1 h. Add 150 mg glucose and 150 mg glutamic acid to distilled water and dilute to 1 L. Prepare fresh immediately before use.
- i. Ammonium chloride solution: Dissolve 1.15 g NH $_4$ Cl in about 500 mL distilled water, adjust pH to 7.2 with NaOH solution, and dilute to 1 L. Solution contains 0.3 mg N/mL.

#### 4. Procedure

a. Preparation of dilution water: Place desired volume of water in a suitable bottle and add 1 mL each of phosphate buffer, MgSO<sub>4</sub>, CaCl<sub>2</sub>, and FeCl<sub>3</sub> solutions/L of water. Seed dilution water, if desired, as described in  $\P$  4d. Test and store dilution water as described in  $\P$ s 4b and c so that water of assured quality always is on hand.

Before use bring dilution water temperature to 20°C. Saturate with DO by shaking in a partially filled bottle or by aerating with organic-free filtered air. Alternatively, store in cotton-plugged

<sup>\*</sup> Nitrification Inhibitor 2579-24 (2.2% TCMP), Hach Co., or equivalent.



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bottles long enough for water to become saturated with DO. Protect water quality by using clean glassware, tubing, and bottles.

Dilution water check: Use this procedure as a rough check on Lality of dilution water.

If the oxygen depletion of a candidate water exceeds 0.2 mg/L obtain a satisfactory water by improving purification or from another source. Alternatively, if nitrification inhibition is used, store the dilution water, seeded as prescribed below, in a darkened room at room temperature until the oxygen uptake is sufficiently reduced to meet the dilution-water check criteria. Check quality of stored dilution water on use, but do not add seed to dilution water stored for quality improvement. Storage is not recommended when BODs are to be determined without nitrification inhibition because nitrifying organisms may develop during storage. Check stored dilution water to determine whether sufficient ammonia remains after storage. If not, add ammonium chloride solution to provide a total of 0.45 mg ammonia/L as nitrogen. If dilution water has not been stored for quality improvement, add sufficient seeding material to produce a DO uptake of 0.05 to 0.1 mg/L in 5 d at 20°C. Incubate a BOD bottle full of dilution water for 5 d at 20°C. Determine initial and final DO as in \$s 4g and j. The DO uptake in 5 d at 20°C should not be more than 0.2 mg/L and preferably not more than 0.1 mg/L.

c. Glucose-glutamic acid check: Because the BOD test is a bioassay its results can be influenced greatly by the presence of toxicants or by use of a poor seeding material. Distilled waters frequently are contaminated with copper; some sewage seeds are relatively inactive. Low results always are obtained with such seeds and waters. Periodically check dilution water quality, seed effectiveness, and analytical technique by making BOD measents on pure organic compounds and samples with known ions. In general, for BOD determinations not requiring an adapted seed, use a mixture of 150 mg glucose/L and 150 mg glutamic acid/L as a "standard" check solution. Glucose has an exceptionally high and variable oxidation rate but when it is used with glutamic acid, the oxidation rate is stabilized and is similar to that obtained with many municipal wastes. Alternatively, if a particular wastewater contains an identifiable major constituent that contributes to the BOD, use this compound in place of the glucose-glutamic acid.

Determine the 5-d 20°C BOD of a 2% dilution of the glucose-glutamic acid standard check solution using the techniques outlined in ¶s 4d-j. Evaluate data as described in ¶ 6, Precision and Bias.

#### d. Seeding:

1) Seed source—It is necessary to have present a population of microorganisms capable of oxidizing the biodegradable organic matter in the sample. Domestic wastewater, unchlorinated or otherwise-undisinfected effluents from biological waste treatment plants, and surface waters receiving wastewater discharges contain satisfactory microbial populations. Some samples do not contain a sufficient microbial population (for example, some untreated industrial wastes, disinfected wastes, high-temperature wastes, or wastes with extreme pH values). For such wastes seed the dilution water by adding a population of microorganisms. The preferred seed is effluent from a biological treatment system processing the waste. Where this is not available, use supernatant from domestic wastewater after settling at room temperature for at least 1 h but no longer than 36 h. When effluent from a biological treatment process is used, inhibition of nitrification is mmended,

Some samples may contain materials not degraded at normal rates by the microorganisms in settled domestic wastewater. Seed such samples with an adapted microbial population obtained from the undisinfected effluent of a biological process treating the waste. In the absence of such a facility, obtain seed from the receiving water below (preferably 3 to 8 km) the point of discharge. When such seed sources also are not available, develop an adapted seed in the laboratory by continuously aerating a sample of settled domestic wastewater and adding small daily increments of waste. Optionally use a soil suspension or activated sludge, or a commercial seed preparation to obtain the initial microbial population. Determine the existence of a satisfactory population by testing the performance of the seed in BOD tests on the sample. BOD values that increase with time of adaptation to a steady high value indicate successful seed adaptation.

2) Seed control—Determine BOD of the seeding material as for any other sample. This is the *seed control*. From the value of the seed control and a knowledge of the seeding material dilution (in the dilution water) determine seed DO uptake. Ideally, make dilutions of seed such that the largest quantity results in at least 50% DO depletion. A plot of DO depletion, in milligrams per liter, versus milliters seed should present a straight line for which the slope indicates DO depletion per milliliter of seed. The DO-axis intercept is oxygen depletion caused by the dilution water and should be less than 0.1 mg/L (¶ 4h). To determine a sample DO uptake subtract seed DO uptake from total DO uptake. The DO uptake of seeded dilution water should be between 0.6 and 1.0 mg/L.

Techniques for adding seeding material to dilution water are described for two sample dilution methods ( $\P 4f$ ).

#### e. Sample pretreatment:

- 1) Samples containing caustic alkalinity or acidity—Neutralize samples to pH 6.5 to 7.5 with a solution of sulfuric acid (H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>) or sodium hydroxide (NaOH) of such strength that the quantity of reagent does not dilute the sample by more than 0.5%. The pH of seeded dilution water should not be affected by the lowest sample dilution.
- 2) Samples containing residual chlorine compounds—If possible, avoid samples containing residual chlorine by sampling ahead of chlorination processes. If the sample has been chlorinated but no detectable chlorine residual is present, seed the dilution water. If residual chlorine is present, dechlorinate sample and seed the dilution water (¶ 4f). Do not test chlorinated/ dechlorinated samples without seeding the dilution water. In some samples chlorine will dissipate within 1 to 2 h of standing in the light. This often occurs during sample transport and handling. For samples in which chlorine residual does not dissipate in a reasonably short time, destroy chlorine residual by adding Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub> solution. Determine required volume of Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub> solution on a 100- to 1000-mL portion of neutralized sample by adding 10 mL of 1 + 1 acetic acid or 1 + 50 H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, 10 mL potassium iodide (KI) solution (10 g/100 mL) per 1000 mL portion, and titrating with Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub> solution to the starch-iodine end point for residual. Add to neutralized sample the relative volume of Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub> solution determined by the above test, mix, and after 10 to 20 min check sample for residual chlorine. (Note: Excess Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub> exerts an oxygen demand and reacts slowly with certain organic chloramine compounds that may be present in chlorinated samples.)
- 3) Samples containing other toxic substances—Certain industrial wastes, for example, plating wastes, contain toxic metals. Such samples often require special study and treatment.

4) Samples supersaturated with DO—Samples containing more than 9 mg DO/ L at 20°C may be encountered in cold waters or in water where photosynthesis occurs. To prevent loss of oxygen during incubation of such samples, reduce DO to saturation at

°C by bringing sample to about 20°C in partially filled bottle while agitating by vigorous shaking or by aerating with clean, filtered compressed air.

- 5) Sample temperature adjustment—Bring samples to 20 ± 1°C before making dilutions.
- 6) Nitrification inhibition—If nitrification inhibition is desired add 3 mg 2-chloro-6-(trichloro methyl) pyridine (TCMP) to each 300-mL bottle before capping or add sufficient amounts to the dilution water to make a final concentration of 10 mg/L. (Note: Pure TCMP may dissolve slowly and can float on top of the sample. Some commercial formulations dissolve more readily but are not 100% TCMP; adjust dosage accordingly.) Samples that may require nitrification inhibition include, but are not limited to, biologically treated effluents, samples seeded with biologically treated effluents, and river waters. Note the use of nitrogen inhibition in reporting results.
- f. Dilution technique: Dilutions that result in a residual DO of at least 1 mg/L and a DO uptake of at least 2 mg/L after 5 d incubation produce the most reliable results. Make several dilutions of prepared sample to obtain DO uptake in this range. Experience with a particular sample will permit use of a smaller number of dilutions. A more rapid analysis, such as COD, may be correlated approximately with BOD and serve as a guide in selecting dilutions. In the absence of prior knowledge, use the following dilutions: 0.0 to 1.0% for strong industrial wastes, 1 to 5% for raw and settled wastewater, 5 to 25% for biologically treated effluent, and 25 to 100% for polluted river waters.

Prepare dilutions either in graduated cylinders and then transto BOD bottles or prepare directly in BOD bottles. Either ullution method can be combined with any DO measurement technique. The number of bottles to be prepared for each dilution depends on the DO technique and the number of replicates desired.

When using graduated cylinders to prepare dilutions, and when seeding is necessary, add seed either directly to dilution water or to individual cylinders before dilution. Seeding of individual cylinders avoids a declining ratio of seed to sample as increasing dilutions are made. When dilutions are prepared directly in BOD bottles and when seeding is necessary, add seed directly to dilution water or directly to the BOD bottles.

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- 1) Dilutions prepared in graduated cylinders—If the azide modification of the titrimetric iodometric method (Section 4500-O.C) is used, carefully siphon dilution water, seeded if necessary, into a 1- to 2-L-capacity graduated cylinder. Fill cylinder half full without entraining air. Add desired quantity of carefully mixed sample and dilute to appropriate level with dilution water. Mix well with a plunger-type mixing rod; avoid entraining air. Siphon mixed dilution into two BOD bottles. Determine initial DO on one of these bottles. Stopper the second bottle tightly, water-seal, and incubate for 5 d at 20°C. If the membrane electrode method is used for DO measurement, siphon dilution mixture into one BOD bottle. Determine initial DO on this bottle and replace any displaced contents with sample dilution to fill the bottle. Stopper tightly, water-seal, and incubate for 5 d at 20°C.
- 2) Dilutions prepared directly in BOD bottles—Using a widen volumetric pipet, add the desired sample volume to individual

BOD bottles of known capacity. Add appropriate amounts of seed material to the individual BOD bottles or to the dilution water. Fill bottles with enough dilution water, seeded if necessary, so that insertion of stopper will displace all air, leaving no bubbles. For dilutions greater than 1:100 make a primary dilution in a graduated cylinder before making final dilution in the bottle. When using titrimetric iodometric methods for DO measurement, prepare two bottles at each dilution. Determine initial DO on one bottle. Stopper second bottle tightly, water-seal, and incubate for 5 d at 20°C. If the membrane electrode method is used for DO measurement, prepare only one BOD bottle for each dilution. Determine initial DO on this bottle and replace any displaced contents with dilution water to fill the bottle. Stopper tightly, water-seal, and incubate for 5 d at 20°C. Rinse DO electrode between determinations to prevent cross-contamination of samples.

g. Determination of initial DO: If the sample contains materials that react rapidly with DO, determine initial DO immediately after filling BOD bottle with diluted sample. If rapid initial DO uptake is insignificant, the time period between preparing dilution and measuring initial DO is not critical.

Use the azide modification of the iodometric method (Section 4500-O.C) or the membrane electrode method (Section 4500-O.G) to determine initial DO on all sample dilutions, dilution water blanks, and where appropriate, seed controls.

h. Dilution water blank: Use a dilution water blank as a rough check on quality of unseeded dilution water and cleanliness of incubation bottles. Together with each batch of samples incubate a bottle of unseeded dilution water. Determine initial and final DO as in \$\$4g\$ and \$j\$. The DO uptake should not be more than 0.2 mg/L and preferably not more than 0.1 mg/L.

i. Incubation: Incubate at  $20^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 1^{\circ}\text{C}$  BOD bottles containing desired dilutions, seed controls, dilution water blanks, and glucose-glutamic acid checks. Water-seal bottles as described in ¶ 4f.

j. Determination of final DO: After 5 d incubation determine DO in sample dilutions, blanks, and checks as in  $\P 4g$ .

#### 5. Calculation

When dilution water is not seeded:

$$BOD_5, mg/L = \frac{D_1 - D_2}{P}$$

When dilution water is seeded:

BOD<sub>5</sub>, mg/L = 
$$\frac{(D_1 - D_2) - (B_1 - B_2) f}{P}$$

where

 $D_1 = DO$  of diluted sample immediately after preparation, mg/L,

 $D_2 = DO$  of diluted sample after 5 d incubation at 20°C, mg/L,

P = decimal volumetric fraction of sample used,

 $B_1 = DO$  of seed control before incubation, mg/L (¶ 4d),

 $B_7 = DO$  of seed control after incubation mg/L (¶ 4d), and

f = ratio of seed in diluted sample to seed in seed control = (% seed in diluted sample)/(% seed in seed control).

If seed material is added directly to sample or to seed control bottles:

f = (volume of seed in diluted sample)/(volume of seed in seed control)

Report results as CBOD<sub>s</sub> if nitrification is inhibited.

If more than one sample dilution meets the criteria of a residual DC at least 1 mg/L and a DO depletion of at least 2 mg/L m re is no evidence of toxicity at higher sample concentrations or the existence of an obvious anomaly, average results in the acceptable range.

In these calculations, do not make corrections for DO uptake by the dilution water blank during incubation. This correction is innecessary if dilution water meets the blank criteria stipulated above. If the dilution water does not meet these criteria, proper corrections are difficult and results become questionable.

#### 3. Precision and Bias

There is no measurement for establishing bias of the BOD procedure. The glucose-glutamic acid check prescribed in  $\P$  4c s intended to be a reference point for evaluation of dilution vater quality, seed effectiveness, and analytical technique. Single-aboratory tests using a 300-mg/L mixed glucose-glutamic acid solution provided the following results:

Number of months: 14
Number of triplicates: 421
Average monthly recovery: 204 mg/L
Average monthly standard deviation: 10.4 mg/L

In a series of interlaboratory studies, each involving 2 to 112 aboratories (and as many analysts and seed sources), 5-d BOD neasurements were made on synthetic water samples containing a 1:1 mixture of glucose and glutamic acid in the total concentration range of 3.3 to 231 mg/L. The regression equations for value,  $\overline{X}$ , and standard deviation, S, from these studies were:

 $\overline{X}$  = 0.658 (added level, mg/L) + 0.280 mg/L S = 0.100 (added level, mg/L) + 0.547 mg/L

For the 300-mg/L mixed primary standard, the average 5-d BOD would be 198 mg/L with a standard deviation of 30.5 mg/L.

a. Control limits: Because of many factors affecting BOD tests in multilaboratory studies and the resulting extreme variability in test results, one standard deviation, as determined by inter-

laboratory tests, is recommended as a control limit for individual laboratories. Alternatively, for each laboratory, establish its control limits by performing a minimum of 25 glucose-glutamic acid checks (§ 4c) over a period of several weeks or months and calculating the mean and standard deviation. Use the mean  $\pm$  3 standard deviations as the control limit for future glucose-glutamic acid checks. Compare calculated control limits to the single-laboratory tests presented above and to interlaboratory results. If control limits are outside the range of 198  $\pm$  30.5, reevaluate the control limits and investigate source of the problem. If measured BOD for a glucose-glutamic acid check is outside the accepted control limit range, reject tests made with that seed and dilution water.

b. Working range and detection limit: The working range is equal to the difference between the maximum initial DO (7 to 9 mg L) and minimum DO residual of 1 mg/L multiplied by the dilution factor. A lower detection limit of 2 mg/L is established by the requirement for a minimum DO depletion of 2 mg/L.

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### 5210 C. Ultimate BOD Test (PROPOSED)

#### 1. General Discussion

The ultimate BOD test is an extension of the 5-d dilution BOD test as described in 5210B but with a number of specific test requirements and differences in application. The user should be familiar with the 5210B procedure before conducting tests for UBOD.

a. Principle: The method consists of placing a single sample dilution in full, airtight bottles and incubating under specified conditions for an extended period depending on wastewater, efficient, river, or estuary quality. Dissolved oxygen (DO) is med (with probes) initially and intermittently during the test. From the DO versus time series, UBOD is calculated by

an appropriate statistical technique. For improved accuracy, run tests in triplicate.

Bottle size and incubation time are flexible to accommodate individual sample characteristics and laboratory limitations. Incubation temperature, however, is 20°C. Most effluents and some naturally occurring surface waters contain materials with oxygen demands exceeding the DO available in air-saturated water. Therefore, it is necessary either to dilute the sample or to monitor DO frequently to ensure that low DO or anaerobic conditions do not occur. When DO concentrations approach 2 mg/L, the sample should be reaerated.

Because bacterial growth requires nutrients such as nitrogen, phosphorus, and trace metals, the necessary amounts may be

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		27/0mg/ SUSPENDEL		<u>-</u>
	INF	LUENT	EFFLUE	NT I
	JRS TOTAL	VOLATTLE	TOTAL JRG	VOLATILE
VOL	(50 ML)	:	(100 mb)	
DRY WT.	42040	142060	419 20 ×10-59/1	
TARE WT.	41580	41400	41850	
SUSPENDED	96	· · ·	70	
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	10,0048 9 = 4.81	mg x 20= SUSPENDED	SOLDS 20,00079 = 0	.7mg x 10=7 mg/L
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	TOTAL	VOLATILE	TOTAL EFFLUER	VOLATILE
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	TOTAL	سر د		VOLATILE
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DRY WT.	TOTAL  TOTAL  43630  41440  438  DRYING OVEN	VOLATILE FECAL/BATH	BOD INCU.	VOLATILE
DRY WT.	43630 41440 438	VOLATILE	TOTAL	VOLATTIE
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Location: <u>Co</u>	lumbia Ave. WWTP	Reported by: SM3/
time start:	•	time end:
	<del></del>	
<u>Base Data</u>		Secondary System
sampling	12-9-98 date	# of Clarif Z on line
inf. flow	m.g.d.	sec. clarif. b.o.dmg/l
eff. flow	m.g.d.	sec. clarif.t.smg/l
inf. p.h.	unit's	sludge blanket 15/24 inches
inf. b.o.d.	mg/l	-
inf. t.s.s.	mg/l	
inf. v.s.s.	mg/l	
inf. temp	deg. c.	Solid's Handling
eff. p.h.	unit's	actual wastingm.g.d.
eff. d.o.	mg/l	# of p.s.d.ton line
eff. b.o.d.	mg/l	p.s.d.t. tempdeg. c.
eff. t.s.s.	mg/l	p.s.d.t. p.hunit's
eff. fecal	#/100ml	p.s.d.t. t.s.s%
eff. turbidity	ntu's	p.s.d.t. v.s.s%
		supernatem.g.d.
<u>Aeration Syst</u>	<del>z</del> W	wasting 3 <u>2766</u> 223
# of bay's	1	32762364
r.a.s. conc.		38 <u>59</u>
r.a.s. v.s.s.		digester d.o.
r.a.s. flow		bank <u>l</u>
m.l.s.s.	<del></del>	intensity $6.7$
m.l.v.s.s.		hour <u>47175</u>
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basin temp.		intensity 3.2
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START DATE:

STOP DATE:

TIME:

Set Up By:

TIME:

Taken off By:

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	BOTTLE NO.	SAMPLE VOLUME ML	DILLUTION RATIO (a)	INITIAL DO	FINAL DO	DO DEPLETION	BOD (b)	AVERAGE BOD	Do 30D	
Influent						لاستكجير			DEPL MYIL	_
Dillusion No. 1	32	3 _	101	8,49	8.20	> 100 -	) >		0.29 ×100=2	9 _
Dillution No. 3	33	6	50.5	8.46	8.03				0.43 ×50=2 AVG=2	1.5
Final Effluent				2 311		72			1.84 ×5=9	2
Dillution No. 1	29	60	5.05	8.34	6:50	Le. 7.	8		_/.	;
Diffution No. 2	3	80	3.7875	8.25	7.85	5.0 -	<b>,</b> , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		0.4 × 3.75=1	<u> </u>
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	211			8.49		10 50	D	71	3.48 × 3000=10 5.89 × 1500=8	7440
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Blank No. 2		•								L
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Notes: (a) Dillution Ratio =

Sample Vol. ml

SHOULD BE 300 INL

(b) BOD =

Dillution Ratio x DO Deplation

BOD BENCH SHE

STO 12-17-98

TIME:

STOP DATE:

12-22-98

DWS

TIME:

Taken off By:

JRS NOTES

0.48x3.75=1.8 AVG = 1.9

		BOTTLE NO.	SAMPLE VOLUME ML	DILLUTION RATIO (a)	INITIAL DO	FINAL DO	DO DEPLETION	· BOD (b)	AVERAGE BOD
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Dillution	Mo.1	. 12	60	5.05	8.06	!	2.0		
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Stian!	n No 2								
Dillution		SAMPLE	0,1	3030					
Digest	er Supernatant		0.2	1515					
Dilluhor		_							
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Notes: (a) Dillution Ratio =

303 Sample Vol. ml

300 mb

(b) <sup>1</sup>800 ∈

Dillution Ratio x DO Depletion

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Location: <u>Co</u>	<u>lumbia Ave. WWTP</u>	Reported by	:5M5/	
time start:	<del></del>	time end:		
Base Data		Secondary S	vstem	
sampling	12-17-98 date	# of Clarif		on line
inf. flow	m.g.d.	sec. clarif. b	.o.d.	mg/l
eff. flow	m.g.d.	sec. clarif.t.s	;	mg/l
inf. p.h.	unit's	sludge blank	et	inches
inf. b.o.d.	mg/l			
inf. t.s.s.	mg/l			
inf. v.s.s.	mg/l			
inf. temp	deg. c.	<u>Solid</u>	<u>'s Handli</u>	ng
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eff. t.s.s.	mg/l	p.s.d.t. p.h.	l	ınit's
eff. fecal	#/100ml.	p.s.d.t. t.s.s.		V <sub>0</sub>
eff. turbidity	ntu's	p.s.d.t. v.s.s.		%
		supernate	I	n.g.d.
Aeration Syste	<u>em</u>	wasting	3281833	
# of bay's			3280395	4
r.a.s. conc.				
r.a.s. v.s.s.		digester d.o.		
r.a.s. flow		bank	1	
m.l.s.s.	. <i>-</i>	intensity	7,3	
m.l.v.s.s.		hour	4736	<del>}</del>
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## City of Scappoose

### Wastwater Treatnemt Plant Laboratory Analysis

te: <u>/</u> 7/ /7	198		Duty Op.	sms/
	INFLUENT	EFFLUENT	W A S SETTING	TIME
FINAL	207018101	53493671	Min. ON 3	
INITIAL	19903283	53033348	Min. OFF 57	
TOTAL MGD	799	14100	_	
		AERATION B	ASIN MLSS	
	TOTAL	<u>VOLATILE</u>	TOTAL	YOLATILE
VOL			i	
SETT.	430	,		
DRY WT.	45030	45030	45,640	
TARE WT.	41500	4240.0	41610	
MLSS	3530	2630	4030	19
		SUSPENDEI	SOLDS	
	IN	FLUENT	EFFLUEN	
	TOTAL	YOLATILE	TOTAL	YOLATILE
VOL		<u> </u>		
DRY WT.	42080	142080	141570	
TARE WT.	4/670	41680	1 4/560	
SUSPENDED	82	<u> </u>	10:0	·
		SUSPENDEL	SOLDS	
	STIENFELD	77.07.4-77.7	EFFLUE	(T
	TOTAL	VQLATILE	TOTAL	VOLATILE
VOL.		[		
DRY WT.	(1)	!		
TARE WT.	4930	,		-
SUSPENDED		i '	:	
	DRYING OVEN TEMP.	FECAL/BATH TEMP.	BOD INCU.	OTHER
	LEWIF.	I LAYLY.	TEMP.	<u></u>
	METTLER BAL	INF.	EFF.	OTHER
	ТЕМР.	· TEMP.	. TEMP.	
Fecal		<u> </u>	TAP 10.107	

CITY OF SCAPPOOSE WASTEWATER FACILITY Iwgty **BOD BENCH SHEET** 9-24-99 START 9-24-99 STOP DATE: DATE INCORRECT PROCEDURE 9:15 Am 9:00 nm TIME: TIME Duss DWS Taken off By. Set tip By N=ED GLUTAMIC ACID CHECK INITIAL FINAL DO BOD (b) **AVERAGE** SAMPLE DILLUTION BOTTLE BOO VOLUME υo DEPLETION RATIO (a) NO. ML Final Effluent 5,2+1.4=6.6= 2.0 60 Diffution No. F 6.4 Aug - 7.3 80 3 75 Dillution tin 2 18 3 100 Dillullan No. 3 nfluent 21 100 Dillution No. 1 290: 25 50 Dillulian Ha 7 Ч 30 Diffiction No. 3 SHOULD BE 0.6 TO Img/L NOTED MULTIPLE Seed 2 ml 1.4 . 8.5 45. 150 Dillion Hp. 1 Dillahon No. 2 Stianlids 8.5 5.5 9000 DILUTIONS 51 3000 Odioten No. 1 9000 2.6 70 0.2 Dillution No 2 Digester Supernatant Detelion No. 1 Offlution No. 1 Blank 10,2 OK 8.5 8.6 +11 - - 0.1 BUT SHOULD NOT BE NEGATIVE Blank No. 1 Illank Ho 2 8.5-8.6= -0.1 colonies Fecal > ml 300 Notes (a) Dillution Ratio = Sample Vol. ml 10 25 Dillution Ratio x DO Depletion (b) BOD = 50 14 09 24/100 ml 100 **EXHIBIT** 200 C 1123H3\PW/FORMS\WWBOD 300

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Effluent Meter Calibration Cla TANK 30H reading End. 71459 631 17593921

### CITY OF SCAPPOOSE

Operational Data Submittal

DECEMBER 1998

POPULATION EQUIVALENT:

3,384

DESIGN POPULATION:

DISCHARGE TO:

19,624

D.E.Q.

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**NORTHWEST REGION** 

DEPT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

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Plant Manager:

Lelephone No.

Facility Name:

Adress:

Date:

Steve Wabschall

08-Jan-99

(503) 543-7184

Columbia Ave. Plant

34485 Columbia Ave

Scappoose, OR 97056

INFLUENT	Avg.	Min.	Max.	Permit Limit	Design Avg.	Design Max.	No. of Times Exceeded	•		% of Loading
PLOW MGD pH BOD FSS	78	0 443	7.00	2,000 6,50 400	400	500				6 90% 10.66%

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COMMENTS:

I certify under the penalty if law that I have personal examines and am familiar with information submitted herein and based on my inquire of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information I believe the submitted information is true pecurate and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information including the possibility of fine and imprisonment.

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ţ	1998	11414.	EFF	PH	IJOD MG/L	TSS SOLIDS	voi." souids	TEMP	Pİİ	DÕ MG/L	BOD MG/L	REM	LDS BOD DISC.	S.S. MG/L	% S.S. REM		FECAL COUNT	No UV No UV	DEU4 ÑA	
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# CITY OF SCAPPOOSE CONTRACT LABORATORY

**ANALYSIS** 

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## Wastewater Analysis by AMTEST Laboratory

## City of Scappoose lab result's

Date	B.O.D.ppm <u>Inf.</u>	B.O.D.ppm Eff.	Fecal	T.S.S.ppm. Inf.	T.S.S.ppm. Eff.
9/17/99	320	N/D<4		316	5
10/12/99			4	348	6
10/28/99			8	830	8
11/24/99			280	222	10
12/02/99			500	382	7
12/16/99	90	N/D<4	•	138	18
12/30/99			23		
01/13/00			2	410	4
01/20/00		N/D<4	2	160	4
01/24/00	310	N/D<4		244	5
01/26/00	200	N/D<4		156	2
01/27/00	340	N/D<4	2	224	2
02/03/00		3	2	128	4
02/10/00			2	170	3
02/17/00		4	2	292	4
02/24/00			2	398	4
02/29/00	300	3	2	194	3
03/02/00	270	7	2	332	4
03/09/00	250	N/D<2	2	500	4
03/16/00	57	2	2	148	3
03/23/00			2	230	6
03/29/00	460	8	2	668	2
04/06/00	250	N/D<2	2	276 .	6
04/13/00	470	N/D<2	2	130	2
04/20/00	450	N/D<2	2	194	5
04/27/00	260	N/D<2	4	368	4
05/04/00	380	N/D<2	2	180	4
05/11/00	170	6	2	124	3
05/13/00	470	N/D<2		0.60	я
05/18/00	250	N/D<2	2	268	7
05/22/00	180	N/D<2	•	294	3
05/24/00	370	2	2	526	2 3
05/25/00	220	N/D<2 N/D<2	2 2	184	5
06/1/00	160	2	2	304 309	4
06/6/00 06/8/00	1300 510	4	2	546	3
06/8/00	890	18	Z	250	4
06/22/00	180	N/D<2	2	240	6
			2	214	2
06/30/00	330	2			
07/3/00	220	5		144	2
07/5/00	380	8		100	2
07/6/00	230	N/A	2	100	1
7/11/00	220	N/D<2		374	7
7/13/00	210	3	2	162	5
7/20/00	290	N/D<2	2	180	4
7/27/00	150	N/D<2	2	200	6

### City of Scappoose lab result's Wastewater Analysis by AMTEST Laboratory B.O.D.ppm T.S.S.ppm. Date B.O.D.ppm Fecal T.S.S.ppm. Eff. Inf. Eff. <u>Inf.</u> 8/3/00 N/D<2 8/7/00 8/9/00 N/D<2 8/10/00 8/15/00 N/D<28/17/00 8/24/00 9/1/00 9/3/00 9/7/00 9/14/00 9/21/00 9/28/00 10/5/00 · 7 10/12/00 10/25/00 <u>2</u> 10/26/00 Total Samples 49

Average: Effluent B.O.D. 24 samples N/D (None Detected) Laboratory Reporting Limit 2ppm., 28 sample with reading's

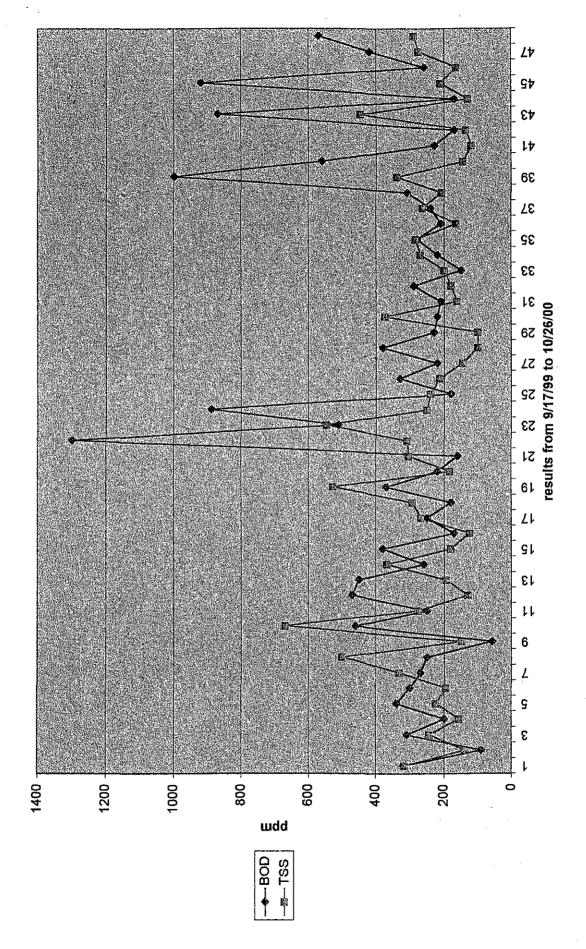
<sup>4.2</sup> ppm. average effluent B.O.D.

<sup>4.3</sup> ppm. average effluent T.S.S

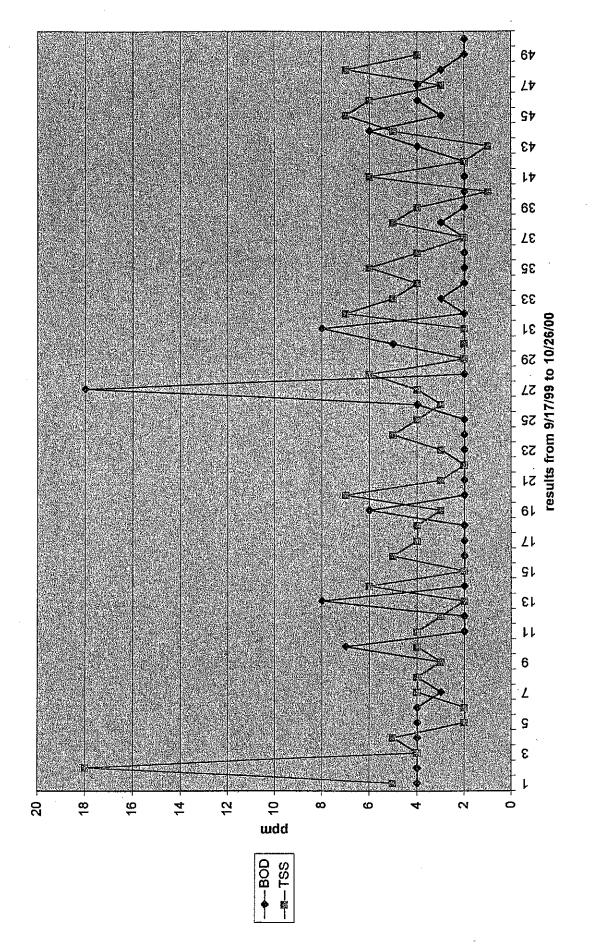
<sup>358</sup> ppm average influent B.O.D.

<sup>264</sup> ppm. average influent T.S.S.

Wastewater Influent Analysis



Wastewater Effluent Analysis



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**ANALYSIS REPORT** 

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City of Scappoose P.O. Box P

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Phone: 503-543-5679

Sampled by: Steve Smith Sample Type: Waste Water

Date Reported: 11/1/00

Date Sampled: 10/26/00 7:30a

Date Received: 10/26/00

Job Number: 00299/17-18

		-		Laboratory
Client Identification	า	Influent	Effluent	Reporting
Lab Number		00300/33	00300/34	Limit
Analysis	Method	Results	Results	
		mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
B.O.D.	405.1	570	2	2

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Date Reported: 10/26/00

Date Sampled: 10/25/00 7:30a

Date Received: 10/25/00

Job Number: 00299/17-18

Phone: 503-543-5679

Sampled by: Steve Smith Sample Type: Waste Water

Client Identification		Influent	Effluent	Laboratory Reporting
Lab Number		00299/17	00299/18	Limit
Analysis	Method	Results	Results	
•		mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
B.O.D.	405.1	420	2	2

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Date Reported: 10/23/00

Date Sampled: 10/12/00 7:30a

Date Received: 10/12/00 Job Number: 00286/32-33

Phone: 503-543-7183

Sample Type: Waste Water Sampled by: Steve Smith

Client Identification		Influent	Effluent	Laboratory Reporting
Lab Number		00286/32	00286/33	Limit
Analysis	Method	Results	Results	
		mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
B.O.D.	405.1	260	3	2

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Date Reported: 10/17/00

Date Received: 10/5/00

Date Sampled: 10/5/00 7:30a

Job Number: 00279/36-37

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Phone: 503-543-5679

Sample Type: Waste Water Sampled by: Steve Smith

Client Identification		Influent	Effluent	Laboratory Reporting
Lab Number		00279/36	00279/37	Limit
Analysis	Method	Results mg/L;ppm	Results mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
Biochemical Oxygen Demand	405.1	920	4	2

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Date Reported: 10/6/00

Date Sampled: 9/28/00 7:30a

Date Received: 9/28/00

Job Number: 00272/12-13

Phone: 503-543-5679

Sampled by: Steve Wabschall Sample Type: Waste Water

Client Identification		influent	Effluent	Laboratory Reporting
Lab Number		00272/12	00272/13	Limit
Analysis	Method	<b>Hesults</b> mg/L;ppm	Results mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
B.O.D.	405.1	170	4	2

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Sampled by: Steve Wabschall Sample Type: Waste Water

Date Reported:	10/3/00
Date Sampled:	9/21/00 7a
Date Received:	9/21/00
Job Number:	00265/49-50

Client Identification		Influent	Effluent	Laboratory Reporting
Lab Number		00265/49	00265/50	Limit
Analysis	Method	Results mg/L;ppm	Results mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
B.O <sub>x</sub> D.	405.1	870	3	. 2

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Date Reported: 9/21/00

Date Received: 9/14/00

Date Sampled: 9/14/00 7am

Job Number: 00258/53-54

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Sample Type: Waste Water Sampled by: Steve Smith

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Client Identification		Influent	Effluent	Reporting
Lab Number		00258/53	00258/54	Limit
Analysis	Method	Results	Results	
		mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
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Biochemical Oxygen Dem	and 405.1	170	6	2

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Phone: 503-543-5679

Sampled by: Steve Wabschall Sample Type: Waste Water

Date Reported: 9/14/00

Date Sampled: 9/7/00 8:30a

Date Received: 9/7/00

Job Number: 00251/36-37

Client Identification	l	influent	Effluent	Laboratory Reporting
Lab Number		00251/36	00251/37	Limit
Analysis	Method	Results mg/L;ppm	Results mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
В.О.О.	405.1	230	4	2

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Date Reported: 8/31/00

Date Sampled: 8/24/00 8a Date Received: 8/24/00

Job Number: 00237/24-25

Phone: 503-543-7183

Sample Type: Waste Water Sampled by: Steve Smith

		Sampler	U.V. Channel	Laboratory
Client Identification		Influent	Effluent	Reporting
Lab Number		00237/24	00237/25	Limit_
Analysis	Method	Results	Results	
		mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
B.O.D.	405.1	560	2	2

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Date Reported: 8/23/00

Date Sampled: 8/17/00 7a Date Received: 8/17/00

Job Number: 00230/12-13

Phone: 503-543-7183

System: Wastewater Plant Sample Type: Waste Water

Client Identification		Inflüent Sampler	U.V. Channel Effluent	Laboratory Reporting
Lab Number		00230/12	00230/13	Limit
Analysis	Method	Results mg/L;ppm	Results mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
Biochemical Oxygen Demi	and 405.1	1,000	2	2

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Date Reported: 8/21/00

Date Sampled: 8/15/00 Date Received: 8/15/00

Job Number: 00228/23-24

Phone: 503-543-5679

Sampled by: Steve Wabschall

Sampled Location: Steinfeld's Pre-Treatment

Sample Type: Waste Water

				Laboratory
Client Identification		Influent	Effluent	Reporting
Lab Number		00228/23	00228/24	Limit
Analysis	Method	Results	Results	
,		mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
B.O.D.	405.1	310	ND	2

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Sampled by: Steve Wabschall Sample Type: Waste Water

Date Reported: 8/17/00

Date Sampled: 8/10/00 10:30A

Date Received: 8/10/00

Job Number: 00223/19-20

Client Identification	n	Influent	Effluent	Laboratory Reporting
Lab Number		00223/19	00223/20	Limit
Analysis	Method	Results mg/L;ppm	Results mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
B.O.D.	405.1	240	ND	2

ND = None Detected

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N T Date Reported: 8/15/00

Date Sampled: 8/9/00 9:30a

Date Received: 8/9/00

Job Number: 00222/11-12

Phone: 503-543-5679

Sampled by: Steve Wabschall Sample Type: Waste Water

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Client Identification		Influent	Effluent	Laboratory Reporting
Lab Number		00222/11	00222/12	Limit
Analysis	Method	Results mg/L;ppm	Results mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
B.O.D.	405.1	210	3	2

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Date Reported: 8/15/00 Date Sampled: 8/7/00 Date Received: 8/7/00

Job Number: 00220/01-02

Phone: 503-543-5679

Sample Type: Waste Water

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Client Identification		Influent	Effluent	Reporting
Lab Number		00220/01	00220/02	Limit
Analysis	Method	Results	Results	
		mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm	mg/L)ppm
B.O.D.	405.1	280	<b>2</b>	2

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Phone: 503-543-5679

Sample Type: Waste Water

Date Reported: 8/9/00 Date Sampled: 8/3/00 Date Received: 8/3/00 Job Number: 00216/46-47

Client Identification Lab Number		Influent 00216/46	Effluent 00216/47	Laboratory Reporting Limit
Analysis	Method	Results mg/L;ppm	Results mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
B.O.D.	405.1	220	NĎ	2

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Date Reported: 8/3/00

Date Sampled: 7/27/00 7a Date Received: 7/27/00

Job Number: 00209/34,40

Phone: 503-543-7183

Sample Type: Waste Water Sampled by: Steve Smith

Client Identification		Influent	Effluent	Reporting
Lab Number		00209/34	00209/40	Limit
Analysis	Method	Results mg/L;ppm	Results mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
B.O.D.	405.1	150	ND	. 2

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Date Reported: 7/27/00

Date Sampled: 7/20/00 7a

Date Received: 7/20/00

Job Number: 00202/56-57

Phone: 503-543-5679

Sample Type: Waste Water Sampled by: Steve Smith

Laboratory Reporting Client Identification Influent **Effluent** Lab Number 00202/56 Limit 00202/57 Analysis Method Results Results mg/L;ppm mg/L;ppm mg/L;ppm

Biochemical Oxygen Demand 405.1 290 ND 2

ND = None Detected

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Date Reported: 7/19/00 Date Sampled: 7/13/00 7a Date Received: 7/13/00 Job Number: 00195/17-18

Phone: 503-543-7183

Sample Type: Waste Water Sampled by: Steve Smith

Client Identification		lafla o = 4	Cellerand	Laboratory
Client Identification		Influent	Effluent	Reporting
Lab Number		00195/17	00195/18	Limit
Analysis	Method	Results	Results	
		mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
B.O.D.	405.1	210	3	2

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Date Reported: 7/19/00

Date Sampled: 7/11/00 7a

Date Received: 7/12/00

Job Number: 00194/01-02

Phone: 503-543-7183

Sample Type: Waste Water Sampled by: Steve Smith

				Laboratory
Client Identification		Influent	Effluent	Reporting
Lab Number	_	00194/01	00194/02	Limit_
Analysis	Method	Results	Results	
		mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm

B.O.D. 405.1 **220 ND** 2

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Date Reported: 7/19/00 Date Sampled: 7/6/00 9a

Date Received: 7/6/00

Job Number: 00188/23-24

Phone: 503-543-7183

Sample Type: Waste Water Sampled by: Steve Wabschall

Client Identification		Influent	Effluent	Reporting
Lab Number		00188/23	00188/24	Limit
Analysis	Method	Results mg/L;ppm	Results mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
B.O.D.	405.1	230	N/A	2

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Date Reported: 7/10/00

Date Received: 7/5/00

Date Sampled: 7/5/00 9a

Job Number: 00187/29-30

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Sample Type: Waste Water Sampled by: Steve Wabschall

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Client Identification		influent	Effluent	Reporting
Lab Number		00187/29	00187/30	Limit
Analysis	Method	Results	Results	
		mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
B,O,D.	405.1	380	8	2

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N T Date Reported: 7/10/00 Date Sampled: 7/3/00 9a Date Received: 7/3/00

Job Number: 00185/05-06

Phone: 503-543-7183

Sample Type: Waste Water Sampled by: Steve Wabschall

				Laboratory
Client Identification		Influent	Effluent	Reporting
Lab Number		00185/05	00185/06	Limit
Analysis	Method	Results	Results	
		mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
B.O.D.	405.1	220	5	9

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Date Reported: 7/7/00

Date Sampled: 6/30/00 7a

Date Received: 6/30/00

Job Number: 00182/27-28

Phone: 503-543-7183

Sample Type: Waste Water Sampled by: Darryl Sykes

Client Identification		Influent	Effluent	Laboratory Reporting
Lab Number	_	00182/27	00182/28	Limit
Analysis	Method	Results	Results	
		mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
B.O.D.	405.1	330	2	2

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Date Reported: 6/30/00 Date Sampled: 6/22/00 7a Date Received: 6/22/00

Job Number: 00174/20-21

Phone: 503-543-7183

Sample Type: Waste Water Sampled by: Steve Smith

Client Identification		Influent	Effluent	Reporting
Lab Number		00174/20	00174/21	Limit
Analysis	Method	Results mg/L;ppm	Results mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
B.O.D.	405.1	180	ND	2

ND = None Detected

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Date Reported: 6/22/00 Date Sampled: 6/15/00 7a Date Received: 6/15/00

Job Number: 00167/45-46

Phone: 503-543-7183

Sample Type: Waste Water Sampled by: Steve Smith

Client Identification Lab Number		<b>Influent</b> 00167/45	<b>Effluent</b> 00167/46	Reporting Limit
Analysis	Method	Results mg/L;ppm	Results mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
B.O.D.	405.1	890	<b>18</b>	2

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Date Reported: 6/20/00 Date Sampled: 6/8/00 7a Date Received: 6/8/00

Job Number: 00160/29-30

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Phone: 503-543-7183

Sample Type: Waste Water Sampled by: Steve Smith

Client Identification		Influent	Effluent	Laboratory Reporting
Lab Number		00160/29	00160/30	Limit
Analysis	Method	Results	Results	
•		mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
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Sampled by: Steve Smith Sample Type: Waste Water

Date Reported: 6/16/00

Date Sampled: 6/6/00 7a

Date Received: 6/6/00

Job Number: 00158/29-30

Client Identification		Influent	Effluent	Laboratory Reporting
Lab Number		00158/29	00158/30	Limit
Analysis '	Method	Results	Results	
		mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
B.O.D.	405.1	1,300	2	2

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Date Reported: 6/8/00 Date Sampled: 6/1/00 7a Date Received: 6/1/00

Job Number: 00153/18-19

Phone: 503-543-5679

Sampled by: Steve Smith Sample Type: Waste Water

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Client Identification		Influent	Effluent	Reporting
Lab Number		00153/18	00153/19	Limit
Analysis	Method	Results	Results	,
		mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
· B.O.D.	405.1	160	ND	2

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Date Reported: 6/1/00

Date Sampled: 5/25/00 7A

Date Received: 5/25/00

Job Number: 00146/30-31

Phone: 503-543-5679

Sample Type: Waste Water

Sampler: Steve Smith

Laboratory Influent Client Identification Effluent : Reporting Lab Number 00146/30 00146/31 Limit Results Results Analysis Method mg/L;ppm mg/L;ppm

220 405.1 ND B.O.D. Fecal Coliform SM9221E ND 2/100mls

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Date Reported: 6/1/00 Date Sampled: 5/24/00

Date Received: 5/24/00

Job Number: 00145/03-04

Phone: 503-543-7183

Sample Type: Waste Water Sampled by: Steve Smith

				Laboratory
Client Identification	•	Influent	Effluent	Reporting
Lab Number		00145/03	00145/04	Limit
Analysis	Method	Results	Results	
		mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
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B.O.D.	405.1	370	2	9

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N T Date Reported: 6/1/00
Date Sampled: 5/22/00 7a

Date Received: 5/22/00

Job Number: 00143/03-04

Phone: 503-543-7183

Sample Type: Waste Water Sampled by: Steve Smith

	•			Laboratory
Client Identification	•	Influent	Effluent	Reporting
Lab Number		00143/03	00143/04	Limit
Analysis	Method	Results	Results	
		mg/L;ppm	. · mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
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B,O.D.	405.1	180	ND	2

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Date Reported: 5/25/00 Date Sampled: 5/18/00 7a Date Received: 5/18/00

Job Number: 00139/40-41

Phone: 503-543-5679

Sample Type: Waste Water Sampled by: Steve Smith

		•	:		Laboratory
Client Identification			Influent	Effluent	Reporting
Lab Number			00139/40	00139/41	Limit
Analysis		Method	Results	Results	
			mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
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Biochemical Oxygen Demand 250 ND

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Date Reported: 4/19/00

Date Sampled: 4/13/00 11a Date Received: 4/13/00

Job Number: 00104/31-32

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Sample Type: Waste Water

Client Identification		Influent	Effluent	Laboratory Reporting
Lab Number		00104/31	00104/32	Limit
- Analysis	Method -	Results	Results	
	.,	mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
B.O.D.	405.1	470	ND	2

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Sample Type: Waste Water

Sampled by Stave Smith

Date Reported: 5/18/00

Date Sampled: 5/11/00 7:30a

Date Received: 5/11/00

Job Number: 00132/17-18

Client Identification Lab Number		Influent 00132/17	Effluent 00132/18	Laboratory Reporting Limit
Analysis	Method	Results mg/L;ppm	Results mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
Biochemical Oxygen Dema	nd 405.1	170	<b>-6</b> ,	2
Fecal Coliform (292275)	SM9221E		e. · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	2/100 mls

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ANALYSIS REPORT

Date Reported: 5/10/00 Date Sampled: 5/4/00 Date Received: 5/5/00

Job Number: 00125/30-31

Phone: 503-543-5679

Sample Type: Waste Water Sampled by: Darryl Sykes

Client Identification		Influent	Effluent	Reporting
Lab Number	·	00125/30	00125/31	Limit
Analysis	Method	Results mg/L;ppm	Results mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
B.O.D.	405 1	380	A DAND IN	2

ND = None Detected

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ANALYSIS REPORT

Date Reported: 4/12/00

Date Sampled: 4/6/00

Date Received: 4/6/00

Job Number: 00097/23-24

Phone: 503-543-5679

Sample Type: Waste Water

Client Identification	· .	Influent	Effluent	Laboratory Reporting
Lab Number	<u> </u>	00097/23	00097/24	Limit
Analysis	Method	Results	Results	
		mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
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B.O.D.	405.1	250	ND	2

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Date Reported: 4/19/00

Date Sampled: 4/13/00 11a

Date Received: 4/13/00 Job Number: 00104/31-32

Phone: 503-543-5679

Sample Type: Waste Water

Client Identific	ation	Influent	Effluent	Laboratory Reporting
Lab Number		.00104/31	00104/32	Limit
Analysis	Method	Results	Results	
		mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm -
B.O.D.	405.1	470	ND	2

ND = None Detected -

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Date Reported: 4/27/00 Date Sampled: 4/20/00

Date Received: 4/20/00 Job Number: 00111/13,27

Phone: 503-543-5679

Sample Type: Waste Water

Client Identification		Influent	Effluent	Laboratory Reporting
Lab Number	·	00111/27	00111/13	Limit
Analysis	Method	Results	Results	
	•	mg/L;ppm	mg/Ĺ;ppm	mg/L;ppm
B.O.D.	405.1	450	ND	2

ND = None Detected

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ANALYSIS REPORT

Date Reported: 5/3/00

Date Sampled: 4/27/00 7a

Date Received: 4/27/00

Job Number: 00118/17-18

Phone: 503-543-5679

Sample Type: Waste Water Sampled by: Steve Smith

Client Identification		Influent	Effluent	Reporting
Lab Number		00118/17	00118/18	Limit
Analysis	Method	Results	Results	
	•	mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
B.O.D.	405	<b>260</b>	t Samer <b>is</b>	2

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ANALYSIS REPORT

Date Reported: 3/10/00

Date Sampled: 3/2/00

Date Received: 3/2/00

Job Number: 00062/15-16

Phone: 503-543-5679

Sample Type: Waste Water

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N T Date Reported: 3/15/00

Date Sampled: 3/9/00 11:30a

Date Received: 3/9/00

Job Number: 260/22-23

Phone: 503-543-5679

Sample Type: Waste Water

Client Identification	n	Influent	Effluent	Laboratory Reporting
Lab Number	•	00069/16	00069/17	Limit
Analysis	Method	Results	Results	
		mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
B.O.D.	405.1	250	ND	2

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Sample Type: Waste Water

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Date Reported:	3/23/00
Date Sampled:	3/16/00
Date Received:	3/16/00
Job Number:	00076/30-31

Client Identification		Influent	Effluent	Laboratory Reporting
Lab Number		00076/30	00076/31	Limit
Analysis	Method	Results mg/L;ppm	Results mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
Biochemical Oxygen D	emand 405.1	<b>57</b>	<b>2</b>	2

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Date Reported: 4/5/00

Date Sampled: 3/30/00 3/290

Date Received: 3/30/00

Job Number: 00090/17-18

Phone: 503-543-5679

Sample Type: Waste Water

				Laboratory
Client Identification		Influent	Effluent	Reporting
Lab Number		00090/17	00090/18	Limit
· Analysis	Method	Results	Results	
•		mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm ·
B.O.D.	405.1	460	8	2

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Date Sampled: 2/3/00 7a

Date Received: 2/3/00

Date Reported: 2/10/00

Job Number: 00034/12

Phone: 503-543-7183

System: Wastewater Plant Sample Type: Waste Water

			Laboratory
. Client Identification		Effluent	Reporting
Lab Number	·	00034/12	Limit
· Analysis	Method ·	Results	
		mg/L;ppm	ma/L:ppm

Biochemical Oxygen Demand

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Date Sampled: 2/17/00 11:30a

Date Received: 2/17/00

Date Reported: 2/23/00

Job Number: 00048/21

Phone: 503-543-7183

Sample Type: Waste Water

Client Identification		Effluent	Laboratory Reporting
Lab Number		00048/21	Limit
Analysis	Method	Results	
		mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
Biochemical Oxygen Den	nand 405.1	4	2 mg/L

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Date Sampled: 2/29/00 7a Date Received: 2/29/00

Date Reported: 3/7/00

Job Number: 00060/08-09

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Sampled Location: Wastewater Plant

Matrix: Waste Water

				Laboratory
. Client Identifica	ition 11	Influent	Effluent	Reporting.
Lab Number		00060/08	00060/09	Limit
Analysis	Method	Results	Results	
		mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
B.O.D.	405.1	300	3	2

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Date Sampled: 1/20/00

Date Received: 1/20/00

Date Reported: 1/26/00

Job Number: 020/26

Phone: 503-543-5679

Sample Type: Waste Water

Client Identification Lab Number

**Effluent** 

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Laboratory Reporting Limit

Analysis

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Results

mg/L;ppm

mg/L;ppm

Biochemical Oxygen Demand

4 mg/L

ND = None Detected

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Sampled Location: Wastewater Plant

Matrix: Waste Water

Date Sampled: 1/24/00 Date Received: 1/24/00

Date Reported: 1/31/00

Job Number: 024/03-04

Client Identification	•	Influent	Effluent	Laboratory Reporting
Lab Number		024/03	024/04	Limit
Analysis	Method	Results	Results	
•		mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
B.O.D.	405.1	310	ND 4.0	4 mg/L

ND = None Detected

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Sampled Location: Wastewater Plant

Matrix: Waste Water

Date Sampled: 1/24/00 Date Received: 1/24/00 Date Reported: 1/31/00

Job Number: 024/03-04

Client Identification	),	Influent	Effluent	Laboratory Reporting
Lab Number		024/03	024/04	Limit
Analysis	Method	Results	Results	
	•	mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm

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Sampled Location: Wastewater Plant

Matrix: Waste Water

Date Sampled: 1/26/00 Date Received: 1/26/00 Date Reported: 1/31/00 Job Number: 026/08-09

Client Identification		Influent 026/08	Effluent 026/09	Laboratory Reporting Limit
Lab Number Analysis	Method	Results mg/L;ppm	Results mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
8.0.0	405.1	200	ND	. 4 mg/L

ND = None Detected

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Sampled Location: Wastewater Plant

Matrix: Waste Water

Date Sampled: 1/27/00 7a Date Received: 1/27/00 Date Reported: 1/31/00 Job Number: 027/25-26

Client Identification Lab Number		Influent 027/25	Effluent 027/26	Laboratory Reporting Limit
Analysis	Method	Results mg/L;ppm	Results mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
B.O.D.	405.1	340	ND	4 mg/L

ND = None Detected

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Date Sampled: 12/16/99

Date Received: 12/16/99

Date Reported: 12/23/99

Job Number: 350/27-28

Phone: 503-543-5679

Sample Type: Waste Water

Client Identification		Influent	Effluent	Laboratory Reporting
Lab Number		350/27	350/28	Limit
Analysis	Method	Results	Results	
,		mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
B.O.D.	405.1	90	NĐ	4 mg/L

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Date Sampled: 9/17/99

Date Received: 9/17/99

Date Reported: 9/28/99

Job Number: 260/22-23

Phone: 503-543-5679

Sample Type: Waste Water ...

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Client Identification		Influent	Effluent	Laboratory Reporting
Lab Number		260/22	260/23	Limit
Analysis	Method	Results	Results	
	•	mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm	mg/L;ppm
B.O.D.	405.1	320	ND	4 mg/L
T.S.S.	160.2	200	7	2 mg/L
Fecal Coliform	SM9221E	-	1,600/100 mls	
(280627)		,		

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ater System:		AM-TEST OREGON, LLC.
2005E WILL 3500x	LABORATORY RESULTS	#3035 SW Pacific Hwy.
330x P	Total coliforms:	Tigard OR 97223
PPCXSE County Columbia	See back of pink copy for interpretation	(503) 639-9311
543 7183	J	Lab Cert, #31
ite and time: 10/12/00 7: 00 pm	Test Methods:	Lab Cert #
Month Day Year Hour Min  Die: ☐ Routine ☐ *Repeat ☐ Special	DEC DEC+MUG D Nutrient Agar + MUG	Sample #
te of Initial positive	Sample invalid; resample immediately	Bottle #
STEVE SMITH	Leaked Over 30 hr old	Date & time received 10/13/00/12/
EFF LUENT CHANNEL	☐ Heavy non-coliform growth (as defined by method)	Received by: "D(
☐ Ye "No Free Chlorine mg/l		Date & time analyzed:
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0: 00:00	White Lab Yellow Health Division	FRIAL TEST
Name City of SCAPPO	Pink Water System	
Address PO Box P	Form # 50-90 (Rev. 1/98)	Fecal Coliforms = <2/100m
City, state, zip SCAPPOUSE,	ORE 97056	
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later System:	PUBLIC WATER SUPPLIES DRINKING WATER PROGRAM  LABORATORY RESULTS Total coliforms: □ Present* □ Absent	AM-TEST OREGON, L.L.C. 13035 SW Pacific Hwy. Tigard OR 97223
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later System:	PUBLIC WATER SUPPLIES DRINKING WATER PROGRAM  LABORATORY RESULTS Total coliforms: □ Present* □ Absent Fecal coliforms/E. coli: □ Present* □ Absent *See back of pink copy for interpretation	AM-TEST OREGON, L.L.C. 13035 SW Pacific Hwy. Tigard OR 97223
/ater System:  A SCAPPOSE  County County Columbia  Jate and time: 10/05/00 7:00	PUBLIC WATER SUPPLIES DRINKING WATER PROGRAM  LABORATORY RESULTS Total coliforms: □ Present* □ Absent Fecal coliforms/E. coli: □ Present* □ Absent 'See back of pink copy for interpretation  Test Methods:	AM-TEST OREGON, L.L.C. 13035 SW Pacific Hwy. Tigard OR 97223 (503) 639-9311
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/ater System:  / Scapping  County  Cou	PUBLIC WATER SUPPLIES DRINKING WATER PROGRAM  LABORATORY RESULTS  Total coliforms:	AM-TEST OREGON, LLC. 13035 SW Pacific Hwy. Tigard OR 97223 (503) 639-9311 Lab Cert # Sample # 29993  Bottle # Date & time received 10/6/00/12/P Received by: PC Date & time analyzed: 11
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n date and time: 09 / 26 / 00 7: 00 and 18 month Day Year Hour Min imple: Repeat Special date of Initial positive by: SFVC SM/TH	Sample invalid: resample immediatel	r 30 hr old	Lab Cert #
oint: EFFUEAT  id? Yes ONO Free Chlorine mg/l  uturn address for report:  Name C, Ty of Scappool  Address Po.Box  City, state, zip ScappoolSE		Copy Distribution: White Lab Yellow Health Division Pink Water System Form # 50-90 (Rev. 1/98) e:\work\labslip	Date & time analyzed:
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lection die and time: 9/1/00.7:00	Test Methods:	Lab Cert#
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repeat, date of initial positive	Sample invalid: resample immediately	Bottle#
ected by: " Darry Sukes Dant	☐ Leaked . ☐ Over 30 hr old	Date & time received
nple point: U.V. Chance / FIGURAT	☐ Heavy non-coliform growth (as defined by method)	Received by: 77C
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### CITY OF SCAPPOOSE

QUALITY CONTROL

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April 2000



The operations manual has been revised and is more in line with this facility and has been updated to adhere to current methods. Numerous proceedures have either been implemented or revamped to bring the facility into compliance and they include:

- A. staff has revised and implemented a BOD5 and Fecal Coliform procedures manual.
- B. staff has changed the method of storing dilution water by removing the rubber stopper on the reagent bottle allowing the dilution water to "breath".
- C. staff is now using the "glucose/glutamic acid check" to maintain QA/QC of the BOD5 test.
- D. staff has started using pre-packaged nutrients to reduce the risk of contamination to the dilution water.
- E. staff is now running two blank samples to reduce the risk of BOD5 probe contamination.
- F. staff has adjusted BOD5 sample amounts to bring depletion values into a more consistent range.
- G. staff is now using an EPA accepted BOD seed inoculum that has a stable and predictable depletion range.
- H. staff has implemented a new procedure of replacing the BOD probe membrane on a regular basis.
- I. staff has purchased a certified thermometer for the BOD refrigerator and is doing a daily check for temperature control.
- J. staff is periodically going to send a split sample to an outside lab for comparison to ensure QA/QC in their methods.
- K. staff purchased a MPN incubator and is now using the MPN method for fecal coliform detection. Due to the exceptional quality of effluent and outstanding U.V. disinfection the filter membrane method is not practical.
- L. samples that do not meet the proper d.o. depletion will be reported and flagged as an estimate.

Enclosed you will find a copy of lab results of wastewater analysis performed by our outside laboratory, Amtest Oregon. The results clearly show that the Scappoose Wastewater facility has been discharging effluent of excellent quality to the receiving stream.

In conclusion I would like to offer my sincere apologies to you for any problems that have occurred to the City Managers office or the City of Scappoose.

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CITY OF SCAPPOOSE

September 9, 1992

DEPARTMENT OF

**ENVIRONMENTAL** 

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NORTHWEST REGION

Mr. Steven Wabschall City of Scappoose Sewage Treatment Plant. 34345 Columbia Blvd. P.O. Box "P" Scappoose, Oregon 97056

Re:

WQ - Columbia County City of Scappoose

WQ-NWR-92-396

NOTICE OF NONCOMPLIANCE

Dear Mr. Wabschall,

A review of your Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) for the month of July, 1992, indicates the following violation occurred:

Parameter/Violation

Report Value

Permit Limit

BOD/Weekly Average (7/26 - 7/31)

32.7 mg/1

30 mg/1

The above violation is a Class III violation. Oregon Administrative Rules provide for more formal enforcement action for repeated or continuous Class III violations. The Department requests your cooperation in ensuring that this violation does not recur.

If you have any questions about this Notice, please call me at 229-6385 (x248).

Sincerely,

Doug Jones .

Environmental Engineer

Northwest Region

Water Quality Division, DEQ Enforcement Division, DEQ



### Scappoose Wastewater Training

A. Training by outside consultant:

Holly Ploetz with Linn-Benton Community College has made two visits to the Scappoose Wastewater plant for operator training. While at the plant a performance review of laboratory procedures was done.

Both Wastewater operators have been to the Linn-Benton Community College short school in December 1999. This short school was a NPDES Wastewater laboratory workshop.

Lab Procedures for

Columbia Boulevard

Wastewater Plant

June, 2000

#### 5. ASEPTIC HANDLING OF BACTERIOLOGIC SAMPLES

Avoid contamination from skin, clothing, equipment, water, and adjacent surfaces.

- 6. RECORD NECESSARY SAMPLING DATA.
- 7. ALWAYS MIX THE SAMPLE before removing a portion.
- 8. SAMPLES SHOULD BE TESTED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE always within the permissible time interval after sampling.

#### TYPES OF SAMPLES

1. GRAB SAMPLES

A "grab" sample consists of a portion of the flow taken at one particular time. Grab samples are taken because they are required or because there is a lack of time to catch composite samples. For some tests grab samples must be used. Tests such as residual chlorine, dissolved oxygen, and pH are determined from grab samples as a portion of the flow which cannot be mixed. For some tests grab samples can be used because the quality of the component to be sampled remains uniform for a period of a day or longer. An example is a digester sample.

#### COMPOSITE SAMPLES

A composite sample is a series of grab samples poured together to make one sample. The simplest pe of composite sample consists of grabs of equal volume and is applicable only to situations of uniform flow.

#### PROPORTIONAL COMPOSITE SAMPLES

In proportional composite samples, the volume of each portion is adjusted to the flow at the time the portion is collected. All portions are mixed to produce a final sample representative of the flow during that particular collection period. Composite samples are representative of the character of the flow over a period of time. Biochemical oxygen demand (BOD), settleable solids, and suspended solids tests are usually run on composite samples. The effects of intermittent changes in strength and flow are eliminated. The portion collected should be obtained with sufficient frequency to obtain average results. The rate of flow must be measured when each portion is taken and the volume of the portion adjusted to the flow at the particular time of sample. Samples may be composited either by mechanical samplers or manually.

Use the following formula to determine the volume of sample to be taken at each sampling interval to obtain a weighted composite sample.

<u>Total Sample Volume X Flow Rate at Sampling</u> = ml Sample at Sampling Times # of Sampling Times Average Flow Rate

### **TEMPERATURE**

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#### INTRODUCTION

Temperature measurements should be made with the thermometer immersed in flowing water or in well-mixed water in a beaker. Of course measurements should be made at the sampling point, not in the laboratory since the temperature can change quickly during transport. Readings should be made to the nearest degree, or closer if desirable. A period of time sufficient to allow a constant reading on the thermometer is necessary for accurate temperature measurement.

It is a required procedure to periodically check thermometers used throughout the treatment plant. This is done by standardizing the thermometers against a Standard Thermometer. The standard thermometer must have a certificate verifying authenticity.

Another method for "checking" a thermometer follows.

#### **EQUIPMENT**

Mercury-filled centigrade thermometer Ice bath (beaker with ice 'water) Boiling water bath (beaker with boiling water)

#### COCEDURE

#### 1. CHECK THE FREEZING POINT.

Immerse a thermometer in an ice bath and allow it to come to equilibrium. Equilibrium will be reached when the temperature on the thermometer does not change over a period of 3-5 minutes. Be sure that the ice bath has pieces of ice in it at all times. The thermometer should be suspended and the bulb of the thermometer should not rest on the bottom of the beaker. Record the temperature at equilibrium.

#### CHECK THE BOILING POINT.

Repeat as above except with boiling water bath. Again, be sure that the thermometer is suspended above the bottom of the beaker. The water must be boiling constantly. Record the temperature at equilibrium.

#### 3. EVALUATE THE TEMPERATURE READINGS.

If the thermometer is off more than one (1) degree Celsius at either the freezing or boiling point, the thermometer should be discarded.

#### 4. CHECK TEMPERATURE OF SAMPLE.

If thermometer checks out OK at 00 and 1 00 C it may be used to check sample temperature. Suspend thermometer in sample so that it does not touch the bottom or sides of the container. Allow it to reach equilibrium. Record temperature to the highest accuracy of the thermometer.



#### INTRODUCTION

pH is a measure of hydrogen ion (H+) concentration and is generally used to describe a system as being acidic or basic. It is not to be confused with alkalinity or acidity, which require completely different laboratory analysis. pH measurements are taken at various points throughout a treatment plant, and any abnormal readings can be an indication of an upset system. Abnormal raw sewage pH can be a clue to imminent plant problems.

#### **EQUIPMENT**

Electronic pH meter

Color comparator device with glass cells.

(Color comparators are acceptable for in-plant control checks, pH measurements for state monitoring reports are to be made with meter **onl**)

#### REAGENTS

Standard pH buffers (4, 7, and 10)

**PROCEDURE (Meter)** The following are generic directions and specific directions should be used for each meter. Read the Directions!

### WARM UP INSTRUMENT.

The instrument should be left in the standby position. If the instrument is not on and in the standby position, turn it on and allow it to warm up for 30 minutes.

#### 2. ADJUST THE TEMPERATURE.

The temperature is usually set at room temperature. If solutions of lower or higher temperature are being checked, the standard and the sample must be at the temperature set on the meter.

ADJUST THE NEEDLE TO 7. While in the standby position.

#### 4. RINSE THE PROBE.

With distilled water

#### IMMERSE THE PROBE IN THE 7 BUFFER.

Use about 20 mls of fresh 7.0 buffer in a clean beaker

# Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) Non-Chlorinated Samples

#### INTRODUCTION

The biochemical oxygen demand (BOD) is defined as the quantity of oxygen used in the biochemical oxidation of organic matter in a specific time, at a specified temperature and under specific conditions. The standard BOD test performed on domestic waste is carried out for 5 days at 20 C- The BOD test is used as a measure of the organic strength of sewage. If the sewage is strong, for example, it will contain a large amount of decomposable organic material. In such a case, the oxygen requirement and BOD would be high. By the same argument, sewage containing small amounts of decomposable organic materials would have a lower BOD.

The test is performed by determining the amount of dissolved oxygen (DO) in the sample at the start of the testing period and comparing it to the amount of dissolved oxygen in the sample after five days. The dissolved oxygen depleted over this period has been used to stabilize organic material and is, therefore, the biochemical oxygen demand (BOD) of the sample.

#### STOCK SOLUTION PREPARATION

#### 1. CALCIUM CHLORIDE SOLUTION

Dissolve 27.5 g. anhydrous calcium chlorine (CaC12) in 500 mls distilled water and make up to one liter with distilled water.

#### **MAGNESIUM SULFATE SOLUTION**

Dissolve 22.5 g. magnesium sulfate (MgS04 - 7 H20) in 500 mls distilled water and make up to one liter with distilled water.

#### IRON (111) CHLORIDE (FERRIC CHLORIDE) SOLUTION

Dissolve 0.25 g. iron (111) chloride (FeC13 - 6 H20) in 500 mls distilled water and make up to one liter with distilled water

#### PHOSPHATE BUFFER SOLUTION

Dissolve:

- 8.5 g. potassium dihydrogen phosphate (KH2PO4)
- 21.75 g. dipotassium hydrogen phosphate (K2HP04)
- 33.4 g. disodium hydrogen phosphate (Na2HP04)
- 1.7 g. ammonium chloride (NH4CI) in 500 mls distilled water. After the salts have dissolved, make up one liter with distilled water. The pH of this buffer should be about 7.2 and should be checked. Discard solution if any sign of biological growth appears.

# Glucose-Glutamic Acid BOD Quality Check

#### INTRODUCTION

Because the BOD test is a bioassay, the results can be influenced greatly by the. presence of toxicants or by use of a poor seeding material. Distilled waters frequently are contaminated with copper; some sewage seeds are relatively inactive. Low results always are obtained with such seeds and waters. Periodically check dilution water quality, seed effectiveness and analytical technique by making BOD measurements on pure organic compounds.

#### **EQUIPMENT**

This test is run on the standard BOD equipment and is set up in conjunction with regular testing.

#### **REAGENTS**

2% dilution of glucose-glutamic acid standard solution.

#### SOLUTION PREPARATION

Dissolve 150 mg of glucose and 150 mg of glutamic acid in One liter.

#### **PROCEDURE**

Set up standard dilution.

The BOD of the above glucose-glutamic solution is 200 mg/L + 37 mg/L. A 2% dilution of this solution should be set up to achieve the criteria of a 2.0 DO depletion and a residual DO of 1.0 mg/L.

This 2% dilution is achieved by addition of 6 mls of solution to a BOD bottle.

This solution also needs to be seeded. Seed the sample the same as the dechlorinated final effluent samples.

#### 5. RINSE FILTER.

Use distilled water to wash the solids that are clinging to the sidewall of the funnel down onto the glass fiber filter and to remove any soluble solids trapped in the glass fiber filter. Rinse cylinder and empty into funnel.

### 6. PLACE FILTER BACK INTO ORIGINAL ALUMINUM PAN AND PLACE IN DRYING OVEN.

Dry the pan and filter for 60 minutes at 103 degrees C in the drying oven. Use tongs to handle pans.

#### REMOVE PAN AND SAMPLE FROM DRYING OVEN.

Cool the filter and pan to room temperature in desiccator.

#### 8. WEIGH THE PAN AND FILTER AND SAMPLE.

Weigh the filter plus pan to four decimal places and record the weight as "filter plus dry sample."

#### SAVE THE FILTER AND PAN WITH SAMPLE

for volatile suspended solids determination. If volatile suspended solids are not to be run, discard the filter.

#### CALCULATION

EXAMPLE:

Pan plus filter plus sample Pan plus filter Sample

10.6501 g

10.6245 a

0.0256 g

Suspended Solids,  $mg/l = \underline{sample weight. g X 1,000,000}$  sample volume, MIS

EXAMPLE.

for 100 MIS sample

Suspended Solids, mg/l

0.0256 g X 1,000,000 100 ms

256 mg/l

### CITY OF SCAPPOOSE

EQUIPMENT

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THE SERVICE REQUESTED BY YOUR COMPANY HAS BEEN PERFORMED BY CONTROL SOLUTIONS IN A SATISFACTORY MANNER.

CUSTOMER SIGNATURE

TITLE Operator IT

### CERTIFICATE of CONFORMANCE &ACCURACY

This thermometer identified by Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_\_ was compared with a Standard calibrated at the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), formerly the National Bureau of Standards (NBS); and was found to be within one scale division. The indications of this thermometer are traceable to N.I.S.T.

The standard Serial No. is 48511
The NIST Identification No. is 92564

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Clifton Thomas, Quality Control Supervisor Ever-Ready Thermometer Co., Inc.

228 Lackawanna Avenue West Paterson, NJ 07424

Phone 973/812-7474 Fax 973/812-7475

THE VALIDITY OF THIS CERTIFICATE & INSTRUMENT IS ONE YEAR

#### AGENDA REPORT

September 2, 1998

To:

Mayor and Council

Thru:

Ben Shaw, Public Works Director

From:

Steven Wabschall, Operations Superintendent

Subject:

Purchase of Influent Sampler

for Wastewater Treatment Plant

Date:

September 2, 1998

#### Summary:

Competitive quotes were received from three vendors whose names were obtained from the Public Works' engineering, construction, & maintenance catalog. The lowest bid (\$3,970.00) was submitted by Environmental & Process Instramentation located in Issaquah, Washington. The other bids were for \$4,622.00 & \$4,575.00.

#### **Previous Council Action:**

The budget committee recommended and council approved for fiscal year 1998/1999 the purchase of a new refridgerated, weather resistant, composit sampler for plant influent.



#### Background:

The current sampling system was moved but not replaced during the last plant upgrade in 1993. The system was adequate at best and is currently non-operable. The system is old and outdated and is not worth repairing.

#### **Problem Discussion:**

Staff is currently taking grab samples of the plant influent which does not ensure a true 24 hour representation of the city's wastestream. In order to best obtain accurate data that can be used by treatment staff the equipment needs to be replaced with a unit that will take composit samples and that can protect and preserve the samples until they can be analyzed.

#### Financial Implications:

Staff proposes allocating funds from wastewater budget line item 300 (capital equipment). The amount of \$5000.00 was budgeted and approved for this purchase.

#### Recommendation:

Staff recommends the purchase of the Sigma 900 All Weather Refridgerated Sampler from Environmental & Process Instrumentation.

#### **Proposed Motion:**

I move that council allow staff to make purchase of a new refridgerated sampler from EPI.

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### DEQ LABORATORIES AND APPLIED RESEARCH DIVISION QUALITY ASSURANCE SECTION

#### Documentation Requirements

Each facility/laboratory should have a procedure manual which includes all the standard operating procedures (SOP's) used for their self-monitoring program. The facility's SOP's should cover sampling, equipment calibration and maintenance, analytical methods, quality control activities and laboratory data handling and reporting. Facility SOP's should include enough detail to use this document as a training manual for new employees.

#### Sampling Procedures

- 1.1 Sample collection and analysis schedules for parameters specified in permit and/or other tests not covered in permit, but are used to determine plant performance.
- 1.2 Sample collection locations.
- 1.3 Sample types such as grab, composite or flow proportioned composites including instructions on sampler setup.
- 1.4 Sample handling requirements such as sampling containers, preservatives (e.g. acid, thiosulfate, refrigeration etc.), and holding time.

#### Facilities and Equipment

- 2.1 Operating instructions for equipment such as balances, meters, incubators, samplers etc. which outline proper calibration procedures to be followed whenever equipment is used.
- 2.2 Maintenance schedules on major equipment which indicate what type of maintenance is to be performed. Balances should be serviced annually by a certified repairman.

2.3 Cleaning procedures to be followed for each type of equipment and glassware used by the facility.

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determine accuracy.

- 4.5 Control limits should be established for duplicates and standards, or spike samples for data verification. Examples of establishing control limits are outlined in Appendix A.
- 4.6 Routinely verify quality of reagent/pure water. The following table is an excerpt used for checking pure water in microbiology testing. It would be good laboratory practice to use these same pure water checks on reagent water used to analyze other analytes.

Test	Monitoring Frequency	Limit
Conductivity	Continuously or with each use.	< 2 $\mu$ U/cm at 25°C or > 0.5 megohms
рH	With each use.	5.5 - 7.5 SU
Total chlorine residual	Monthly or with each use.	< detection limit
Total organic carbon	Monthly.	< 1.0 mg/L
Ammonia/organic nitrogen	Monthly.	< 0.1 mg/L
Heavy metals, single (Cd, Cr, Cu, Ni, Pb, and Zn)	Monthly.	< 0.5 mg/L
Heavy metals, total	Monthly.	< 1.0 mg/L

4.7 Routinely check and document temperature of sample refrigerators, incubator, and composite sampler's cooler.

#### 5. Laboratory Data Handling and Reporting

5.1 Bound lab books or bench data sheets must be available for all tests performed. Data sheets should document all essential checks made to verify that test results are valid.

Standard Methods For the Examination of Water and Wastewater sixteenth edition, 1985.

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EPA Methods 1979: Method 405.1

#### 6.1.5 Analytical Checks

- 6.1.5.1 Sample Pretreatment requirements:
  - a.) Sample pH must be between 6.5 8.0 SU.
  - b.) Chlorinated effluent must be dechlorinated. Use sodium sulfite (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub>).
  - c.) Dechlorinated effluent must be reseeded; use aged settled influent or sample from primary clarifier for this. DO depletion from seed should be between 0.6 1.0 mg/L.
  - d.) Sample temperature must be approximately 20° C for tests and DO should be approximately 9 mg/L. Samples which have DO's greater than 9 mg/L may lose oxygen during incubation which will result in an overestimation of the BOD. Samples with DO's greater than 9 mg/L at 20° C should be aerated by vigorously shaking, or using aeration device similar to that used for dilution water.

#### 6.1.5.2 Test Set-up

- a.) A dilution water blank must be analyzed with each setup. The 5 day blank DO depletion should be less than 0.2 mg/L. Should high dilution blank DO depletion be obtained, the permittee should not report corrected BOD results (subtracting blank DO depletions from the sample DO depletions in calculations). High blank DO depletions contribute a positive bias to BOD results.
- b.) A seed BOD needs to be run with each setup to verify seed strength equivalent to a 0.6 to 1.0 mg/L DO depletion. Example: If 2 mls seed are used, seed BOD must be run with 2 ml to ensure depletion criteria is met. The seed DO depletion is subtracted from seeded sample DO depletion as a correction factor.
- c.) A glucose/glutamic acid standard should be run with each setup to verify proper test performance. Theoretical BOD of the standard is 200  $\pm$  37 mg/L. The standard requires seeding.

Y = volume of seed added in milliliters.

Z = volume of seed used in seed BOD.

 $S_1$  = initial DO from seed BOD.

 $S_F = \text{final DO from seed BOD.}$ 

# 6.2 Total Suspended Solids (TSS)

- 6.2.1 Sample Collection and Preservation
  As described for BOD5
- 6.2.2 Holding Time 7 days
- 6.2.3 Approved Methods

Gravimetric, residue post drying 103 - 105° C Standard Methods 15th ed. 209D Standard Methods 16th ed. 209C EPA Methods 1979: Method 160.2

#### 6.2.4 Analytical Checks

- Balance: The analytical balance should be serviced annually by a certified repairman. The balance should be located in an area free of drafts and sources of humidity. The balance should be on a hard, stable surface.
- 6.2.4.2 Oven temperature logs should be maintained to document oven temps. of 103° 105° C.
- 6.2.4.3 Filters should be prewashed and dried at 103° 105° C before initial weighing.
- 6.2.4.4 Filters must be stored in a desiccator prior to weighings.
- 6.2.4.5 Choose a sample volume to yield 2.5 and 200 mg of dried solids. Filtration should be complete within 2 minutes. If it takes longer than 10 minutes to filter sample, use a larger filter or reduce volume, but do not produce less than 2.5 mg residue. Clogging of filters reduces the effective filter pore size and introduces a positive bias to TSS result.

#### 6.3.5 Analytical Checks

- 6.3.5.1 Electrodes should be stored in distilled water or buffer between uses, as recommended by the manufacturer.
- 6.3.5.2 Meter should be calibrated before each use by performing a 2 point standardization with pH 7 and either pH 4 or 10 buffer. Calibrations must be documented in the lab notebook.
- 6.3.5.3 The sample temperature should be recorded when pH is measured.
- 6.3.5.4 The time required to obtain a stable reading is dependent on the electrode and whether the sample is being stirred during measurement. A rule of thumb would be at least 1 minute to obtain a stable reading.

#### 6.4 Total Residual Chlorine

#### 6.4.1 Sample Collection, Preservation and Handling

Grab samples collected at discharge from chlorine contact chamber. Samples must be analyzed immediately.

#### 6.4.2 Approved Methods

Standard Methods or EPA Methods 1979: Iodometric Method I or II Amperometric Titration DPD Ferrous Titration DPD Colorimetric

\* DPD kits are approved by EPA and DEQ.

#### 6.4.3 Analytical Checks (kits)

The color wheels must be protected from sunlight when not in use to prevent fading. The kit should provide for a blank correction. Powder reagent pillows should be dated when received.

#### 6.5 Fecal Coliform

6.5.1 Sample Collection

Grab samples are collected in sterile polyethylene or borosilicate

convenient.

6.5.5.5 Bunsen or alcohol burner.

#### 6.5.6 Expendable Equipment

6.5.6.1 <u>Membrane Filters:</u> pre-sterilized, gridded, 47mm diameter, 0.45um pore size:

 (catalog #)
 Price

 Millipore
 Type HC (HCWG 047 S3)
 \$73.90/200

6.5.6.2 Broth: M-FC 100 g bottle or 2 ml ampoules. The 2 ml ampoules are recommended because they are presterilized and facilities usually run fecal coliforms weekly which makes preparation of broth less cost effective.

media reagents: (available from VWR)

mFC media

DF0677-01

rosolic acid

DF32228-09

Ampoules:

(cat. #)

price

Millipore:

M00000P2F

\$40.40/50

Gelman:

4356

\$19.00/20

6.5.6.3 Sterile petri dishes and pads.

Petri dish only:

(cat. #)

price

Gelman

7242

\$21.00/100

Millipore

PD1004700

\$18.50/100

Petri dish with Pads:

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7245

\$24.00/100

Millipore

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#### 6.5.7 Analytical Checks

6.5.7.1

Incubation time and temperature requirements:

 $44.5 \pm 0.2^{\circ}$  C for 24 ± 2 hours

An NBS or ASTM certified thermometer is necessary to

95% confidence interval for the MPN test (as published in , Standard Methods).

# 6.5.8 Calculation & Reporting of Results

a. Only one plate count within acceptable limits (20 - 60)

Example: 5 ml sample obtained 30 counts; other dilutions did not meet criteria.

FC 
$$\frac{\text{cts.}}{100 \,\text{ml}} = \frac{30}{5} \times 100 = 600$$
  $\frac{2}{100} \times 16^{5}$ 

b. More than 1 acceptable count

Example: 5 ml sample obtained 60 counts and 1 ml sample obtained 20 counts.

$$\frac{60}{5} \times 100 = 1200 \text{ FC } \frac{\text{cts.}}{100 \text{ ml}}$$
$$\frac{20}{1} \times 100 = 2000 \text{ FC } \frac{\text{cts.}}{100 \text{ ml}}$$

Calculate the arithmetic mean:

$$\frac{2000 + 1200}{2} = 1600 \text{ FC } \frac{\text{cts}}{100\text{ml}}$$

c. If ALL MF counts are below lower limit of 20, select most nearly acceptable count.

Example: Sample volumes of 1, 0.3, and 0.01 ml produced counts of 14, 3, and 0 respectively.

Use 14, and report as "est" (estimate); most near the acceptable count.

d. If ALL MF counts are zero, calculate using count from largest

result type	result reported	use this number in calc
no colony growth	< 4	. 4
# colonies < 20	15 est.	15
colonies between 20-60	40	40
colony > 60	150 est.	150
colonies TNTC	> 6000	6000

Procedure 1: Calculate nth root of the product of fecal coliform results:

$$\overline{X}_{g} = \sqrt[n]{\prod_{i=1}^{n} X_{i}}$$

$$= \sqrt[n]{X_{1} \times X_{2} \times X_{3} \times \dots \times X_{n}}$$

Example: Five measurements for FC over a one month period were: 4, 15, 40, 150, and 6000 counts/100 ml. Calculate the geometric mean.

$$\overline{X}_{g} = \sqrt[5]{4 \times 15 \times 40 \times 150 \times 6000}$$

$$= \sqrt[5]{2,160,000,000}$$

$$= 74 \frac{\text{cts.}}{100 \text{ ml}}$$

#### Appendix A

# Procedure for Calculating Method Precision and Accuracy

#### 1.0 Introduction

Statistical methods provide the basis for determining the precision and accuracy of data. Once precision and accuracy performance has been established, it can be used to verify self monitoring data by establishing quality control limits. Data which does not meet set control limits for precision or accuracy indicate that some sort of error has occurred due to equipment failure, analyst error, or a calculation error. Identification and correction of errors improves the overall quality of the data generated by a laboratory.

#### 2.0 <u>Determining Precision</u>

2.1 Definition: Precision is a measure of the spread in the data, or the repeatability of obtaining a given result on a sample or standard. Precision is expressed either in standard deviation, range (difference between duplicate analyses) or relative percent difference (RPD: range divided by the mean of the duplicates and multiplied by 100). Range is commonly used for samples which do not vary appreciably in concentration (such as effluent BOD) whereas RPD is used for samples which may vary in concentration several orders of magnitude (i.e. 1 - 500 mg/L) and range is dependent on concentration.

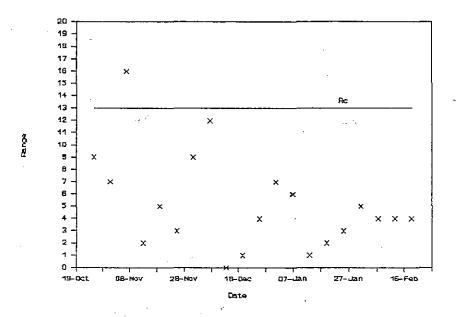
#### 2.2 Calculation:

$$RPD = \frac{X_1 - X_2}{(X_1 + X_2)/2} \times 100\%$$
  
 $R = X_1 - X_2$ 

Where:  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  = duplicate measurements of the same sample.

Example: Duplicate analysis for BOD on an effluent sample obtained the following results: 20 and 15 mg/L.

Graphical precision tracking: Provides a historical presentation of data for identifying trends which can help identify the deterioration of standards, or the need for equipment maintenance.



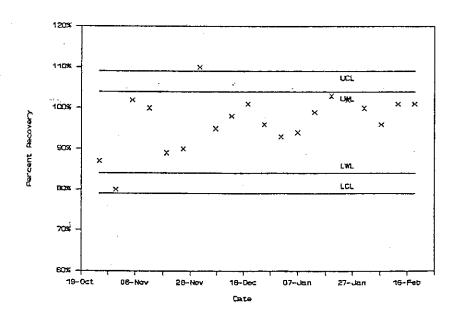
Analytical precision as a function of range.

> $\Sigma$  = summation sign.  $\Sigma P_i^2$  = sum of the squared percent recoveries.  $(\Sigma P_i)^2$  = square of the sum of percent recoveries.

Control limits =  $P \pm 3S_p$ Warning limits =  $P \pm 2S_p$ 

Example: A glucose/glutamic acid standard for BOD analysis obtained an average percent recovery over time of 94% with a standard deviation of 5%. The control and warning limits would be: Warning limits =  $94 \pm 2(5) = 94 \pm 10\% = 84 - 104\%$  Control limits =  $94 \pm 3(5) = 94 \pm 15\% = 79 - 109\%$  Most calculators have statistical functions for calculating averages and standard deviations.

# 3.4 Accuracy Control Chart



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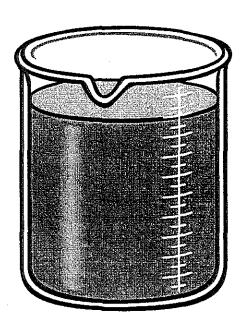
# Example Analysis form DAILY PLANT COMPOSITE

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C = TDS Dish + Dry Solids (g):	***************************************			
D = Filter Tare (g):				
E = Dish Tare (g): Mass diff. TSS F = B - D (g): Mass diff. TDS				
G = C - E(g):			·	<u></u>
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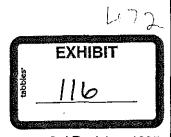
QC sample for TDS is a solution of KCl, and for TSS a slurry of diatomaceous earth.

# Lab Procedures

for Wastewater Treatment Plants



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#### 5. ASEPTIC HANDLING OF BACTERIOLOGIC SAMPLES

Avoid contamination from skin, clothing, equipment, water, and adjacent surfaces.

#### 6. RECORD NECESSARY SAMPLING DATA.

#### 7. ALWAYS MIX THE SAMPLE

before removing a portion.

#### 8. SAMPLES SHOULD BE TESTED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

always within the permissible time interval after sampling.

#### TYPES OF SAMPLES

#### 1. GRAB SAMPLES

A "grab" sample consists of a portion of the flow taken at one particular time. Grab samples are taken because they are required or because there is a lack of time to catch composite samples. For some tests grab samples must be used. Tests such as residual chlorine, dissolved oxygen, and pH are determined from grab samples as a portion of the flow which cannot be mixed. For some tests grab samples can be used because the quality of the component to be sampled remains uniform for a period of a day or longer. An example is a digester sample.

#### 2. COMPOSITE SAMPLES

A composite sample is a series of grab samples poured together to make one sample. The simplest type of composite sample consists of grabs of equal volume and is applicable only to situations of uniform flow.

#### 3. PROPORTIONAL COMPOSITE SAMPLES

In proportional composite samples, the volume of each portion is adjusted to the flow at the time the portion is collected. All portions are mixed to produce a final sample representative of the flow during that particular collection period. Composite samples are representative of the character of the flow over a period of time. Biochemical oxygen demand (BOD), settleable solids, and suspended solids tests are usually run on composite samples. The effects of intermittent changes in strength and flow are eliminated. The portion collected should be obtained with sufficient frequency to obtain average results. The rate of flow must be measured when each portion is taken and the volume of the portion adjusted to the flow at the particular time of sample. Samples may be composited either by mechanical samplers or manually.

Use the following formula to determine the volume of sample to be taken at each sampling interval to obtain a weighted composite sample.

Total Sample Volume X Flow Rate at Sampling = ml Sample at Sampling Times # of Sampling Times Average Flow Rate

# **DILUTION TECHNIQUES**

# INTRODUCTION

In the process of dilution, the concentration of material is reduced; i.e., the solution, suspension, or mixture is made weaker. Lab technicians frequently make dilution on reagents and samples.

# **DILUTION OF REAGENTS**

Working reagents are often prepared from concentrated solutions or stock solutions. The following formula can be used to make dilutions of molar, normal and percent solutions.

# **CALCULATIONS**

$$A = \frac{C \times D}{B}$$

Where

A = volume of stock

B = concentration of stock

C = desired volume of diluted solution

D = desired concentration of diluted solution

Volumes A and C must be in the same unit, for example, ml and ml or liters and liters.

Concentrations B and D must be in the same units, for example, M and M, N and N, and % and %.

Example:

If you wish to dilute 10 N  $H_2SO_4$  to 1 N and end up with a volume of 1000 ml:

$$B = 10 N$$

$$C = 1000 \text{ m}$$

$$D = 1 N$$

$$A, ml = \underbrace{C \times D}_{B}$$

$$= 1000 \text{ ml x } 1 \text{ N}$$
  
10 N

$$= 100 \, \text{ml}$$

Dilutions are expressed as ratios. Thus, a 1:100 dilution could be 1 ml in 100 ml total, 0.1 ml in 10 ml total. 0.5 ml in 50 ml total, or 10 ml in 1000 ml total volume. In all the cases, the dilution factor would be 100.

# SINGLE STEP DILUTION

#### **Procedure**

(Example: 1:10 dilution)

- PLACE 9 ml WATER IS TEST TUBE. Use a pipette or graduated cylinder.
- 2. MIX SAMPLE WELL.
- 3. TRANSFER 1 ml SAMPLE TO TEST TUBE. Use a 1 ml pipette.
- 4. MIX DILUTED SAMPLE.

Note: 90 ml of water and 10 ml of sample or 900 ml of water and 100 ml sample would also give 1:10 dilution. All volume should be measured with volumetric glassware, giving greatest accuracy possible. Volumes of less than 1 ml of concentrated material should not be made because of greater chance of error.

#### MULTIPLE STEP DILUTION

Many times, particularly in bacteriological testing, one dilution step is not enough to reduce the concentration to a workable level. Several consecutive dilutions are necessary. This is called a multiple step dilution.

If a 1:100 dilution is followed by a 1:10 dilution, a total dilution of 1:1000 results. The overall dilution factor is 1000 and is found by multiplying the dilution factors of each step ( $100 \times 10$ ). The procedure is the same as for single step except the diluted sample from the first step becomes the concentrated sample for the second step.

# 5. CALIBRATE WITH REGISTERED THERMOMETER (QA)

When checking thermometer it is a good idea to visually inspect thermometer periodically (monthly) for separations in mercury column. If separations are present, replace thermometer.

Thermometers, especially those used in incubators for fecal coliform should be checked, at least annually, with a NBS or ASTM certified thermometer to ensure accuracy and document results.

# **QA/QC** Requirement

The thermometers used throughout the plant - including samplers, incubators, ovens, etc. are to be checked "periodically" with a registered Standard thermometer.

Temperature logs need to be maintained on refrigerators, incubators, ovens and sterilizer.

# 6. SWITCH TO "pH" POSITION.

# 7. ADJUST pH TO 7.0 STANDARD.

The needle should read the pH of the standard 7.0 buffer. Adjust calibration knob if necessary.

#### 8. CHECK CALIBRATION WITH 4.0 OR 10.0 BUFFER STANDARD.

At least **once a week**, a check must be made to determine if the meter will read lower or higher pH. If sewage samples are running 7.0 and lower, standardization with a 4.0 buffer is recommended. After calibrating to 7.0 pH:

Switch meter to Standby

Rinse probe with distilled water

Immerse the probe in the 4.0 buffer

Switch meter to "pH"

Adjust meter to pH 4.0

Re-calibrate meter to 7.0 and proceed with tests

#### 9. SWITCH TO STANDBY.

#### 10. REMOVE THE PROBE FROM BUFFER AND RINSE

Rinse with distilled water. Discard the standard buffer. Do <u>not</u> put it back into the bottle.

#### 11. IMMERSE THE PROBE IN THE SAMPLE

Use about 20 mls sample in a clean beaker

# 12. SWITCH TO "pH" POSITION

#### 13. READ pH DIRECTLY OFF SCALE

Allow 1 - 2 minutes for stabilization prior to recording measurement.

#### 14. SWITCH TO STANDBY

#### 15. REMOVE THE PROBE AND RINSE

#### 16. LEAVE THE PROBE IMMERSED IN THE BUFFER

The probe should be continuously soaked in the buffer which has the pH value closest to the suspected pH of the sample to be measured.

The pH meter must be calibrated before each use.

3. Standard ferrous ammonium sulfate (FAS) titrant.

Dissolve 1.106 g Fe(NH<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>(SO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub> • 6 H<sub>2</sub> O in distilled water containing 1 mL 1+ 3 H<sub>2</sub> SO<sub>4</sub> and make up to 1 L with freshly boiled and cooled distilled water. This standard may be used for 1 month, and the titrant checked by potassium dichromate.

# **PROCEDURE**

The quantities given below are suitable for concentrations of total chlorine up to 5 mg/L. If total chlorine exceeds 5 mg/L, use a smaller sample and dilute to a total volume of 100 mL. Mix usual volumes of buffer reagent and DPD indicator solution, or usual amount of DPD powder, with distilled water *before* adding sufficient sample to bring total volume to 100 mL. (If sample is added before buffer, test does not work.)

#### To test for chlorine residual

1. In a titration flask:

Place 5 mL **each** of buffer reagent and DPD indicator solution in titration flask and mix. Add a few crystals of KI and remix. Add 100 mL sample, or diluted sample, and mix.

- 2. For Free chlorine residual:
  - Titrate rapidly with standard FAS titrant until red color is discharged.
  - Buret reading is mg/L Free Chlorine Residual
- 3. For total or combined chlorine residual.
  - Titrate after 2 minutes standing.
  - Buret reading is mg/L Total or Combined Chlorine residual

### CALCULATIONS

Buret readings are direct mg/L Cl<sub>2</sub> residual readings.

#### 5. DILUTION WATER

Dilution water is prepared by adding 1 ml each of solution #1 (calcium chloride), #2 (magnesium sulfate) and #3 (iron (III) chloride) in that order to each liter of distilled water. This solution is then aerated by shaking partially filled bottles or by bubbling clean compressed air through the liquid for 24 hours. The solution should then be allowed to stand 24 hours. Just before use, add enough of solution #3 (phosphate buffer) to adjust the pH of the dilution water to a pH of 7.0, usually 1 ml/liter of water.

Alternatively, distilled water may be aerated and stored with the four solutions added just before use. This would be the case in using pre-prepared buffer solution (pillows). Be sure to check and adjust pH to neutral (7.2) with phosphate buffer if necessary.

In any case, dilution water with phosphate added should not be stored. Mix a new batch with each BOD setup. Use well-cleaned containers to avoid DO depletion in dilution water.

#### **PROCEDURE**

#### 1. SET UP BOD BOTTLES

At least three different dilutions can be set up for each sample. Initial DO on each dilution and final DO on each sample must be determined. In addition, initial and final DO should be determined on the dilution water. Do not contaminate the dilution water bottles with the DO meter stir probe. Take the initial DO on an extra dilution water bottle, discard, and record this as the initial DO on the other bottles.

#### 2. PREPARE SAMPLE DILUTIONS

Dilutions are made directly in the BOD bottles, sample added then dilution water added to fill the BOD bottle. Dilutions must be adjusted to meet the criteria of DO depletion of at least 2.0 mls DO dropped in 5 days with a residual DO of at least 1.0 DO after 5 days incubation.

Check sample pH prior to dilutions set up. PH must be within 6.5 - 8.5. Samples outside this range must have pH adjusted to a 7.0 using the phosphate buffer solution. Many samples must be seeded.

#### 3. RUN INITIAL DO

Take the initial DO of each sample bottle (excluding dilution water mentioned earlier). Take this DO with the DO meter using the stir probe that is standardized each morning or before each test. Record bottle number and initial DO for each bottle. Be sure to allow sample and dilution water to equilibrate to 20°C prior to measurement of initial DO.

Initial DO's at 20°C should be less than 9 mg/l. Supersaturated samples must be aerated (shake sample vigorously). Failure to aerate sample will cause a loss of sample oxygen naturally during incubation and add a positive bias to test result.

# Dissolved Oxygen (Winkler Azide Modification)

## INTRODUCTION

Dissolved oxygen (DO) represents the amount of oxygen dissolved in a sample of water or sewage at the time of the test. The test for DO is an important part of the biochemical oxygen demand (BOD) test. It is also used to provide other information about the sewage and the treatment plant operation.

In this test, the Winkler azide modification of the iodometric method, the first three solutions added to the sample cause the oxygen in the water to be replaced by reddish-brown iodine. The starch indicator solution is added to show the presence of the iodine. The final chemical, sodium thiosulfate, is used to remove the iodine. When the blue color disappears, all the iodine has been removed. The amount of sodium thiosulfate used to remove the iodine is then proportional to the amount of DO in the sample.

# **EQUIPMENT**

3, five-ml measuring pipets with bulbs (or 3, two-ml automatic pipets)

300 ml glass stoppered BOD bottles

200 ml graduated cylinder calibrated at 203 ml or 200 ml volumetric flask calibrated at 203 ml

500 ml wide-mouth Erlenmeyer flask

50 ml buret, with 0.1 ml graduations

### REAGENTS

	Manganese (II) Sulfate tetrahydratE	MnSO <sub>4</sub> • 4 H <sub>2</sub> O
or	Manganese (II) Sulfate dihydrate	MnSO <sub>4</sub> • 2 H <sub>2</sub> O
or	Manganese (II) Sulfate monohydrate	MnSO <sub>4</sub> • H <sub>2</sub> Ō
	Sodium hydroxide	NaOH
	Potassium iodide	KI
	Sodium azide	NaNa
	Sulfuric acid (conc., 36N)	H₂SŎ₄
	Sodium thiosulfate pentahydrate	NaS203 • 5 H20
	Starch (potato, arrowroot, or soluble)	20 2

#### SOLUTION PREPARATION

Manganese (II) Sulfate Solution
 Dissolve 480 g. MnSO<sub>4</sub> • 4 H<sub>2</sub>O, 400 g. MnSO<sub>4</sub> • 2 H<sub>2</sub>O, or 364 g. MnSO<sub>4</sub> • H<sub>2</sub>O in 400 to 600 ml distilled water. Filter and add enough distilled water to make one liter of solution.

#### **PROCEDURE**

# 1. Collect the Sample

in a 300 ml (BOD) bottle. Fill the bottle completely. Avoid aerating the liquid and trapping air under the glass stopper.

# 2. Add 1 ml Manganese (II) Sulfate Solution

below the surface of the liquid in the 300 ml BOD bottle.

# 3. Add 1 ml Alkaline-Iodide-Sodium Azide Solution

below the surface of the liquid.

# 4. Replace Stopper, Rinse, and Mix.

Rinse under running water and mix by inverting 15 times. Be careful to avoid trapping air in the bottle when the stopper is replaced.

#### 5. Allow Floc to Settle Half Way.

The floc may appear in a range of color from white to brown.

# 6. Repeat Mixing and Settle Half Way.

#### 7. Add 1 ml Concentrated Sulfuric Acid.

Add acid by allowing it to run down the neck of the bottle above the surface of the liquid.

# 8. Replace Stopper, Rinse, and Mix.

Mix by inverting until precipitate has dissolved. **CAUTION:** Handle bottle careful to avoid acid burns. The solution should now appear translucent reddish-brown.

#### 9. Transfer 201 mls to 500 ml Flask.

The 201 mls must be measured exactly with either a graduated cylinder or volumetric flask. At this point, aeration is immaterial.

#### 10. Titrate with 0.025 N Sodium Thiosulfate to Straw Color.

Titrate by adding the thio dropwise from a buret while swirling the flask. Be sure to record an initial volume reading from the buret.

#### 11. Add Starch Indicator Solution.

A small amount (1 ml) of starch indicator solution is sufficient. One squirt from a plastic squirt bottle is sufficient.

# 12. Continue Titrating to End Point.

The "end-point" of the titration is reached when the blue color barely disappears. Further addition of sodium thiosulfate to a clear solution will lead to incorrect results. After reaching a proper "end-point", the blue color should reappear upon standing. This is normal. Do not add more sodium thiosulfate.

# Standardization of Sodium Thiosulfate

### INTRODUCTION

Sodium thiosulfate used in the Winkler DO determination is made up as 0.025N NaS<sub>2</sub>O3. However it is difficult to make up thiosulfate solution exactly; and, since the accuracy of the DO determination depends on the concentration of the thiosulfate, it is required to standardize it each time a new solution is prepared. Since thiosulfate decomposes rapidly, it may also be necessary to standardize the solution at least weekly.

One need not alter the concentration of the thiosulfate if it is off, but a correction factor must be applied to the volume of thiosulfate used in the DO determination.

The 0.025 N sodium thio solution should be standardized against 0.025 N potassium bi-iodate, which is a primary standard.

#### **EQUIPMENT**

20 ml volumetric pipette 10 ml transfer pipette with bulb 500 ml wide-mouth Erlenmeyer flasks 50 ml burette with 0.1 ml graduations

#### REAGENTS

Potassium bi-iodate KH(IO3)2
Sulfuric acid (conc., 36N) H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>
Starch (potato, arrowroot, or soluble powder
Potassium iodide
(reagent grade Il crystals) KI

#### SOLUTION PREPARATION

1. Standard Potassium bi-iodate (KH(IO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>) (0.025 N)

The KH(IO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> should be dried for at least 2 hours at 103° C before preparation. A volumetric flask should be used to measure the final one liter volume. Use as much accuracy as possible since this is the primary standard.

#### For 0.025 N Potassium Dichromate:

Weigh out exactly 1812.4 mg KH(IO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> and dissolve in distilled water. Bring to one liter final volume with distilled water.

The net thio volume used in the Winkler DO determination is then multiplied by the correction factor to adjust for the use of thiosulfate which was not the correct normality. Thio standardization data should accompany all DO and BOD data.

The actual normality of the thiosulfate can be calculated from this data although it is not used directly to correct the DO value.

N, thio = 
$$(N, KH(IO3)2) (ml, KH(IO3)2)$$
  
ml, thio

$$= \frac{(0.025) (20)}{\text{ml, thio}}$$

8. **RUN FINAL DO.** After 5 days

# **CALCULATIONS**

for chlorinated, seeded samples:

Adjusted Initial DO - Final DO X Dilution Factor = Final Effluent BOD

\*Seed Correction Factor\*

mg/l DO Seed Depletion
mls of seed to get depletion

X mls of seed added to sample

SUBTRACT SEED CORRECTION FACTOR FROM INITIAL DO'S TO ADJUST FOR SEED

# **Quality Control Test for BOD**

Run glucose/glutamic acid standard with each set up. Theoretical BOD of standard is 200  $\pm$  37 mg/l. The standard requires seeding.

# **Dechlorination for BOD**

## INTRODUCTION

The BOD test is based upon the fact that bacteria will consume the organic fraction of waste that is available to them. In the process of using this material, oxygen is consumed. The measurement of the amount of oxygen consumed in a five-day period at 20°C is the basis for the BOD test.

Since living organisms are necessary for completion of the test, we must remove the disinfectant from the sample to insure their survival.

# **SOLUTION PREPARATION**

SODIUM SULFITE SOLUTION, 0.025 N
 Dissolve 1.575 g anhydrous sodium sulfite (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub>) in 1000 mls distilled water.
 NOTE: THIS SOLUTION IS NOT STABLE; PREPARE DAILY.

#### 2. STARCH INDICATOR SOLUTION

Add 5 g soluble starch powder to a small amount of distilled water and stir into a slurry. With stirring, pour the slurry into 800 ml of boiling distilled water. Add enough distilled water to bring to one liter of solution. Again bring to a boil for a few minutes and let settle overnight. Use only the clear supernate solution. This solution may be preserved by adding a few drops of toluene (C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>)

#### **PROCEDURE**

- 1. MEASURE 100 ml OF CHLORINATED SAMPLE into a 500 mls Erlenmeyer flask.
- 2. ADD A FEW CRYSTALS OF POTASSIUM IODIDE.
- 3. ADD SULFURIC ACID.

Add 1 ml of concentrated sulfuric acid (H2SO4) and mix well.

# 4. ADD STARCH.

Add about 1 ml starch. If no blue color is produced, chlorine is absent; the BOD of the sample may be determined following chlorinated BOD procedures without further treatment.

#### 5. TITRATE WITH SODIUM SULFITE

If a blue color is produced after adding starch, titrate the sample using 0.025 N sodium sulfite (Na<sub>2</sub> SO<sub>3</sub>) to the colorless end-point. Make the titration very slowly, counting the drops of sodium sulfite used and record this number.

# **Suspended Solids**

## INTRODUCTION

Suspended solids are those solids which can be trapped on a glass fiber filter. By this definition, suspended solids will also include settleable solids. The suspended solids test is one of the primary criteria used to evaluate effluent quality. A well-run wastewater plant should operate below 20 mg/l of suspended solids in the final effluent.

#### PRELIMINARY PROCEDURES

#### 1. PLACE GLASS FIBER FILTER IN FILTER.

Make sure the rough side of the filter is up. The smooth side generally has small grid marks visible. Use forceps to handle filter discs.

#### 2. WASH THE FILTER.

Using a plastic wash bottle with distilled water, wet the filter while applying a gentle vacuum. Use three washes of about 20 mls each.

#### 3. DRY FILTER,

Place washed filter in a clean aluminum pan and dry for 1 hour at 103°C in drying oven.

#### 4. PLACE FILTER AND PAN IN DESICCATOR.

After they have been cleaned, washed and cooled the filter may be stored in its aluminum pan in the desiccator until needed.

#### TESTING PROCEDURE

#### 1. REMOVE FILTER AND PAN FROM DESICCATOR.

Use crucible tongs. Filter and pan should remain in the desiccator at least 30 minutes.

#### 2. WEIGH FILTER AND PAN.

Record the weight of the pan plus the filter to four decimal places at "dry filter weight."

#### 3. PLACE FILTER IN FUNNEL.

First place filter over funnel, add distilled water and vacuum to "seat" filter. Use tongs, do not touch filter with your fingers. Make sure all the holes are covered.

#### 4. WITH VACUUM ON, APPLY SAMPLE TO FUNNEL.

See note at the end of this procedure regarding sample volumes.

# SUGGESTED SAMPLE SIZE FOR SUSPENDED SOLIDS

**TYPE OF SAMPLE** 

**VOLUME** 

Raw Sewage

50 to 200 mls

**Primary Effluent** 

200 mls

Final Effluent

1000 mls

# **QA/QC NOTE:**

The analytical balance must be serviced annually by a certified repairman.

NBS Class S weights should be available for routine checks on balance to ensure instrument is in calibration between servicing.

Duplicate samples should be run periodically to check for reproducible results.

#### SAMPLE PREPARATION

#### 1. COLLECTION

Use well-cleaned sample bottles which have been given a final rinse with distilled water and sterilized by autoclaving at 120°C and 15 psi for 15 minutes or 170°C for 1 hour in dry oven.

If the sample is to be taken from chlorinated water, sodium thiosulfate must be used to stop the bactericidal action of chlorine. The sodium thiosulfate should be added to the clean bottles before sterilization. Add enough to make an appropriate concentration of 100 mg per liter of sample. 0.2 ml of 10% sodium thiosulfate in a 300 mls sample bottle is sufficient.

#### 2. SAMPLE VOLUME

The size of sample is limited by the number of bacteria present. Ideally one should use a sample which would result in 40 colonies on the filter. The acceptable range is 20 to 60 colonies per plate. If the approximate number of bacteria in the sample is known, refer to the table below to find the appropriate sample volume:

<b>ESTIMATED CO</b>	SAMPLE VOLUME	
FROM	TO	ML
2000	6000	1 ml
400	1200	5 mls
200	600	10 mls
100	300	20 mls
40	120	50 mls
20	60	100 mls

If the estimated number of bacteria is greater than 6000/100 ml, dilute in 100 ml dilution bottles until the table can be used. Never apply a sample to the filter of less than 1 ml. If less than 1 ml is called for, dilute and apply a larger volume. (Refer to Sample Dilution Section of Dilution Techniques.)

If the number of bacteria is not known, apply volumes of 100, 10 and 1 ml and the same volumes of 1:100 dilutions. Make all dilutions with sterile buffered water.

# **PROCEDURE**

#### 1. ARRANGE EQUIPMENT

In a convenient manner; clean and disinfect laboratory bench area using household bleach or equivalent.

#### 2. PREPARE PETRI DISHES

- · Place absorbent pad in each petri dish. Do not leave lid off dish between transfers.
- Add MFC media to each petri dish. Either empty vial or transfer approximately 2
  mls of media onto each pad. A minimum of "extra" media is recommended; enough
  to provide nutrients, not too much to drown the organisms.

Filtered samples must be placed in incubator within 30 minutes of sample filtration. Diluted samples must be filtered within 30 minutes from dilution.

#### 10. PLACE THE PETRI DISH IN WATER BATH INCUBATOR

at 44.5 + 0.2°C and 90 - 100% humidity. Be sure the temperature has stabilized. Incubators must be equipped with a thermometer which is graduated in 0.1°C increments and routinely checked against a NBS or ASTM certified thermometer. Dishes should be completely submerged in an inverted position. Place dishes in "Whirl Pac" bags to protect from water leakage. It may be necessary to weigh down the bags to completely submerge the dishes.

Incubation time is  $24 \pm 2$  hours. Document date/time that filters are placed and removed from incubator. Document incubator temperature when filters were placed in and taken out of incubator.

#### 11. OBSERVE COLONIES.

After 24 hours, remove the plates from the incubator and count the fecal coliform colonies. The typical fecal coliform colony will appear as a blue colony. A binocular dissecting microscope with a daylight fluorescent light source will aid in counting. Record for each plate the number of colonies counted on the data sheet.

# **CALCULATIONS**

The number of bacteria present in the original sample should be reported as the number of bacteria per 100 mls original sample. Remember that one colony represents one bacterium from the original sample. In general, the formula for calculation is as follows:

Colonies/100 mls =  $\frac{\text{number of colonies } \times 100 \times \text{dilution factor}}{\text{volume of sample, ml}}$ 

#### QA/QC Note

Dilution water blank should be run with each analysis.

A "positive" test should be run periodically (using raw or primary sewage). A count of TNTC should be achieved.

### 3. MAKE DILUTIONS.

Using sterile Buffered Dilution Water, prepare 3 decimal dilutions of the sample (see Table). Follow steps 4 to 8 for each of the dilutions.

#### 4. ADD TO VIALS.

Open the sealed package and remove 5 A-1 Medium Broth Tubes. Remove the cap and pipette 10 mls of sample into each tube with a sterile pipette. Do not touch the open end of the tube or the inside of the cap.

# 5. MIX.

Replace the cap after sample addition. Invert the tube 3 to 5 times to mix and to eliminate any air bubbles trapped in the inner vial.

#### 6. INCUBATE.

Incubate at  $35 \pm 0.5$ °C for 3 hours. After 3 hours, invert the tube to remove trapped air in the inner vial; then continue to incubate at  $44.5 \pm 0.2$ °C for an additional 21 hours.

#### 7. READ AND RECORD

After 24 ± 2 hours, check each tube.

- If the inner vial contains gas bubbles, fecal coliform bacteria are present.
- If no gas is present, fecal coliform are not present.

#### 8. REPORTING

Report MPN according to following table:

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6. What were the impacts of the violation(s) on people, the environment, property, or wildlife? Describe the amounts of the materials involved, toxicity of the materials, duration of the violation(s), opacity, etc.

The principal impact was on the integrity of the NPDES program. The NPDES program is a self-monitoring program and is totally dependent upon honest and accurate reporting of monitoring data. The program is also totally dependent upon the permittees to have in place and to conduct adequate quality assurance of the laboratory programs and of the data generated. The lack of adequate quality control and intentional falsification of data reported on the discharge monitoring reports undermines the entire program as well as calls into question the reliability of all data from this permittee.

7. Did you interview the permittee or one of its employees? Describe your interview and the permittees statements. Did the permittee admit to the violations?

I interviewed the permittee at the time of the inspection and by telephone later. The permittee admitted that the monitoring data for biochemical oxygen demand for the two days in question (1998-12-09 and 1998-12-17) were fictious because the actual analytical results could not be correct. The inspection report includes documentation for these two days. It is not known how many other instances of fictious data exist at this facility.

8. Was the permittee cooperative in correcting or trying to correct the violation(s)? Explain.

Yes

9. Has the violation(s) been corrected?

To the best of my knowledge, an adequate quality control program has not been implemented. It is unknown how many instances of false data exist in the records of this facility.

10. Did the permittee gain an economic benefit as a result of the violation(s)? If yes, state how much and show in detail how you determined that amount.

The permittee may have gained an economic benefit by avoiding implementation of an adequate quality control program, which would have ensured that reliable and accurate data were generated and would have led to proper corrective action (instead of the plant personnel making up data).

#### GENERAL FORMULAS, CONTINUED

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33. Chlorine Demand: CD, mg/l = (Cl dose ~ Cl Resid.), mg/l
34. Pounds of Chlorine ppd Cl = (Cl demand + Cl Resid.), mg/l x 8.34 x Q,HGD
Used per Day:
35. Degrees Colsius to Degrees Fahrenheit:
36. Degrees Fahrenheit Deg C = 5/9 (Degrees F ~ 32)
to Degrees Celsius:
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# Formulas used to Analyze Power and Electricity: Water Horsepower: WHP = Total Head (TH), ft x 8,34 x Flourate (Q), GPM

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38.
     Brake Horsepower: BHP = WHP/Ep
                                           where Ep is the pump efficiency
                                           expressed as a decimal
     Hotor Horsepower
                        HHP = BHP/Em
                                           where Em is the motor efficiency
                                           expressed as a decimal
     or Wire to Wire:
     Equations to Analyze Power:
                                      w = watts, power
                                     kw * kilowatts = 1000w, power
                                     HP = horsepower, power -
         w = V x A x pf x \sqrt{g}
41.
                                      V = volts, energy-transfer capability
42.
         HP = kw/0.7457
                                      A = amps, electrical current
43.
         kw = V \times A/1000
                                     pf = power factor, a phase difference
44.
         V = \lambda \times R
                                       # = power phase, usually 1 or 3
                                       R = resistance in ohms, retardance to
                                           the flow of current
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#### Chemistry Formulas for Water and Wastewater:

M = molarity

45.	pH = -log H + conc, if N = normality
	the conc is in M. FW = formula weight
	H = hydrogen lon concentration, Molarity
46.	$H^{+} = 10^{-pH}$ pH = negative log of the H ion conc.
47.	Weight Concentration: C, g/l = <u>Weight of Solute, q</u> Volume of Solution, 1
48.	Holarity: H = <u>Moles of Solute</u> , where IH = <u>1 FW, grams</u> Volume of Solution, 1 volume, i liter
49.	Normality: N = <u>Equivalents of Solute</u> , where IN = <u>IM</u> Volume of Solution, I No. of Equiv

#### FORMULAS REQUIRED FOR WASTEWATER TREATMENT

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C_{mg/1} = D1 - D2, where D1 = D0 at day 0, mg/1
     Concentration of BOD
                                                          D2 = D0 at day 5,mg/l
     Standard 5-day:
                                                           P = <u>wis of Sample</u>
                                                                Bottle Volume, mls
                               C,mg/1 = (D1 - D2), at 4-days
51. Concentration of BOD
                                                               x 0.68
     4-day corrected to 5-day:
                               C, mg/1 = (D1 - D2), at 6-days \times 0.68
52. Concentration of BOD
     6-day corrected to 5-day:
     It must be remembered that the BOD results obtained from a 4- or 6- day
     test are not valid when reporting lab results to the authorities. The
     stabilization factors used in these formulas represent a rate constant (k)
     of 0.10. This constant varies from waste to waste.
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FORMULAS REQUIRED FOR WASTEWATER TREATMENT, CONTINUED
        Population Equivalent (PE) is an estimate of the population \
£ 53.
                          PE = Flowrate(Q), gallons per day
           By Flowrate:
                                100 gallons per person per day
                          PE = Pounds per day of BOD in the Influent
           By BOD:
                               0.20 pounds of BOD per person per day
 55.
           By TSS:
                          PE = Pounds per day of TSS in the Influent
                                0.22 pounds of TSS per person per day
  56. BOD Organic Loading Rate to
                                      OL = BOD.mg/l \times B.34 lbs/qal \times Q. MGD
       the Lagoon, ppd BOD/Acre:
                                                 Pond area, In Acres
                               RSS, ml/l = Volume of Sludge that Settles at
      Raw Sludge Settling
       also Settleable Solids:
                                            the Bottom of an Imhoff Cone after
                                            30 minutes, expressed as ml/1
  58. Primary Clarifier
                                 RSP, gpm = (Sett Sols), mi/l x Q, gpm
       Raw Sludge Pumping:
                                                   1 000 mls/1
          Trickling Filter Equations (TF) necessary to analyze the process:
 59.
           Hydraulic Load
                               HL, gpd/SF = Flowrate Applied to the TF, and
           Rate(HL):
                                                 Top Area of the TF, SF
 60.
           Organic Load
                          OL, ppd BOD/KCF = ppd BOD in the Primary Effluent
                                                OVolume of the TF, KCF
           Rate(OL):
  61.
                                     Flow being Returned, Qr. MGD
           Recirculation:
                                Flow from the Primary Clarifier, Qi, HGD
           Ratio(Rr):
           TF Applied Flowrate(Qa):
                                       Qa = Qr + Al
 62.
          Activated Sludge Equations (AS) necessary to analyze the process:
 63.
           Sludge Settling Volume: SSV, ml/l = Volume of Sludge that settles
                                     to the Bottom of a Settlometer at the
                                     end of 30 minutes expressed as ml/i
 64.
           Sludge Volume Index:
                                     SVI, ml/g = SSV, ml/l \times 10^3
                                                   HLSS,mg/l
 65.
           Sludge Density Index:
                                    SDI, k = 100/SVI, where the SDI is the
                                    percent of sludge by weight that occupie:
                                    a unit of volume in a clarifler
           Conventional Sludge Age, SA:
                                    lbs = MLSS, mq/l x 8.34 lbs/gal x Volume
 66.
                 Aerator Solids
                                           the Aeration Basin(s), MG
                 Inventory:
  67.
                 Aerator
                            lbs BOD/day = C, BOD, mq/1 in pe x 8.34 x Q, HGD
                 Loading:
  68.
                 SAss:
                                T, days = V of AB, HG x HLSS, mq/1 x 8.34
                                             pess, mg/1 \times Q, MGD \times B.34
                 SABOD:
                               T, days = V of AB, MG x MLSS, mg/1 x 8,34
  69.
                                             peBOD, mg/1 x Q, MGD x 8.34
  70.
           Food to Micro- F/M = peBOD, mg/1 \times 8.34 \times Q, MGD
                                  MLSS, mg/l x B.34 x V of AB, MG
           organism Ratio:
                                  NOTE: Use MLVSS instead of MLSS if available
 71.
                           HCRT, days = Pounds of Sollds in the AS Process
           Hean Cell
                                         ppd of Solids Leaving the AS Process
           Residence Time:
  72.
           Oxygen Uptake
                                             = The average concentration, in :
           Rate, OUR, mg/1 Op/min:
                                               of Oxygen consumed during one i
 73.
           Specific Oxygen Utilization
                                             = OUR x 60 minutes/hour x 1 000
                                               Volatile Suspended Solids, mg/
           Rate, SOUR, mg/1 Dg/g TVSS/hr:
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# 4.12 POPULATION LOADING AND POPULATION EQUIVALENT

#### POPULATION LOADING

Population loading is a calculation associated with wastewater treatment by ponds. Population loading is an indirect measure of both water and solids loading to a system. It is calculated as the number of persons served per acre of pond:

Example 1: (Population Loading)

 $\square$  A 3.5 acre wastewater pond serves a population of 1500. What is the population loading on the pond?

Population Loading = 
$$\frac{\text{persons}}{\text{acre}}$$

$$= \frac{1500 \text{ persons}}{3.5 \text{ acres}}$$

$$= \frac{429 \text{ persons}}{\text{acre}}$$

Example 2: (Population Loading)

A wastewater pond serves a population of 4000. If the pond is 16 acres, what is the population loading on the pond?

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