

1 Pollution Control Agency

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3 Adopted Permanent Rules Relating to Water Quality Permit Fees

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5 Rules as Adopted

6 7002.0220 DEFINITIONS.

7 Subpart 1. to 3. [Unchanged.]

8 Subp. 4. **Major NPDES facility; definition.** "Major NPDES  
9 facility" means a wastewater treatment discharger designated by  
10 the director and the regional administrator of the United States  
11 Environmental Protection Agency as part of the annual work plan  
12 that is developed in accordance with and that is subject to the  
13 public participation requirements of Code of Federal  
14 Regulations, title 40, part 35, and subject to review and  
15 approval of the agency. The agency and the United States  
16 Environmental Protection Agency shall designate the following  
17 types of facilities as major NPDES facilities unless the agency  
18 and the United States Environmental Protection Agency find that  
19 the facility does not have a potential for significantly  
20 impacting water quality:

21 A. and B. [Unchanged.]

22 C. a facility that is a primary industry as defined  
23 in Code of Federal Regulations, title 40, section 122.2, or  
24 other industry that discharges quantities of process wastewater,  
25 which are significant due to the volume, pollutant loading, or  
26 other discharge parameters or the character of the receiving  
27 water; or

28 D. [Unchanged.]

29 Subp. 5. **Municipal permit; definition.** "Municipal permit"  
30 means a permit issued to a municipality as defined in part  
31 7001.1020, subpart 18, for the discharge or disposal of  
32 wastewater which is five percent or more sewage. Permits issued  
33 to municipalities for facilities treating or disposing of waste  
34 that is less than five percent sewage shall be considered  
35 nonmunicipal permits.

1 Subp. 6. to 9. [Unchanged.]

2 7002.0250 APPLICATION FEE.

3 A person who applies for a permit to construct, install,  
4 modify, or operate a facility or applies for a permit  
5 modification as described in part 7001.0190 shall submit with  
6 the application the appropriate application fee. Failure to  
7 submit the fee renders the application incomplete and the agency  
8 shall suspend processing of the application until the fee is  
9 received. Application fees are nonrefundable.

10 7002.0260 PROCESSING FEE.

11 A permittee shall pay the applicable processing fee within  
12 30 days of issuance of the permit by the agency.

13 A permittee who applies for the modification of a permit in  
14 accordance with part 7001.0190, subpart 1, shall pay a  
15 processing fee of one-half of the fee listed in part 7002.0310.  
16 No processing fee shall be charged for a permit modified in  
17 accordance with part 7001.0190, subpart 2 or 3.

18 If a facility is a "small business" as defined in Minnesota  
19 Statutes, section 14.115, subdivision 1, or a municipal  
20 wastewater treatment plant with an average design flow of less  
21 than 30,000 gallons per day, the permittee may request to pay  
22 the processing fee in annual installments. Annual installments  
23 are determined by dividing the processing fee into equal annual  
24 payments based on the term of the permit. The first payment  
25 shall be made within 30 days of issuance of the permit and  
26 annually thereafter on the anniversary of issuance. A facility  
27 that qualifies as a "small business" must provide proof of that  
28 status upon application for a permit.

29 7002.0310 TABLE, WATER QUALITY PERMIT FEES.

30 Subpart 1. Major NPDES permit fees. The following fees  
31 shall be paid for major NPDES facilities:

32 A. Municipal permits:

| 33 | Design Flow |             |            |        |
|----|-------------|-------------|------------|--------|
| 34 | in Million  |             |            |        |
| 35 | Gallons per | Application | Processing | Annual |
| 36 | Day (MGD)   | Fee         | Fee        | Fee    |

|   |             |      |          |          |
|---|-------------|------|----------|----------|
| 1 |             |      |          |          |
| 2 | 50 and over | \$50 | \$52,200 | \$69,600 |
| 3 | 20 to 49.99 | 50   | 22,600   | 13,900   |
| 4 | 5 to 19.99  | 50   | 10,400   | 4,400    |
| 5 | Up to 4.99  | 50   | 4,900    | 1,700    |
| 6 |             |      |          |          |

7 B. Nonmunicipal permits:

|    |             |             |            |          |
|----|-------------|-------------|------------|----------|
| 8  | Design Flow |             |            |          |
| 9  | in Million  |             |            |          |
| 10 | Gallons per | Application | Processing | Annual   |
| 11 | Day (MGD)   | Fee         | Fee        | Fee      |
| 12 |             |             |            |          |
| 13 | 20 to 49.99 | \$50        | \$22,600   | \$15,700 |
| 14 | 5 to 19.99  | 50          | 12,500     | 5,200    |
| 15 | Up to 4.99  | 50          | 6,400      | 2,600    |
| 16 | Cooling or  |             |            |          |
| 17 | Mine Pit    |             |            |          |
| 18 | Dewatering  |             |            |          |
| 19 | (any flow)  | 50          | 12,500     | 5,200    |
| 20 |             |             |            |          |

21 Subp. 2. Nonmajor NPDES and state disposal permit fees.

22 The following fees shall be paid by a permittee not designated  
 23 as a major NPDES facility and by a permittee that has applied  
 24 for or received a state disposal system permit.

25 A. Municipal permits:

|    |               |             |            |        |
|----|---------------|-------------|------------|--------|
| 26 | Design Flow   |             |            |        |
| 27 | in Million    |             |            |        |
| 28 | Gallons per   | Application | Processing | Annual |
| 29 | Day (MGD)     | Fee         | Fee        | Fee    |
| 30 |               |             |            |        |
| 31 | Greater than  |             |            |        |
| 32 | .100          | \$50        | \$2,180    | \$240  |
| 33 | 0 to .100     | 50          | 1,040      | 90     |
| 34 | Sewage sludge |             |            |        |
| 35 | landspreading |             |            |        |
| 36 | facilities    | 50          | 1,040      | 90     |
| 37 |               |             |            |        |

38 B. Nonmunicipal permits:

|    |                    |             |            |        |
|----|--------------------|-------------|------------|--------|
| 39 | Design Flow        |             |            |        |
| 40 | in Million         |             |            |        |
| 41 | Gallons per        | Application | Processing | Annual |
| 42 | Day (MGD)          | Fee         | Fee        | Fee    |
| 43 |                    |             |            |        |
| 44 | Sewage 0 to        |             |            |        |
| 45 | .100               | \$50        | \$1,040    | \$90   |
| 46 | Other nonmunicipal |             |            |        |
| 47 | (any flow)         | 50          | 2,180      | 300    |
| 48 |                    |             |            |        |

49 Subp. 3. Other water quality permit fees. The following  
 50 application fees shall be paid by a permittee that has applied  
 51 for or received a general, sewer extension, or liquid storage  
 52 permit.

53 A. General, \$50;

54 B. Sewer extension, \$140; and

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1 C. Liquid storage, \$440.