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****NOI SUBMISSION REQUIRED FOR PERMIT AUTHORIZATION****

RE: Formal Notification of Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Automatic Designation

Dear Municipal Official,

Stormwater runoff from urbanized areas has been identified as a significant threat to the water quality of our nation's waters. The Federal Clean Water Act (Section 402) requires municipalities which operate a municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4) that is located within an urbanized area (as defined by the U.S. Census) to obtain a permit to discharge stormwater, unless they can qualify for a waiver in accordance with 40 CFR §122.32(d). The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (the Department) issued the SPDES General Permit for Stormwater Discharges from Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (GP-0-10-002) ("MS4 General Permit") so that operators of small MS4s can meet this requirement. The requirements are intended to reduce water pollution caused by urban runoff.

This letter is to inform you that all or part of your jurisdiction has been identified as being located within an urbanized area according to the 2010 Census; therefore your MS4 will come under the purview of the Clean Water Act's stormwater permitting requirements in accordance with 40 C.F.R. §122.32(a)(1). New York State regulations require that owners and operators of regulated MS4s obtain coverage under the MS4 General Permit and develop and implement a Stormwater Management Program (SWMP) to minimize the discharge of pollutants through and from their MS4 into waters of the State.

In order to gain coverage under the MS4 General Permit, you must submit a completed Notice of Intent (NOI) to the Department's Bureau of Water Permits at the address on this letterhead within 185 days from the date of this letter (November 18, 2013). Submitting an NOI is an affirmation that an initial SWMP has been established and will be implemented.

Once you submit your NOI and receive written notice that your MS4 is covered by the SPDES permit, you will have three years to fully develop your SWMP. The SWMP may be modified as experience and progress dictate provided that you make steady progress towards full implementation. You will be required to report on activities taken to meet interim milestones to demonstrate that you are in compliance with the permit requirements. It is expected that by the end of the first three years of permit coverage, you will have fully developed and will commence full implementation of your SWMP. You may obtain a copy of the MS4 General Permit and information on how to complete the NOI on the Department's website at <http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/43150.html>. Reference maps, resource documents, and information about waiver eligibility can be also be found at <http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8695.html>.

LIST OF REGIONAL DEC CONTACTS

<u>Region</u>	<u>COVERING THE FOLLOWING COUNTIES:</u>	<u>REGIONAL DEC CONTACT</u>	<u>DIVISION OF WATER (DOW) WATER (SPDES) PROGRAM</u>
1	NASSAU AND SUFFOLK	SARA DORMAN	50 CIRCLE ROAD STONY BROOK, NY 11790-3409 TEL. (631) 444-0485
2	BRONX, KINGS, NEW YORK, QUEENS AND RICHMOND	SELVIN SOUTHWELL	1 HUNTERS POINT PLAZA, 47-40 21ST ST. LONG ISLAND CITY, NY 11101-5407 TEL. (718) 482-4881
3	DUTCHESS, ORANGE, PUTNAM, ROCKLAND, SULLIVAN, ULSTER AND WESTCHESTER	PAT FERRACANE	100 HILLSIDE AVENUE, SUITE 1-W WHITE PLAINS, NY 10603 TEL. (914) 428-2505 X 35
4	ALBANY, COLUMBIA, DELAWARE, GREENE, MONTGOMERY, OTSEGO, RENSSELAER, SCHENECTADY AND SCHOHARIE	MARY BARRIE	1130 NORTH WESTCOTT ROAD SCHENECTADY, NY 12306-2014 TEL. (518) 357-2044
5	CLINTON, ESSEX, FRANKLIN, FULTON, HAMILTON, SARATOGA, WARREN AND WASHINGTON	BILL LUPO	232 GOLF COURSE ROAD WARRENSBURG, NY 12885-1172 TEL. (518) 623-1228
6	HERKIMER, JEFFERSON, LEWIS, ONEIDA AND ST. LAWRENCE	STEVE BOTSFORD	STATE OFFICE BUILDING 317 WASHINGTON STREET WATERTOWN NY 13601 TEL. (315) 785-2513
7	BROOME, CAYUGA, CHENANGO, CORTLAND, MADISON, ONONDAGA, OSWEGO, TIOGA AND TOMPKINS	JOE ZALEWSKI	615 ERIE BLVD. WEST SYRACUSE, NY 13204-2400 TEL. (315) 426-7500
8	CHEMUNG, GENESEE, LIVINGSTON, MONROE, ONTARIO, ORLEANS, SCHUYLER, SENECA, STEUBEN, WAYNE AND YATES	DIXON ROLLINS	6274 EAST AVON-LIMAR RD. AVON, NY 14414-9519 TEL. (585) 226-5450
9	ALLEGANY, CATTARAUGUS, CHAUTAUQUA, ERIE, NIAGARA AND WYOMING	JEFF KONSELLA	270 MICHIGAN AVE. BUFFALO, NY 14203-2999 TEL. (716) 851-7070

LIST OF MS4 WEB RESOURCES

DEC Resources

- MS4 Permit & Forms web page: <http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/43150.html>
- MS4 Toolbox web page: <http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8695.html>
- Resources for Newly Designated MS4s web page:
<http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/9006.html>
- Partners Available to Assist MS4s web page: <http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/9004.html>

EPA Resources

- EPA MS4 Designation Document: <http://www.epa.gov/npdes/pubs/fact2-1.pdf>
- EPAs MS4 Fact Sheet Series: <http://cfpub.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater/swfinal.cfm>
- EPA Menu of Best Management Practices:
<http://cfpub.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater/menuofbmps/index.cfm>
- National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES):
<http://cfpub.epa.gov/npdes/index.cfm>

Other Resources

- Stormwater Managers Resource Center: <http://www.stormwatercenter.net/>
- Center of Watershed Protection: <http://www.cwp.org/smrc>
- Project WET: <http://projectwet.org/>
- County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) Offices: <http://www.nys-soilandwater.org/DisLawPPT/dislaw.html>
- County Water Quality Coordinating Committee Contacts (WQCC): <http://www.nys-soilandwater.org/cwqcc/index.html>
- New York Association of Regional Councils (NYSARC): <http://www.nysarc.com/>
- Finger Lakes-Lake Ontario Watershed Protection Alliance (FOLLOWPA):
<http://www.fllowpa.org/>
- On-Line Stormwater Training Videos:
<http://www.ocgov.net/planning/environmentwater/StormwaterVideo5>
- Capital District Regional Planning Commission: <http://cdrpc.org>
- Stormwater Coalition of Albany County: <http://www.stormwateralbanycounty.org/>