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In compliance with the provisions of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended by the Clean Water Act of 1977 (33 U.S.C. 1251, et seq., the "Act"), Title 13 of the Indiana Code, Articles 5 and 15 of Title 327 the Indiana Administrative Code, and regulations adopted by the Environmental Rules Board, the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) is issuing this General National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit to regulate temporary discharges of wastewater into surface waters of the State of Indiana.

This permit is issued on: **March 14, 2025**

This permit is effective on: **April 1, 2025**

This permit expires on: **March 31, 2030**

In accordance with IC 13-15-3-6, 40 CFR 122.6, and 123.25, the conditions of the permit and authorization to discharge shall remain fully effective and enforceable after the expiration date of the permit for the time period authorized by the Notice of Coverage (NOC).



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## **1.0 GENERAL PERMIT COVERAGE**

### **1.1 Permit Area**

This master general (“general”) permit covers and is applicable to the entire state of Indiana.

### **1.2 Discharges Authorized/Covered by this Permit**

This general permit addresses temporary discharge(s) of wastewater from a point source to surface waters of the state of Indiana, including discharges through a separate storm sewer system. Types of discharges that may be covered under this permit include, but are not limited to, emergency discharges, discharges related to environmental cleanup activity, discharges resulting from testing of pilot projects, and dewatering operations which result in discharge(s) of contaminated water.

Dewatering associated with construction activities where the project has permit coverage under IDEM’s Construction Stormwater General Permit (CSGP) (issued pursuant to INRA00000) is allowable in lieu of coverage under this permit provided that appropriate sediment control measures are utilized and the discharge water is not contaminated.

To be authorized to discharge under this permit, temporary dischargers of wastewater must submit a Notice of Intent (NOI) in accordance with the requirements of Part 4.0 of this permit, using an NOI application form provided by IDEM.

After the submitted NOI form is reviewed by IDEM, IDEM will determine whether coverage under this general permit is granted or denied. If coverage is granted, IDEM shall notify the applicant of authorization and the effective date. Notification from IDEM will include requirements for monitoring and limits for applicable parameters based upon the characteristics of the discharge. Until IDEM issues an NOC that grants coverage for discharge, the discharge is not authorized under this permit and may not be initiated.

This General Permit for Temporary Discharges of Wastewater, ING420000, serves as an NPDES master general permit and is issued to be effective for a term of five years. Coverage under this permit is only valid for a maximum of 364 consecutive days from the effective date specified in the NOC. The Commissioner may grant or deny coverage under this permit or require an application for an individual permit.

Entities that obtain coverage under this permit are in compliance with the NPDES application requirements for such discharges. Any discharge of pollutants into surface waters of the state from a point source discharge, except for exclusions cited at 327 IAC 5-2-4, is prohibited unless in conformity with a valid NPDES permit.

Permittees who are granted general permit coverage will remain covered under this permit until the earliest of the following:

- a) 364 consecutive days after the effective date specified by the Commissioner in the NOC;
- b) IDEM's approval of the permittee's submittal of a Notice of Termination (NOT) (see Section 5.0);
- c) issuance or modification of an individual permit for the discharges covered by this general permit; or
- d) a final decision is made by IDEM either to revoke or to not reissue this general permit, at which time IDEM will identify a reasonable time period for covered dischargers to seek coverage under an alternative general permit or an individual permit. Coverage under this permit will terminate at the end of this identified time period.

Although this general permit is valid for five years, each regulated activity may only receive coverage for a maximum of 364 consecutive days. If coverage is needed for more than 364 consecutive days, then the applicant must apply for coverage under an individual permit.

### 1.3 Coverage Extension Requests

The following listing outlines the scenarios by which a permittee may request an extension of their existing approved term of general permit coverage. This shall be accomplished by the submittal of a Coverage Extension Request Form (CERF); this form is available by request. The submittal of an extension request form is not considered a request to renew coverage.

- a) Permittees who obtained general permit coverage after April 1, 2024, may seek an extension of coverage under this 2025 general permit renewal for a cumulative authorized permit term not to exceed 364 consecutive days in length. If IDEM is unable to renew this master general permit by its expiration date, permittees may seek an extension of coverage via an administrative extension of their discharge authorization until the master general permit is renewed.
- b) Permittees who obtain general permit coverage but who experience an unforeseen delay in the commencement of their project may file for an extension to establish a new discharge authorization period.

#### 1.4 Exclusions to Eligibility

The following discharges are not authorized by this permit:

- a) discharges directly to or to tributaries of waters that are designated as an Outstanding National Resource Water (ONRW) defined at IC 13-11-2-149.5 or discharges directly to an Outstanding State Resource Water (OSRW) defined at IC 13-11-2-149.6 and listed at 327 IAC 2-1-11(b), 327 IAC 2-1.3-3(d), or 327 IAC 2-1.5-19(b);
- b) discharges to a receiving stream when the discharge results in an increase in the ambient concentration of a pollutant which contributes to the impairment of the receiving stream for that pollutant as identified on the current 303(d) list of impaired waters;
- c) discharges containing water treatment additives (WTAs) which have not received prior written approval from IDEM for the specific additive, use, and dosage at the particular facility for which the NOI is submitted;
- d) discharges that take place within five hundred (500) yards upstream of a public water system surface water intake and cannot meet Indiana's public water supply standards;
- e) discharges of stormwater associated with industrial activity regulated under 327 IAC 15-6, or General NPDES Permit INRM00000;
- f) discharges of stormwater runoff from construction activities greater than one (1) acre regulated under IDEM's Construction Stormwater General NPDES Permit INRA00000;
- g) discharges from coal mining operations regulated under 327 IAC 15-7;
- h) discharges from a groundwater petroleum remediation system regulated under General NPDES Permit ING080000;
- i) discharges from a petroleum product terminal regulated under General NPDES Permit ING340000;
- j) discharges from a sand, gravel, dimension stone, or crushed stone operation regulated under General NPDES Permit ING490000;
- k) discharges of hydrostatic test water from a commercial pipeline regulated under General NPDES Permit ING670000;
- l) discharges to combined or sanitary sewer systems;
- m) discharges that are commingled with hazardous wastes or hazardous materials;
- n) bypasses or upsets of any kind from a treatment works or collection system;
- o) discharges that contain pollutants classified as bioaccumulative chemicals of concern (BCCs), other than mercury;
- p) intermittent discharges from a singular activity spanning longer than 364 days from start to finish;

- q) discharges for which the Commissioner requests an individual permit application; and
- r) wastewater discharges already regulated under an NPDES permit.

## 1.5 Fees (Application and Annual Maintenance)

Any person who seeks coverage under this general permit is required to remit an application fee with the NOI in accordance with 327 IAC 5-3-17. Persons covered by this general permit are also required by 327 IAC 5-3-17 to remit annual operating fees to IDEM for as long as coverage continues. Coverage under this general permit may be revoked for nonpayment of applicable fees as set forth in IC 13-18-20.

## 2.0 EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS

All permittees must control discharges as necessary to meet numeric and narrative water quality criteria for any discharges authorized by this permit, with compliance required upon beginning such a discharge.

### 2.1 Discharge Limitations

The NOC will set forth all applicable effluent limitations and monitoring requirements with which the permittee must comply. The following tables denote the minimum effluent limitations and monitoring requirements for all discharges covered under this general permit:

Table 1 [1]

Parameter	Quantity or Loading			Quality or Concentration			Monitoring Requirements	
	Monthly average	Daily maximum	Units	Monthly average	Daily maximum	Units	Measurement frequency*	Sample type
Discharge Flow[2][3]	Report	Report	MGD	----	----	----	Daily	Instantaneous
Total Flow [3]	----	Report	Mgal	----	----	----	1 x Monthly	Cumulative monthly total
Total Suspended Solids	----	----	----	35[**]	70[**]	mg/l	1 x Weekly	Grab
Oil & Grease	----	----	----	10	15	mg/l	1 x Weekly	Grab
[***]								

Table 2 [1]

Parameter	Quality or Concentration		Units	Monitoring Requirements	
	Daily minimum	Daily maximum		Measurement frequency	Sample type
pH [3]	6.0	9.0	s.u.	Daily	Grab

[1] See Section 2.2 of the permit for the minimum narrative limitations.

[2] Monitoring and reporting of discharge flow is required. The flow volume may be estimated.

[3] Samples and measurements taken as required in this section shall be representative of the volume and nature of the monitored discharge. Samples taken in compliance with the monitoring requirements in this section shall be taken at a point representative of the discharge but prior to entry into waters of the state. Test Methods shall be selected that will provide adequately sensitive data results.

[\*] Sampling frequencies listed are minimum frequencies. IDEM may require more frequent monitoring if deemed necessary.

[\*\*] IDEM will evaluate the NOI and other available information relating to the facility/site and the receiving waterbody to determine if more stringent limitations for Total Suspended Solids (TSS) are required.

[\*\*\*] IDEM will evaluate the NOI and other available information relating to the facility/site and the receiving waterbody to determine whether there is a need to include additional parameters, effluent limitations, and/or monitoring requirements. In accordance with 327 IAC 5-2-10 and 40 CFR 122.44, NPDES permit limits shall be based on either technology-based effluent limits (TBELs), (including TBELs developed on a case-by-case basis using best professional judgement (BPJ), where applicable) or water quality-based effluent limits (WQBELs), whichever is most stringent. Any additional effluent limitations and/or monitoring requirements will be included in the NOC which will advise the applicant of acceptance of coverage under this general permit.

## 2.2 Narrative Water Quality Limitations

At all times the discharge from any and all point sources specified within this permit shall not cause receiving waters:

- a) including waters within the mixing zone, to contain substances, materials, floating debris, oil, scum attributable to municipal, industrial, agricultural, and other land use practices, or other discharges that do any of the following:



- (1) will settle to form putrescent or otherwise objectionable deposits;
  - (2) are in amounts sufficient to be unsightly or deleterious;
  - (3) produce color, visible oil sheen, odor, or other conditions in such degree as to create a nuisance;
  - (4) are in amounts sufficient to be acutely toxic to, or to otherwise severely injure or kill aquatic life, other animals, plants, or humans;
  - (5) are in concentrations or combinations that will cause or contribute to the growth of aquatic plants or algae to such a degree as to create a nuisance, be unsightly, or otherwise impair the designated uses; and
- b) outside the mixing zone, to contain substances in concentrations that on the basis of available scientific data are believed to be sufficient to injure, be chronically toxic to, or be carcinogenic, mutagenic, or teratogenic to humans, animals, aquatic life, or plants.

### **3.0 MONITORING REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES**

#### **3.1 Required Sampling**

Samples shall be taken in accordance with the sample type specified in Section 2.1 of this general permit and as required by the NOC. After issuance of the NOC, the Commissioner may require the permittee to sample for additional parameters and/or meet additional effluent limitations. When this becomes the case, the permittee shall be notified in writing and given the reasons for the additional sampling requirement.

#### **3.2 Measurement Frequency**

Measurement frequency of each parameter is identified in Section 2.1 above or as identified in the NOC. The Commissioner may require the permittee to conduct more frequent measurement of one or more of these parameters. When this becomes the case, the permittee shall be notified in writing and given the reasons for the more frequent sampling requirement.

#### **3.3 Representative Sampling**

Samples and measurements taken in compliance with the monitoring requirements specified above and in the NOC shall be representative of the volume and nature of the discharge flow and shall be taken at times which reflect the full range and concentration of effluent parameters normally expected to be present. Samples shall not be taken at times to avoid showing elevated levels of any parameters. The samples and measurements shall be taken prior to mixing with any other waters and prior to discharging to the receiving stream.

### 3.4 Additional Monitoring by Permittee

When the permittee monitors any pollutant at the location(s) designated herein more frequently than required by this permit, using approved analytical methods as specified in Section 3.5 below, the results of this monitoring shall be included in the calculation and reporting of the values required in the monthly Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) and Monthly Monitoring Report (MMR). Such increased frequency shall also be indicated. Other monitoring data not specifically required in this permit (such as internal process or internal waste stream data) which is collected by or for the permittee need not be submitted unless requested by the Commissioner.

### 3.5 Testing Procedures

The analytical and sampling methods used shall conform to the version of 40 CFR 136 incorporated by reference in 327 IAC 5. Different but equivalent methods are allowable if they receive the prior written approval of the Commissioner and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. When more than one test procedure is approved for the purposes of the NPDES program under 40 CFR 136 for the analysis of a pollutant or pollutant parameter, the test procedure must be sufficiently sensitive as defined at 40 CFR 122.21(e)(3) and 122.44(i)(1)(iv).

### 3.6 Recording of Results

For each measurement or sample taken pursuant to the requirements of this general permit, the permittee shall maintain records of all monitoring information and monitoring activities, including:

- a) the place (outfall number), date, and time of sampling or measurements;
- b) the person(s) who performed the sampling or measurements;
- c) the dates the analyses were performed;
- d) the person(s) or laboratory who performed the analyses;
- e) the analytical techniques or methods used; and
- f) the results of all required analyses and measurements.

### 3.7 Reporting Monitoring Results

- a) The permittee shall submit complete federal DMRs and state MMRs to IDEM containing results obtained during the previous monitoring period which shall be submitted no later than the 28<sup>th</sup> day of the month following each completed monitoring period. The first report shall be submitted by the 28<sup>th</sup> day of the month following the first completed monitoring period.
- b) Forms that were not issued by IDEM must receive approval by IDEM before they may be used.

- c) DMRs must be signed and certified by a responsible corporate officer, or a general partner or the sole proprietor, or a principal municipal executive officer or ranking elected official, or his or her duly authorized representative. Such authorization must be submitted in writing and must explain the duties and responsibilities of the authorized representative.
- d) Permittees shall keep a duplicate copy of all completed and signed monitoring report forms submitted. These documents shall be retained either on-site at the permitted facility or in such a manner that the reports will be readily available for IDEM compliance staff review.

These reports shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, the DMR and the MMR. All reports shall be submitted to IDEM electronically by using the NetDMR application, upon registration, receipt of the NetDMR Subscriber Agreement, and IDEM approval of the proposed NetDMR Signatory. Access the NetDMR website (for initial registration and DMR/MMR submittal) via CDX at: <https://cdx.epa.gov/>. The Regional Administrator may request the permittee to submit monitoring reports to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency if it is deemed necessary to assure compliance with the permit.

### 3.8 Reporting Effluent Data on the Federal Discharge Monitoring Reports

- a) For parameters with monthly average WQBELs below the limit of quantitation (LOQ), daily effluent values that are less than the LOQ may be assigned a value of zero (0).
- b) For all other parameters for which the monthly average WQBEL is equal to or greater than the LOQ, calculations that require averaging of measurements of daily values (both concentration and mass) shall use an arithmetic mean, except the monthly average for *E. coli* shall be calculated as a geometric mean. When a daily discharge value is below the LOQ, a value of zero (0) shall be used for that value in the calculation to determine the monthly average unless otherwise specified or approved by the Commissioner.
- c) Effluent concentrations less than the limit of detection (LOD) shall be reported on the DMR forms as < (less than) the value of the LOD. For example, when a substance is not detected at a concentration of 0.1 µg/l, report the value as <0.1 µg/l.
- d) Effluent concentrations greater than or equal to the LOD and less than the LOQ that are reported on a DMR shall be reported as the actual value and annotated on the DMR to indicate that the value is not quantifiable.

### 3.9 Records Retention

All records and information resulting from the monitoring activities required by this permit, including all records of analyses performed and calibration and maintenance of instrumentation and recording from continuous monitoring instrumentation, shall be retained for a minimum of three (3) years. All records shall be kept at the permitted facility or in such a manner that the reports will be

readily available for IDEM compliance staff review. In cases where the original records are kept at another location, a copy of all such records shall be kept at the permitted facility. The three year retention requirement shall be extended:

- a) automatically during the course of any unresolved litigation regarding the discharge of pollutants by the permittee or regarding promulgated effluent guidelines applicable to the permittee; or
- b) as requested by the Regional Administrator of U.S. EPA or the Commissioner.

### 3.10 Electronic Reporting

IDEM is currently developing the technology and infrastructure necessary to allow compliance with the EPA Phase 2 e-reporting requirements per 40 CFR 127.16 and to allow electronic reporting of applications, notices, plans, reports, and other information not covered by the federal e-reporting regulations.

IDEM will notify the permittee when IDEM's e-reporting system is ready for use for one or more applications, notices, plans, reports, or other information. This IDEM notice will identify the specific applications, notices, plans, reports, or other information that are to be submitted electronically, and the permittee will be required to use the IDEM electronic reporting system to submit the identified application(s), notice(s), plan(s), report(s), or other information.

See Section 3.7, Reporting Monitoring Results, for the electronic reporting requirements for the monthly monitoring reports such as the DMR and MMR.

### 3.11 Reopening Clause

- a) This general permit may be modified, or alternately, revoked and reissued, after public notice and opportunity for hearing to include any applicable effluent limitation or standard issued or approved under 301(b)(2)(C),(D) and (E), 304 (b)(2), and 307(a)(2) of the Clean Water Act, when the effluent limitation or standard so issued or approved:
  - (1) contains different conditions or is otherwise more stringent than any effluent limitation in the permit; or
  - (2) controls any pollutant not limited in the permit.
- b) When this master general permit is modified or revoked and reissued all persons regulated under it will be notified by IDEM. Those persons notified under this Section shall, within one hundred twenty (120) days of the receipt of notification:
  - (1) submit a complete NOI containing the information required under the modified or reissued permit;

- (2) apply for an individual NPDES permit; or
- (3) submit a Notice of Termination (NOT) of discharge.

## **4.0 NOI REQUIREMENTS**

### **4.1 NOI Format**

A person seeking coverage under this general permit shall submit the appropriate NOI form for this specific general permit which will be provided by the Commissioner. The NOI form must be signed by a person who has the appropriate signatory authority as required by 40 CFR 122.22.

The NOI shall be submitted to IDEM in accordance with Section 4.3 of this general permit.

### **4.2 Deadlines for NOI Submittal**

An NOI shall be submitted at least forty-five (45) days before any discharge occurs. The Commissioner may, upon good cause shown in writing by the applicant, revise this submission deadline.

### **4.3 Submitting the NOI and Processing Fee**

The NOI and all supporting documents and fees shall be submitted according to the following:

- (1) Submit hard copies of the signed NOI form, mailing labels, checks, and other supporting documents, to this address:

Indiana Department of Environmental Management  
Office of Water Quality, Permits Administration Section  
100 North Senate Avenue, IGCN Room 1255  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204-2251

- (2) In addition to submitting a hard copy, the NOI and supporting documents may also be scanned electronically and submitted via e-mail to [OWQ@idem.IN.gov](mailto:OWQ@idem.IN.gov). As an alternative to mailing a check, the NOI fee may be remitted online by visiting IDEM's online payment portal at <https://www.in.gov/idem/resources/e-services/online-payment-options/>.

IDEM continues to develop means of electronic submittals for NOI and NOT forms. Upon availability and notification by the Commissioner of an electronic application process, a person may choose to or, may be required to, utilize this

process to file the NOI, NOT and other submission requirements. If the electronic application process does become a requirement and the person does not have the ability to submit NOIs or NOTs electronically, the permittee may request an exemption from the requirement which shall include the justification of the inability to utilize an electronic filing system.

#### 4.4 NOI Content Requirements

The following information must be included in an NOI:

- a) name, telephone number, mailing address, and email address of the owner or operator of the site, and the name, telephone number, mailing address, and email address of a contact person who is knowledgeable about the site;
- b) name, telephone number, mailing address, and email address for the contact person who will be responsible for the submission of monthly monitoring reports;
- c) the location address of the site itself, and the latitudinal and longitudinal coordinates of the center of the site;
- d) a brief description of the activities conducted at the site that result in the discharge;
- e) an estimate of the volume of wastewater to be discharged, in million gallons per day (mgd);
- f) the latitudinal and longitudinal coordinates of each point source location (including outfall numbers) that will be discharging wastewater from the short term/temporary discharge activities and also the location information for any sampling points which differ from any of the outfall locations;
- g) the name of the waters receiving each discharge;
- h) a written narrative that explains the analysis conducted by applicant to determine which pollutants to test for as potential pollutants of concern;
- i) data results for pollutants of concern for the water that will be discharged during this activity covered by the permit. Unless otherwise advised by IDEM, the applicant shall include a comprehensive set of data including scans for volatile and semi-volatile compounds and metals including the 126 Priority Pollutants listed in 40 CFR Part 423, Appendix A. Test Methods shall be selected that will provide adequately sensitive data results;
- j) facility location map which identifies, via names of nearby streets or permanent structures, the location of the site where the activity resulting in the discharge will be conducted; the location where the discharge will occur; and the waters receiving the discharge. The facility map must show boundaries which extend at least a one-mile radius beyond the facility property. Multiple maps may be used if the location of the receiving stream is sufficiently distant from the site that too much detail is lost on the site map if only one is used;

- k) information (including Material Data Safety Sheets) about any water treatment additives currently in use or planned to be used for the wastewater. Documentation must also be submitted that proves there has been prior IDEM approval of the WTA for its use at this site;
- l) site inquiry information must be provided (when contaminated groundwater will be discharged) to determine what soil or groundwater contamination should be expected in the wastewater to be discharged;
- m) a completed Potentially Affected Parties form (as required by IC 4-21.5) and mailing labels with mail codes (Mail Code 65-42 PS) inserted on the first line for each person listed. If known, please also provide the person's email address;
- n) proof of public notice in the newspaper publication of largest circulation in the area where the discharge will be occurring. The public notice shall consist of the following statement:

*“(Supply facility name, address, address of the location of the discharging facility)” is submitting a Notice of Intent to notify the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) of our intent to comply with the requirements under National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) master general permit ING420000 to discharge non-process wastewater on a temporary (no more than 364 consecutive calendar days) basis. This site will discharge wastewater “(describe activity resulting in discharge and type of discharge)” to (insert the name of the stream(s) or water body receiving the discharge(s)).*

Any person wishing further information about this discharge may contact *(supply facility contact person's name and telephone or e-mail information)*. The decision to issue coverage under this NPDES master general permit for this discharge is appealable as per IC 13-15-6. Any person who wants to be informed of IDEM's decision regarding granting or denying coverage to this facility under this NPDES permit, and who wants to be informed of procedures to appeal the decision, may contact IDEM's offices at [OWQWWPER@Idem.IN.gov](mailto:OWQWWPER@Idem.IN.gov) to be placed on a mailing list to receive notification of IDEM's decision.”

- o) the required permit application fee as per 327 IAC 5-3-17;
- p) a certification statement as set forth in 40 CFR 122.22 and signed by the authorized signatory; and
- q) Any additional information which IDEM deems necessary.

#### 4.5 Additional NOI Requirements

An amended NOI containing the information required by this general permit shall be submitted for covered activities prior to initiating one (1) of the following events:

- a) An NPDES point source discharge is added or deleted. This does not include the clarification of outfall location estimations to the same receiving water of less than three hundred (300) feet.
- b) The NPDES point source discharge location is changed to a different receiving water.

## 5.0 REQUESTING TERMINATION OF COVERAGE

If IDEM grants coverage under this general permit, the NOC will contain a specific time frame for the discharge authorization. If the permittee ceases all discharges covered by this permit to surface waters of the State prior to the end of the designated term of coverage, then the permittee shall complete and submit a NOT according to Section 4.3 of this permit.

The Termination Request must include the following information:

- a) Name of Project/Facility/Site;
- b) NPDES Permit Coverage Number;
- c) Reason(s) for Termination Request (e.g., certifying that there will no longer be any NPDES discharges requiring a continuation of this permit);
- d) Date of last known discharge; and
- e) Signature of a Responsible Official.

The permittee will continue to be responsible for submitting all reports required by this permit and for remitting annual permit maintenance fees billed according to 327 IAC 5-3-17 until IDEM approves the NOT or until the completion of the designated term of coverage, whichever occurs first.

## 6.0 ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

### 6.1 Standard Conditions for General Permits

The following standard permit conditions are incorporated by reference, as applicable to general permits.

Standard Conditions	Federal Regulatory Cite
a) Duty to comply	40 CFR 122.41(a)
b) Duty to reapply	40 CFR 122.41(b)
c) Need to halt or reduce activity not a defense	40 CFR 122.41(c)
d) Duty to mitigate	40 CFR 122.41(d)
e) Proper operation and maintenance	40 CFR 122.41(e)
f) Permit actions	40 CFR 122.41(f)
g) Property rights	40 CFR 122.41(g)



h) Duty to provide information	40 CFR 122.41(h)
i) Inspection and entry	40 CFR 122.41(i)
j) Monitoring and records	40 CFR 122.41(j)
k) Signatory requirements	40 CFR 122.41(k)
l) Reporting requirements	40 CFR 122.41(l)
m) Bypass reporting	40 CFR 122.41(m)
n) Upset reporting	40 CFR 122.41(n)
o) Additional reporting requirement for existing manufacturing, commercial, mining, and silvicultural dischargers	40 CFR 122.42(a)

## 6.2 Change of Ownership/Transfer

Coverage under this permit may be transferred in the event that the facility is sold or transferred to a new owner or operator when the following occurs:

- a) The current permittee notifies IDEM at least thirty (30) days in advance of the proposed transfer date;
- b) A written agreement is submitted to IDEM containing a specific date of transfer of permit responsibility and coverage between the current permittee and the transferee (including acknowledgment that the existing permittee is liable for violations up to that date, and the transferee is liable for violations from that date on) is submitted to IDEM;
- c) The transferee certifies in writing to IDEM the intent to operate the facility without making such material and substantial alterations or additions to the facility as would significantly change the nature or quantities of pollutants discharged; and
- d) In addition to the submittal of the written agreement for transfer the new owner or operator must also submit a new NOI in accordance with the provisions of Section 4.0 of this permit.

## 6.3 Planned Changes in Facility or Discharge

The permittee shall give notice to IDEM no later than thirty (30) days prior to the initiation of any physical alterations or additions to the permitted facility that will or may:

- a) result in a discharge from a point previously not identified in the NOI;
- b) result in the facility meeting one of the criteria for determining whether the facility is a new source as defined in 40 CFR 122.29(b);
- c) change the nature or increase the quantity of pollutants discharged. This notification applies to pollutants which are subject either to effluent limitations in the general permit, or to notification requirements under 40 CFR 122.42(a)(1); or

- d) change the amount or frequency of the discharge.

Changes resulting in the addition (item a above) or deletion of a discharge point will necessitate the submission of a new NOI requesting this amendment, along with the appropriate fee in accordance with 327 IAC 5-3-17.

#### 6.4 Other Information

When the permittee becomes aware of a failure to submit any relevant facts or the submission of incorrect information in a NOI or in any report, the permittee shall promptly submit such facts or corrected information to the Commissioner.

The permittee shall promptly provide to IDEM written notice of any changes to items listed on the NOI. These would include but not be limited to the following:

- a) any changes in contacts or responsible party;
- b) any changes to addresses (mailing address or email address) for any contact or responsible party;
- c) any changes to telephone numbers for any contact person or responsible party;
- d) any changes involving the person or position with delegated signature authority for any forms or reports required by this general permit as set forth in Section 6.1(k) of this general permit; and/or
- e) any changes to outfall location or receiving water.

#### 6.5 Effect of Noncompliance

All discharges shall be consistent with the terms and conditions of this master general permit. Any noncompliance constitutes a violation of applicable State and Federal laws, the Clean Water Act and IC 13 and is grounds for enforcement action, termination of coverage under the permit, requiring an individual permit, and/or denial of permit coverage.

When IDEM or the U.S. EPA determines that the effluent limitations contained in Sections 2.1 or 2.2 of this master general permit are not being met consistently, or that the discharge is causing or contributing to an excursion above any applicable water quality standard, the permittee may be notified by the Commissioner in writing that an individual permit application is necessary.

#### 6.6 Reporting Spills and Noncompliance

Pursuant to 327 IAC 5-2-8(11) and 327 IAC 5-1-3, the permittee shall orally report to the Commissioner information on the following incidents within 24 hours from the time the permittee becomes aware of such occurrence. If the incident poses significant danger to human health or the environment, then pursuant to

327 IAC 2-6.1, the report shall be made as soon as possible, but within two (2) hours of discovery, to IDEM's Emergency Response Section at (888) 233-7745 ((888) 233-7745 toll free in Indiana). This number should only be called when reporting these emergency events. However, under 327 IAC 2-6.1-3(1), when the constituents of the discharge are regulated by this permit, and death or acute injury or illness to animals or humans does not occur, the reporting requirements of 327 IAC 2-6.1 do not apply, and the 24-hour reporting requirement applies instead:

- a) Any unanticipated bypass or upset which exceeds any effluent limitation in the permit or NOC;
- b) Any adverse incidents, including spills and leaks, which reach any surface water of the state; and/or
- c) Any discharge from any other outfall or point not listed in this permit.

For the above incidents (Section 6.6 a-c), the permittee can make oral reports by calling (317) 232-8670 during regular business hours and asking for the Compliance Data Section. A written submission shall also be provided within five (5) days of the time the permittee becomes aware of the circumstances. The written submission shall contain a description of the noncompliance and its cause; the period of noncompliance, including exact dates and times, and, if the noncompliance has not been corrected, the anticipated time it is expected to continue; and steps taken or planned to reduce and eliminate the noncompliance and prevent its recurrence. The Commissioner may waive the written report on a case-by-case basis if the oral report has been received within 24 hours. Alternatively the permittee may submit a "Bypass/Overflow Report" (State Form 48373) or a "Noncompliance 24-Hour Notification Report" (State Form 52415), whichever is appropriate, to IDEM at [wwreports@idem.in.gov](mailto:wwreports@idem.in.gov). If a complete e-mail submittal is sent within 24 hours of the time that the permittee became aware of the occurrence, then the email report will satisfy both the oral and written reporting requirements.

Pursuant to 327 IAC 5-2-8(11)(D), the permittee shall report any instance of noncompliance not reported under the above scenarios at the time the pertinent DMR is submitted as referenced in Section 3.7 of this general permit. The report shall contain the information specified in the paragraph above.

## 6.7 Certified Operator

The permittee shall have any wastewater treatment facility, when applicable, under the responsible charge of an operator certified by the Commissioner in a classification corresponding to the classification of the wastewater treatment plant as required by IC 13-18-11-11 and 327 IAC 5-23.

## 6.8 Individual or Alternative General NPDES Permit

- a) IDEM may require a person to obtain an individual NPDES permit or an alternative general permit in accordance with the provisions of 327 IAC 15-2-9 or 40 CFR 122.28(b)(3).
- b) Any discharger authorized for coverage under this general permit may apply for coverage under an individual NPDES permit by submitting an individual NPDES application or modification to IDEM.

## 6.9 State and Local Laws

Coverage under this permit does not preempt any duty to obtain any other state, or local assent required by law for the discharge or for the operation of the facility from which a discharge is made. Nothing in this permit shall be construed to preclude the institution of any legal action or relieve the permittee from any responsibilities, liabilities, or penalties established pursuant to any applicable state law or regulation or the Clean Water Act, as amended.

## 6.10 Penalties for Violation of Permit Conditions

Pursuant to IC 13-30-4, a person who violates any provision of this permit, the water pollution control laws; environmental management laws; or a rule or standard adopted by the Environmental Rules Board is liable for a civil penalty not to exceed twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) per day of any violation.

Pursuant to IC 13-30-5, a person who obstructs, delays, resists, prevents, or interferes with (1) the department; and (2) the department's personnel or designated agent in the performance of an inspection or investigation performed under IC 13-14-2-2 commits a Class C infraction.

Pursuant to IC 13-30-10-1.5(e), except as provided in IC 13-30-10-1.5(f), a person who willfully or negligently violates any NPDES permit condition or filing requirement under IC 13-18-19, or any applicable standards or limitations of IC 13-18-3-2.4, IC 13-18-4-5, IC 13-18-12, IC 13-18-14, IC 13-18-15, or IC 13-18-16, commits a Class A misdemeanor.

Pursuant to IC 13-30-10-1.5(i), an offense under IC 13-30-10-1.5(e) is a Level 4 felony if the person knowingly commits the offense and knows that the commission of the offense places another person in imminent danger of death or serious bodily injury. The offense becomes a Level 3 felony if it results in serious bodily injury to any person, and a Level 2 felony if it results in death to any person.

Pursuant to IC 13-30-10-1.5(h), a person who willfully or recklessly violates any applicable standards or limitations of IC 13-18-9 commits a Class C misdemeanor.

### 6.11 Penalties for Tampering or Falsification

In accordance with 327 IAC 5-2-8(10), the permittee shall comply with monitoring, recording, and reporting requirements of this permit. The Clean Water Act, as well as IC 13-30-10-1, provides that any person who knowingly or intentionally (a) destroys, alters, conceals, or falsely certifies a record, (b) tampers with, falsifies, or renders inaccurate or inoperative a recording or monitoring device or method, including the data gathered from the device or method, or (c) makes a false material statement or representation in any label, manifest, record, report, or other document; all required to be maintained under the terms of a permit issued by the department commits a Class B misdemeanor.

### 6.12 Severability

In accordance with 327 IAC 1-1-3, the provisions of this permit are severable and, if any provision of this permit or the application of any provision of this permit to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect any other provisions or applications of the permit which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application.

### 6.13 Availability of Reports

Except for data determined to be confidential under 327 IAC 12.1, all reports prepared in accordance with the terms of this permit shall be available for public inspection at the offices of IDEM and the Regional Administrator. As required by the Clean Water Act, permit applications, permits, and effluent data shall not be considered confidential.



**National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System**  
**GENERAL PERMIT FACT SHEET for**  
**Temporary Discharges of Wastewater**  
**NPDES Permit No. ING420000**

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<b>New Permit Information:</b>	<p><u>Permit Number:</u> ING420000 (Master General Permit). New permitted facilities will have tracking numbers using the numbering protocol ING420xxx.</p> <p><u>Expiration Date:</u> Each permitted facility will have an expiration date which shall be no more than 364 consecutive calendar days from the date when coverage under the new permit commences. This coverage is to be limited in this fashion despite the five-year life span of the master general permit due to the short-term nature of the discharges this permit covers, to preclude antidegradation concerns. Discharges expected to continue longer than 364 consecutive calendar days are not eligible for coverage under this permit and must seek coverage under an individual NPDES permit.</p>
<b>Source Location:</b>	State-wide
<b>Receiving Stream:</b>	All surface waters of the state of Indiana, except for Outstanding National Resource Waters and Outstanding State Resource Waters. (See Exclusions to Eligibility in Part D for other exclusions.)
<b>Proposed Action:</b>	Renewal of administrative NPDES general permit to provide coverage for temporary discharges of wastewater. A temporary discharge is defined as not exceeding 364 consecutive calendar days.
<b>Source Category</b>	NPDES Minor – Industrial
<b>Contacts:</b>	<p>Catherine Hess, Chief of Permits Administration Section  <a href="mailto:chess@idem.in.gov">chess@idem.in.gov</a>; (317) 232-8704</p> <p>Richard Hamblin, Chief of Industrial NPDES Permits Section  <a href="mailto:rhamblin@idem.IN.gov">rhamblin@idem.IN.gov</a>; (317) 232-8696</p>

The Federal Water Pollution Control Act (also referred to as The Clean Water Act (CWA) (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.), which was enacted in 1972, provides that the discharge of pollutants to the waters of the United States from any point source is unlawful, unless the discharge is in compliance with a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit.

This permit authorizes the temporary discharge of wastewater to surface waters of the state. Types of discharges that may be covered under this permit include, but are not limited to, emergency discharges, discharges related to environmental cleanup activity, discharges resulting from testing of pilot projects, and dewatering discharges of contaminated water.

To be authorized to discharge under this permit, temporary dischargers of wastewater must submit a Notice of Intent (NOI) in accordance with the requirements of Part 4.0 of this permit, using an NOI application form provided by the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM).

After the submitted NOI form is reviewed by IDEM, IDEM will determine whether coverage under this master general permit is granted or denied. If coverage is granted, IDEM shall notify the applicant of authorization and the effective date. Notification from IDEM will include requirements for monitoring and limits for applicable parameters based upon the characteristics of the discharge. Until IDEM issues a Notice of Coverage (NOC) that grants coverage for discharge, the discharge is not authorized under this permit and may not be initiated.

Development of a Fact Sheet for NPDES permits is required by Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Section 124.8 and 124.56. This document fulfills the requirements established in those regulations by providing the information necessary to inform the public of actions proposed by IDEM as outlined in 40 CFR 122.28 and 327 IAC 5-3-8.

#### **A. Description of General Permit Category:**

NPDES general permits are developed and issued to cover multiple facilities engaged in the same process category, instead of an individual facility, within the State of Indiana. These permits utilize a “master general permit” (EPA terminology), or “general”, format which is renewed and reevaluated on a five-year interval. Persons who seek coverage under a master general (general) permit are assigned permit tracking numbers that link their request and any subsequent coverage to the general permit that the discharge is to be covered under. In the case of this general permit, coverage numbers will begin with “ING42”.

The purpose of this general permit is to regulate discharges resulting from these temporary activities which generate wastewater from a point source to surface waters of the State of Indiana so that the public health, existing uses, and aquatic biota are protected. Occasionally, entities or facilities need to discharge wastewater for a limited duration. These projects, characterized as short term or temporary discharges, may be associated with some type of facility or site cleanup, an emergency discharge due to unusual or short-term circumstances, a discharge associated with a pilot project or test facility, or dewatering. Although the type of pollutants found in temporary discharges may be quite variable due to the differences in projects, these discharges are similar in that the pollutants present

after any necessary treatment are not of a type or quantity sufficient to exceed Indiana's minimum surface water quality standards as stated in 327 IAC 2-1-6 and 327 IAC 2-1.5-8.

Although this master general permit is issued for a five-year period, individual coverage under it is limited to no more than 364 consecutive calendar days due to the short-term nature of the discharges that it addresses. Exact dates for beginning and termination of coverage will be specified in each individual NOC. In the event that coverage is granted in the final year of the five-year term of the master general permit, the term of coverage for the discharge in question will be limited to the remaining duration of the general NPDES permit.

## **B. Geographic area covered:**

This general permit is intended to cover any temporary discharge of wastewater (subject to the eligibility provisions denoted in Part D of this fact sheet) to surface waters of the state within the boundaries of the state of Indiana.

## **C. Receiving waters:**

This general permit will authorize discharges to all surface waters of the state of Indiana, except for direct discharges to Outstanding National Resource Waters (ONRWs) and Outstanding State Resource Waters (OSRWs). Direct dischargers to ONRWs and OSRWs are required to obtain an individual NPDES permit to regulate their discharges.

## **D. Exclusions to Eligibility**

This general permit contains certain specific exclusions from coverage which are listed below, and denoted in Section 1.4 of the permit. Applicants proposing discharges not authorized by this permit will be required to apply for an individual NPDES permit.

The following temporary discharges are not authorized by this permit:

- a. discharges directly to or to tributaries of waters that are designated as an Outstanding National Resource Water (ONRW) defined at IC 13-11-2-149.5 or discharges directly to an Outstanding State Resource Water (OSRW) defined at IC 13-11-2-149.6 and listed at 327 IAC 2-1-11(b), 327 IAC 2-1.3-3(d), or 327 IAC 2-1.5-19(b);
- b. discharges to a receiving stream when the discharge results in an increase in the ambient concentration of a pollutant which contributes to the impairment of the receiving stream for that pollutant as identified on the current 303(d) list of impaired waters;
- c. discharges containing water treatment additives (WTAs) which have not received prior written approval from IDEM for the specific additive, use, and dosage at the particular site for which the NOI is submitted;



- d. discharges that take place within five-hundred (500) yards upstream of a public water system surface water intake and cannot meet Indiana's public water supply standards;
- e. discharges of stormwater associated with industrial activity regulated under 327 IAC 15-6, or General NPDES Permit INRM00000;
- f. discharges of stormwater runoff from construction activities greater than one (1) acre (see INRA00000, Construction Stormwater General Permit);
- g. discharges from coal mining operations (see 327 IAC 15-7);
- h. discharges from a groundwater petroleum remediation system (see General NPDES Permit ING080000);
- i. discharges from a petroleum product terminal (see General NPDES Permit ING340000);
- j. discharges from a sand, gravel, dimension stone, or crushed stone operation (see General NPDES Permit ING490000);
- k. discharges of hydrostatic test water from a commercial pipeline (see General NPDES Permit ING670000);
- l. discharges to combined or sanitary sewer systems;
- m. discharges that are commingled with hazardous wastes or hazardous materials;
- n. Bypasses or upsets of any kind from a treatment works or collection system;
- o. discharges that contain pollutants classified as bioaccumulative chemicals of concern (BCCs), except mercury;
- p. intermittent discharges from a singular activity spanning longer than 364 consecutive calendar days from start to finish;
- q. discharges for which the Commissioner requests an individual permit application; and
- r. wastewater discharges already regulated under an NPDES permit.

#### **E. Application for Coverage:**

This general permit proposes to provide coverage for any temporary discharges of a duration of no more than 364 consecutive calendar days which meet the general permit criteria, are not precluded from general permit coverage, and where the discharger agrees to be regulated under the terms of the general permit.

Each discharger seeking coverage under this general permit must submit an NOI form. Federal regulations found in 40 CFR 122.21(a) exclude persons covered by general permits from requirements to submit an application for an individual permit.

#### **F. Antidegradation Evaluation**

##### Nature of Discharge

The discharges that are to be covered by this permit are of a temporary nature, with coverage approved for a maximum of 364 consecutive calendar days. In accordance with Indiana's Antidegradation Standards and Implementation Procedures at 327 IAC 2-1.3-4, a new or increased discharge of mercury and non-bioaccumulative chemicals of concern which only occurs for a short term, temporary period lasting

less than 12 months or 365 consecutive calendar days does not constitute a significant lowering of water and is not subject to further antidegradation review. Coverage is not renewable under this general permit.

## **G. Pollutant Information Required with NOI**

### All Proposed Discharges

The NOI shall include a written narrative that explains the evaluation conducted by the applicant to determine which pollutants are likely to be present.

Data results for pollutants of concern for the water that will be discharged under this permit are to be included in the NOI submittal. Unless otherwise advised by IDEM, the applicant shall include a comprehensive set of data including scans for volatile and semi-volatile compounds and metals including the 126 Priority Pollutants listed in 40 CFR Part 423, Appendix A. Test Methods shall be selected that will provide sufficiently sensitive results as defined at 40 CFR 122.21(e)(3) and 122.44(i)(1)(iv). See Appendix B of the NOI for the Wastewater Characterization tables. See Appendix C of the NOI to provide information regarding any WTAs that are planned for use at the site.

### Coverage for Dewatering Activities

In addition to the above requirements, persons applying for coverage under this permit for dewatering activities are responsible for conducting an evaluation (“site inquiry” in the NOI) to determine what soil or groundwater contamination should be expected in the wastewater to be discharged. IDEM reserves the right to require this evaluation for other categories of activities as deemed necessary. The evaluation should consider:

- a. current and historic uses of the site;
- b. current uses of adjacent sites;
- c. probable hazardous substances that could reasonably be associated with current or historic uses;
- d. whether the site is considered contaminated by IDEM, US EPA, or other parties;
- e. whether the site is currently subject to risk-based corrective action due to a known petroleum release from an underground storage tank; and
- f. any other relevant information.

## **H. When to Apply**

All dischargers desiring coverage under this general permit must submit an NOI a minimum of forty-five (45) days prior to any discharge occurring (see Section 4.0 of the permit). If there is a more immediate need for discharge authorization, a cover letter should be submitted with the NOI explaining the reasons for the shortened advance notice. IDEM encourages timely submittal of the NOI; discharge is not authorized under this permit until IDEM reviews the NOI and issues an NOC.

## **I. Permit Conditions:**

Effluent limitations and monitoring requirements will be established in accordance with the Minimum Surface Water Quality Standards as stated in 327 IAC 2-1-6 and 327 IAC 2-1.5-8 of the Indiana Administrative Code and technology-based effluent limitations (TBELs) and requirements, based upon the information to be submitted as part of the NOI form.

Effluent limitations and monitoring requirements for the discharge will be included in the NOC letter sent to advise the applicant of acceptance of coverage under this general permit.

### **1) Narrative Water Quality Limitations**

The narrative water quality standards contained in 327 IAC 2-1-6(a)(1)(A)-(E) and 327 IAC 2-1.5-8(b)(1)(A)-(E) have been included in this general permit to ensure that the narrative water quality criteria are met.

### **2) Numeric Permit Limits & Monitoring Requirements**

At a minimum, each permittee covered by this general permit will be required to monitor for discharge flow, pH, oil & grease, and total suspended solids (TSS). The previous master general permit included a requirement for all permittees to monitor for total residual chlorine; this requirement will now be applied on a case-by-case basis due to the limited applicability. IDEM will evaluate each NOI along with other available information relating to each facility/site and the associated receiving waterbody to determine whether there is a need to include additional parameters, effluent limitations, and/or monitoring requirements. In accordance with 327 IAC 5-2-10 and 40 CFR 122.44, NPDES permit limits shall be based on either TBELs, including TBELs developed on a case-by-case basis using best professional judgement (BPJ), or water quality-based effluent limits (WQBELs), whichever is most stringent. Any additional effluent limitations and/or monitoring requirements will be included in the NOC letter which will advise the applicant of acceptance of coverage under this general permit.

- a) Discharge flow.** Discharge flow is a standard parameter to be monitored in all NPDES permits. The requirement to report both the monthly average and daily maximum flows for each month is a standard permitting requirement. This parameter is required of all NPDES permits and is included in this permit in accordance with 327 IAC 5-2-13(a)(2). This monitoring is to be conducted daily.
- b) Total Flow.** The total cumulative effluent flow for each calendar month shall be calculated and reported in units of million gallons (mgal) at a frequency of once monthly.

- c) **Total Suspended Solids (TSS).** TSS will be limited based on site-specific information, including, but not limited to, the nature of the discharge and the receiving waterbody. At a maximum, a monthly average limitation of 35 mg/l and daily maximum limitation of 70 mg/l will be included; these values are based on best professional judgement. These TSS limitations are a new requirement of the master general permit and are being included due to the prevalence of TSS in discharge scenarios. This monitoring is to be conducted weekly, at minimum, by grab sampling.
- d) **Oil & Grease.** Oil & Grease is a common industrial pollutant and has the potential to be present in any discharge. Oil & Grease is limited to a monthly average of 10 mg/l and a daily maximum of 15 mg/l. The limitations are considered sufficient to ensure compliance with the narrative water quality criteria in 327 IAC 2-1-6 and 327 IAC 2-1.5-8 which prohibit visible oil sheen on receiving waters. This monitoring is to be conducted weekly, at minimum, by grab sampling.
- e) **pH.** pH limitations are included in the general permit to ensure that the discharge will not violate Indiana water quality standards. The limits of 6.0 (daily minimum) and 9.0 (daily maximum) standard units (s.u.) are in accordance with the Indiana Water Quality Standards (327 IAC 2-1-6 and 327 IAC 2-1.5-8). This monitoring is to be conducted daily by grab sampling.
- f) **Other Parameters.** IDEM will evaluate the NOI and other available information relating to the facility/site and the receiving waterbody to determine whether there is a need to include additional parameters, effluent limitations, and/or monitoring requirements. In accordance with 327 IAC 5-2-10 and 40 CFR 122.44, NPDES permit limits shall be based on either TBELs (including TBELs developed on a case-by-case basis using BPJ, where applicable) or WQBELs, whichever is most stringent. Any additional effluent limitations and/or monitoring requirements will be included in the NOC which will advise the applicant of acceptance of coverage under this general permit.

### 3) Reporting Requirements

The permittee is required to complete and submit federal Discharge Monitoring Reports (DMRs) and state Monthly Monitoring Reports (MMRs) to IDEM containing the results obtained during the previous monitoring period by the 28th day of the month following the monitoring period.

As electronic reporting is required by state and federal rule, the permittee must enroll in the NetDMR program for electronic submittal of the federal DMRs and the state MMRs.

**J. Reporting Spills and Noncompliance**

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For the above incidents, the permittee can make oral reports by calling (317) 232-8670 during regular business hours and asking for the Compliance Data Section. A written submission shall also be provided within five (5) days of the time the permittee becomes aware of the circumstances. The written submission shall contain a description of the noncompliance and its cause; the period of noncompliance, including exact dates and times, and, if the noncompliance has not been corrected, the anticipated time it is expected to continue; and steps taken or planned to reduce and eliminate the noncompliance and prevent its recurrence. The Commissioner may waive the written report on a case-by-case basis if the oral report has been received within 24 hours. Alternatively the permittee may submit a "Bypass/Overflow Report" (State Form 48373) or a "Noncompliance 24-Hour Notification Report" (State Form 52415), whichever is appropriate, to IDEM at [wwreports@idem.in.gov](mailto:wwreports@idem.in.gov). If a complete e-mail submittal is sent within 24 hours of the time that the permittee became aware of the occurrence, then the email report will satisfy both the oral and written reporting requirements.

Pursuant to 327 IAC 5-2-8(11)(D), the permittee shall report any instance of noncompliance not reported under the above scenarios at the time the pertinent DMR is submitted as referenced in Section I.3 of the fact sheet and 3.7 of the general permit. The report shall contain the information specified in the paragraph above.

**K. Fees**

In accordance with 327 IAC 5-3-17, any application for a new permit, renewal of a permit, modification of a permit, or variance from a permit requirement must be accompanied by an application fee. This fee is also applicable to NOIs for general permits, which is currently \$100.00 for new permits and \$50.00 for modifications. Once approved for coverage under a general permit, the permittee is also subject to annual operating fees. These annual fees are set by rule in accordance with 327 IAC 5-3-17.

**L. Reopening Clause**

This master general permit may be modified, or alternately, revoked and reissued, after public notice and opportunity for hearing to include any applicable effluent limitation or standard issued or approved under 301(b)(2)(C),(D) and (E), 304 (b)(2), and 307(a)(2) of the Clean Water Act, when the effluent limitation or standard so issued or approved:

- a) contains different conditions or is otherwise more stringent than any effluent limitation in the permit; or
- b) controls any pollutant not limited in the permit.

**M. Permit Term**

This master general permit is proposed to be in effect for a five-year term. Coverage under this permit is only valid for a maximum of 364 consecutive calendar days from the effective date specified in the NOC.

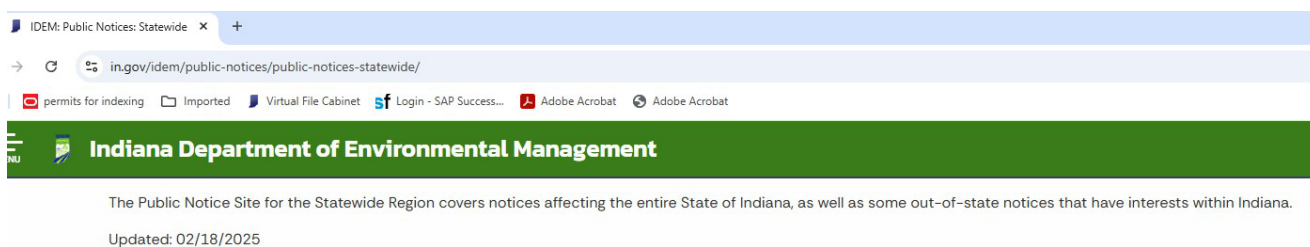
**N. Online Resources**

The IDEM website will contain information related to this master general permit. This web page is still in development as of the date of this fact sheet.

**O. Post Public Notice Addendum**

Pursuant to IC 13-15-5-1, IDEM published notice of the draft renewal of the NPDES general permit for ING420000 which was made available for public comment from January 24, 2025 through February 24, 2025, as part of Public Notice No. 20250124-ING420000-D. This notice was published on IDEM's website at <https://www.in.gov/idem/public-notices/public-notices-statewide/>. The web posting included the public notice document, the draft permit renewal, the NPDES fact sheet, a draft Coverage Extension Request Form, and a draft edited version of the Notice of Intent form. This package of documents was posted online for the entire duration of the comment period in accordance with 327 IAC 5-3-9 and 40 CFR 122.28. The draft permit package was also distributed via email to representatives of all current NPDES permit holders as well as representatives of companies and projects which had obtained coverage under the general permit during the initial permit term. Notice was also distributed to all persons on the standard mailing list as set forth in 327 IAC 5-3-12.

The only comment letter which IDEM received during the official public comment period was the non-objection letter from U.S. EPA Region 5, which was in response to the pre-public notice draft permit that IDEM had submitted to U.S. EPA for review on December 26, 2024. There were no changes to the draft permit document between the pre-PN draft and the public noticed draft of the permit. Likewise, in preparing the proposed version of this NPDES general permit renewal, no changes or edits have been made. The following is a screenshot of the website notice for the draft permit action:



Name or Facility	Type of Notice/Event	Publication Dates	Public Comment?	Additional Information
Paperworks Industries, Inc. - Wabash Mill	<a href="#">Land Application Permit Public Notice [PDF]</a>	02/18/2025 - 03/05/2025	Yes	Permit Number: IN LA 000465  Project Manager: Meulen, Nicholas  Counties: Northeastern Region: Huntington, Wabash Northern Region: Miami
Greensburg Wastewater Treatment Plant	<a href="#">Land Application Permit Public Notice [PDF]</a>	02/05/2025 - 03/07/2025	Yes	Permit Number: IN LA 000465  Project Manager: O'Connell, Morrighan  Counties: Central Region: Bartholemew, Shelby Eastern Region: Decatur, Rush Southeastern Region: Jennings, Ripley
Peru City Utilities Wastewater Treatment Plant	<a href="#">Land Application Permit Public Notice [PDF]</a>	02/04/2025 - 03/06/2025	Yes	Permit Number: IN LA 000014  Project Manager: O'Connell, Morrighan  Counties: Northern Region: Cass and Miam Central Region: Howard
Draft Renewal of NPDES General Permit for Temporary Discharges of Wastewater	<a href="#">NPDES Draft Permit Public Notice [PDF]</a>	01/24/2025 - 02/24/2025	Yes	Permit Number: ING420000  Project Manager: Hess, Catherine