

NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL MEETING GENERAL PERMIT FOR THE DISCHARGE OF STORMWATER FROM SMALL MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEMS

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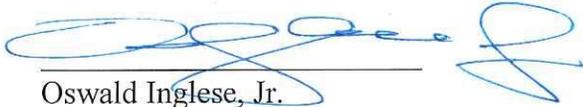
On July 7, 2014, the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection published a Notice of Tentative Determination (“NOTD”) to renew *with modifications* the General Permit for the Discharge of Stormwater from Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4 general permit) pursuant to Section 22a-430b of the Connecticut General Statutes. The NOTD specified a sixty (60) day comment period ending on September 5, 2014. A public informational meeting was held at DEEP Headquarters on August 6, 2014 to explain and discuss the proposed MS4 general permit. During the comment period, petitions for a hearing were submitted and a public hearing was held on December 17, 2014 in response to those petitions. The public hearing process allowed additional comments to be submitted through January 9, 2015. A draft “mark-up” of the proposed general permit was subsequently published on the DEEP website on January 26, 2015. As stakeholders in the public hearing proceedings, the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities (CCM), Connecticut Council of Small Towns (COST) Connecticut Fund for the Environment (CFE) and the Town of Willington have been meeting regularly with Department staff since the public hearing to resolve concerns regarding the draft MS4 general permit.

NOTICE OF INFORMATIONAL MEETING

DEEP will hold a public informational meeting on the current status of the proposed MS4 general permit on September 10, 2015 from 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. in the Gina McCarthy Auditorium at DEEP Headquarters, 79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT. The meeting will consist of an informational presentation by DEEP staff outlining the public hearing process and discussing possible revisions to the proposed general permit based on the stakeholder meetings. The presentation will be followed by a question and answer period for the remainder of the allotted time. In support of this meeting, DEEP staff are making available the most current draft of the proposed general permit on the MS4 stormwater webpage (www.ct.gov/deep/stormwater).

Written comments on the draft general permit will be accepted at the public informational meeting and following the public informational meeting until October 9, 2015. Comments shall be directed to Brendan Schain, Hearing Officer, Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, Office of Adjudications, 79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT 06106-5127. These written comments may be submitted by post, facsimile to (860) 424-4052, or by electronic mail to

deep.adjudications@ct.gov and should also be copied to Christopher Stone, Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, BMMCA-Water Permitting and Enforcement Division, 79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT 06106-5127 or at chris.stone@ct.gov.

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Oswald Inglese, Jr.

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