

TO: WPCF Superintendents and Operators

FROM: Dennis Greci, Engineer of WPCF, Bureau of Water Protection and Land Reuse

SUBJECT: REVISION OF BYPASS FORM AND REVISED EFFLUENT NON-COMPLIANCE.

DATE: March 15, 2010

On February 5, 2009 the Department issued a revised Bypass Report Form as well as the creation of three new forms to report the following:

- effluent non-compliance
- loss of equipment/tankage
- and monitoring equipment malfunction/failure.

We revised the notification forms because some operators and staff from the Department of Public Health wanted us to clarify information.

Please discard any copies you may have of the Revised Bypass Report Form and Revised Effluent non-compliance forms with revision dates of 1/09.

Please immediately start using the two attached revised forms dated March 15, 2010 for Bypass Report Form and Revised Effluent non-compliance form with their corresponding flow chart, which will help insure the proper notification requirements are met.

Continue using the loss of equipment/tankage form and monitoring equipment malfunction/failure dated 1/09.

BYPASS FORM

Section 22a-430-3(k)(4) of the RCSA requires permittees to notify the DEP Bureau of Water Protection and Land Reuse within 2 hours of becoming aware of a bypass event at (860) 424-3704 during normal business hours and the DEP's Emergency Spill Response Unit at (860) 424-3338 or 3333 at all other times. It is important to remember that when making these verbal notifications that you must speak to a DEP official. It is unacceptable to leave a voice mail message.

Modification

In addition, you must notify the Department of Public Health Services, (**Drinking Water Section**) at (860) 509-7333 notify **Monday through Friday 8:30 to 5:00pm only** if bypass occurred in the following towns: **Bristol, Cheshire, Danbury, Goshen, Groton, Hamden, Manchester, Mansfield, Middletown, North Haven, Norwalk, Ridgefield, Shelton, Stamford Vernon, and Woodstock.**

Please notify CT Dept. of Public Health (860) 509-7296 (**Recreation Section**) notify from **Monday through Friday 8:30 to 5:00pm** if bypass occurred from **April 1st through September 30th.**

Clarification

If a planned bypass of sewage in the sewer collection system not causing sewage to reach the ground surface, a storm drain, surface waters, or into public, residential or commercial property **just notify**

DEP, Iliana Ayala during normal business hours at 860-424-3758. **Don't** notify Department of Public Health.

EFFLUENT NON-COMPLIANCE

Please note that actual or anticipated effluent non-compliance greater than the maximum daily limit and/or greater than two times the permitted level require verbal and written reporting. As stated in Section 22a-430-3(j)(11)(D) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies (RCSA) verbal notification is required within 2 hours of becoming aware of the circumstances or at the start of the next business day if such actual or anticipated effluent non-compliance occur outside normal business hours, and submission of a written report within five days thereafter. The report should be made on a copy of the appropriate attached form.

Modification

Please notify CT Dept. of Public Health (860) 509-7296 (**Recreation Section**) from Monday through Friday 8:30 to 5:00pm if bypass occurred from **April 1st through September 30th**.

Clarification

Please notify DEP if your maximum daily limit is exceeded, if the average monthly limit is exceeded by more than two times, or if the instantaneous chlorine residual limit is exceeded by more than two times.

If you have any questions don't hesitate to call Iliana Ayala at (860)424-3758.