Sector S - Stormwater Discharges Associated With Industrial Activity From Vehicle Maintenance Areas, Equipment Cleaning Areas, or Deicing Areas Located at Air Transportation Facilities

1. Discharges Covered Under This Section

The requirements listed under this section shall apply to stormwater discharges from establishments and/or facilities including airports, air terminals, air carriers, flying fields, and establishments engaged in servicing or maintaining airports and/or aircraft which have vehicle maintenance shops, material handling facilities, equipment cleaning operations or airport and/or aircraft deicing/anti-icing operations:

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* Except for airports that use more than 100,000 gallons of glycol-based deicing/anti-icing) chemicals and/or 100 tons or more of urea on an average annual basis: see Part 5: “Monitoring and Reporting Requirements.”

For the purpose of this permit, the term "deicing" is defined as the process to remove frost, snow, or ice and "anti-icing" is the process which prevents the accumulation of frost, snow, or ice.

Coverage. Only those portions of the facility or establishment that are either involved in vehicle maintenance (including vehicle rehabilitation, mechanical repairs, painting, fueling, and lubrication), equipment cleaning operations, or deicing/anti-icing operations are addressed under this section.

When an industrial facility, described by the above coverage provisions of this section, has industrial activities being conducted onsite that meet the description(s) of industrial activities in another section(s), that industrial facility shall comply with any and all applicable monitoring and pollution prevention plan requirements of the other section(s) in addition to all applicable requirements in this section. The monitoring and pollution prevention plan terms and conditions of this multi-sector permit are additive for industrial activities being conducted at the same industrial facility (co-located industrial activities). The operator of the facility shall determine which other monitoring and pollution prevention plan section(s) of this permit (if any) are applicable to the facility.

2. Special Conditions

2.1 Prohibition of Non-stormwater Discharges. In addition to those discharges prohibited under Part 3.1, non-stormwater discharges including aircraft, ground vehicle, runway and equipment washwaters, and dry weather discharges of deicing/anti-icing chemicals are not authorized by this permit. Dry weather discharges are those discharges generated by processes other than those included in the definition of stormwater. The definition of stormwater includes stormwater runoff, snow melt runoff, and surface runoff and drainage. All other discharges constitute non-stormwater discharges. Operators of non-stormwater discharges must obtain coverage under a separate National Pollutant Discharge Elimination
2.2 Releases of Reportable Quantities of Hazardous Substances and Oil. Each individual permittee is required to report spills equal to or exceeding the reportable quantity levels specified at 40 CFR 110, 117, and 302 as described at section 6.2.2. If an airport authority is the sole permittee, then the sum total of all spills at the airport must be assessed against the RQ. If the airport authority is a co-permittee with other deicing/anti-icing operators at the airport, such as numerous different airlines, the assessed amount must be the summation of spills by each co-permittee. If separate, distinct individual permittees exist at the airport, then the amount spilled by each separate permittee must be the assessed amount for the RQ determination.

3. Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan Requirements

3.1 Stormwater pollution prevention plans developed for areas of the facility occupied by tenants of the airport shall be integrated with the plan for the entire airport. For the purposes of today's permit, tenants of the airport facility include airline companies, fixed based operators and other parties which have contracts with the airport authority to conduct business operations on airport property which result in stormwater discharges associated with industrial activity as described in paragraph 1 of this section. Plans should be developed in accordance with Part IV. Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plans).

3.2 Contents of Plan. Each plan shall include, at a minimum, the following items:

3.2.1 Pollution Prevention Team. Each plan shall identify a specific individual or individuals as member(s) of a stormwater Pollution Prevention Team who are responsible for developing the stormwater pollution prevention plan and assisting the facility management in its implementation, maintenance, and revision. The plan shall clearly identify the responsibilities of each team member. The activities and responsibilities of the team shall address all aspects of the facility's stormwater pollution prevention plan.

3.2.2 Description of Potential Pollutant Sources. Each plan shall provide a description of potential sources which may reasonably be expected to add significant amounts of pollutants to stormwater discharges or which may result in the discharge of pollutants during dry weather from separate storm sewers draining the facility. Each plan shall identify all activities and significant materials which may potentially be significant pollutant sources. Each plan shall include, at a minimum:

3.2.2.1 Drainage. A site map indicating an outline of the drainage area of each stormwater outfall within the facility boundaries, each existing structural control measure to reduce pollutants in stormwater runoff, surface water bodies, locations where significant materials are exposed to precipitation, locations where major spills or leaks identified under paragraph 11.S.3.2.2.3 (Spills and Leaks) of this section have occurred, and the locations of the following activities where such activities are exposed to precipitation: aircraft and runway deicing/anti-icing operations; fueling stations; aircraft, ground vehicle and equipment maintenance and/or cleaning areas; storage areas for aircraft, ground vehicles and equipment awaiting maintenance; loading/unloading areas; locations used for the treatment, storage or disposal of
wastes, liquid storage tanks, processing areas and storage areas. The map must indicate the outfall locations and the types of discharges contained in the drainage areas of the outfalls.

For each area of the facility that generates stormwater discharges associated with industrial activity with a reasonable potential for containing significant amounts of pollutants, the plan should include a prediction of the direction of flow, and an identification of the types of pollutants which are likely to be present in stormwater discharges associated with industrial activity. Factors to consider include the toxicity of chemical; quantity of chemicals used, produced or discharged; the likelihood of contact with stormwater; and history of significant leaks or spills of toxic or hazardous pollutants. Flows with a significant potential for causing erosion shall be identified.

The site map developed for the entire airport shall indicate the location of each tenant of the facility that conducts industrial activities as described in Part 11.S.1, and incorporate information from the tenants site map (including a description of industrial activities, significant materials exposed, and existing management practices).

3.2.2.2 Inventory of Exposed Materials - An inventory of the types of materials handled at the site that potentially may be exposed to precipitation. Such inventory shall include a narrative description of significant materials that have been handled, treated, stored or disposed in a manner to allow exposure to stormwater between the time of 3 years prior to the date of the submission of an NOI to be covered under this permit and the present; method and location of onsite storage or disposal; materials management practices employed to minimize contact of materials with stormwater runoff between the time of 3 years prior to the date of the submission of an NOI to be covered under this permit and the present; the location and a description of existing structural and nonstructural control measures to reduce pollutants in stormwater runoff; and a description of any treatment of stormwater runoff.

3.2.2.3 Spills and Leaks - A list of significant spills and significant leaks of toxic or hazardous pollutants that occurred at areas that are exposed to precipitation or that otherwise drain to a stormwater conveyance at the facility after the date of 3 years prior to the date of the submission of an NOI to be covered under this permit. Such list shall be updated as appropriate during the term of the permit.

3.2.2.4 Sampling Data - A summary of existing discharge sampling data describing pollutants in stormwater discharges from the facility, including a summary of sampling data collected during the term of this permit.

3.2.2.5 Risk Identification and Summary of Potential Pollutant Sources - A narrative description of the potential pollutant sources from the following activities: aircraft, runway, ground vehicle and equipment maintenance and cleaning; aircraft and runway deicing/anti-icing operations (including apron and centralized aircraft deicing/anti-icing stations, runways, taxiways and ramps); outdoor storage activities; loading and unloading operations; and onsite waste disposal. The description shall specifically list any significant potential source of pollutants at the facility and for each potential source, any pollutant or pollutant parameter [e.g., biochemical oxygen demand (BOD5), oil and grease, etc.] of concern shall be identified.
Facilities which conduct deicing/anti-icing operations shall maintain a record of the types [including the Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS)] and monthly quantities of deicing/anti-icing chemicals used. Tenants and fixed-base operators who conduct deicing/anti-icing operations shall provide the above information to the airport authority for inclusion in the stormwater pollution prevention plan for the entire facility.

3.2.3 Measures and Controls. Operators covered by this permit shall develop a description of stormwater management controls appropriate for their areas of operation, and implement such controls. The priority in selecting controls shall reflect identified potential sources of pollutants at the facility. The description of stormwater management controls shall address the following minimum components, including a schedule for implementing such controls:

3.2.3.1 Good Housekeeping - Good housekeeping requires the maintenance of areas which may contribute pollutants to stormwater discharges in a clean, orderly manner.

3.2.3.1.1 Aircraft, Ground Vehicle and Equipment Maintenance Areas - Permittees should ensure the maintenance of equipment is conducted in designated areas only and clearly identify these areas on the ground and delineate them on the site map. The plan must describe measures that prevent or minimize the contamination of the stormwater runoff from all areas used for aircraft, ground vehicle and equipment maintenance (including the maintenance conducted on the terminal apron and in dedicated hangars). Management practices or equivalent measures such as performing maintenance activities indoors, maintaining an organized inventory of materials used in the maintenance areas, draining all parts of fluids prior to disposal, preventing the practice of hosing down the apron or hangar floor, using dry cleanup methods, and/or collecting the stormwater runoff from the maintenance area and providing treatment or recycling should be considered.

3.2.3.1.2 Aircraft, Ground Vehicle and Equipment Cleaning Areas - Permittees should ensure that cleaning of equipment is conducted in designated areas only and clearly identify these areas on the ground and delineate them on the site map. The plan must describe measures that prevent or minimize the contamination of the stormwater runoff from all areas used for aircraft, ground vehicle and equipment cleaning. Management practices such as performing cleaning operations indoors, and/or collecting the stormwater runoff from the cleaning area and providing treatment or recycling should be considered.

3.2.3.1.3 Aircraft, Ground Vehicle and Equipment Storage Areas - The storage of aircraft, ground vehicles and equipment awaiting maintenance must be confined to designated areas (delineated on the site map). The plan must describe measures that prevent or minimize the contamination of the stormwater runoff from these areas. Management practices such as indoor storage of aircraft and ground vehicles, the use of drip pans for the collection of fluid leaks, and perimeter drains, dikes or berms surrounding storage areas should be considered.

3.2.3.1.4 Material Storage Areas - Storage units of all materials (e.g., used oils, hydraulic fluids, spent solvents, and waste aircraft fuel) must be maintained in good condition, so as to prevent or minimize contamination of stormwater, and plainly labeled (e.g., "used oil," "Contaminated Jet A," etc.). The plan must describe measures that prevent or minimize contamination of the stormwater runoff from storage areas. Management practices or equivalent measures such as
indoor storage of materials, centralized storage areas for waste materials, and/or installation of berming and diking around storage areas should be considered for implementation.

3.2.3.1.5 Airport Fuel System and Fueling Areas - The plan must describe measures that prevent or minimize the discharge of fuels to the storm sewer resulting from fuel servicing activities or other operations conducted in support of the airport fuel system. Where the discharge of fuels into the storm sewer cannot be prevented, the plan shall indicate measures that will be employed to prevent or minimize the discharge of the contaminated runoff into receiving surface waters. Management practices or equivalent measures such as implementing spill and overflow practices (e.g., placing sorptive materials beneath aircraft during fueling operations), using dry cleanup methods, and/or collecting the stormwater runoff should be considered.

3.2.3.2 Preventive Maintenance - A preventive maintenance program shall involve timely inspection and maintenance of stormwater management devices (e.g., cleaning oil/water separators, removing debris from catch basins) as well as inspecting and testing facility equipment and systems to uncover conditions that could cause breakdowns or failures resulting in discharges of pollutants to surface waters, and ensuring appropriate maintenance of such equipment and systems.

3.2.3.3 Spill Prevention and Response Procedures - Areas where potential spills which can contribute pollutants to stormwater discharges can occur, and their accompanying drainage points shall be identified clearly in the stormwater pollution prevention plan. The plan shall describe material handling procedures, storage requirements, and consider the use of equipment such as diversion valves. Procedures for cleaning up spills shall be identified in the plan and made available to the appropriate personnel. The necessary equipment to implement a clean-up should be available to personnel.

3.2.3.3.1 Source Reduction - Operators who conduct aircraft and/or runway (including taxiways and ramps) deicing/anti-icing operations shall evaluate present operating procedures to consider alternative practices to reduce the overall amount of deicing/anti-icing chemicals used and/or lessen the environmental impact of the pollutant source.

3.2.3.3.2 With regard to runway deicing operations, operators, at a minimum, shall evaluate: present application rates to ensure against excessive over application; metered application of deicing chemical; pre-wetting dry chemical constituents prior to application; installation of runway ice detection systems; implementing anti-icing operations as a preventive measure against ice buildup; the use of substitute deicing compounds such as potassium acetate in lieu of ethylene glycol, propylene glycol and/or urea.

3.2.3.3.3 In considering source reduction management practices for aircraft deicing operations, operators, at a minimum, should evaluate current application rates and practices to ensure against excessive over application, and consider pretreating aircraft with hot water prior to the application of a deicing chemical, thus reducing the overall amount of chemical used per operation.

3.2.3.3.4 Source reduction measures that the operator determines to be reasonable and appropriate shall be implemented and maintained. The plan shall provide a narrative explanation of the options
considered and the reasoning for whether or not to implement them.

3.2.3.4 Management of Runoff - The plan shall contain a narrative consideration of the appropriateness of traditional stormwater management practices (practices other than those which prevent or reduce source(s) of pollutants) used to divert, infiltrate, reuse, or otherwise manage stormwater runoff in a manner that reduces pollutants in stormwater discharges from the site. The potential of various sources at the facility to contribute pollutants to stormwater discharges associated with industrial activity [see paragraph 11.S.3.2.2 (Description of Potential Pollutant Sources)] shall be considered. Appropriate measures or equivalent measures may include: vegetative swales, reuse of collected stormwater (such as for a process or as an irrigation source), inlet controls (such as oil/water separators), snow management activities, infiltration devices, and wet detention/retention devices. Measures that the permittee determines to be reasonable and appropriate shall be implemented and maintained.

Operators that conduct aircraft and/or runway deicing/anti-icing operations shall also provide a narrative consideration of management practices to control or manage contaminated runoff from areas where deicing/anti-icing operations occur to reduce the amount of pollutants being discharged from the site. Structural controls such as establishing a centralized aircraft deicing facility, and/or collection of contaminated runoff for treatment or recycling should be considered. Collection and treatment alternatives include, but are not limited to, retention basins, detention basins with metered controlled release, Underground Storage Tanks (USTs) and/or disposal to Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTW) by way of sanitary sewer or hauling tankers. Runoff management controls that the operator determines to be reasonable and appropriate shall be implemented and maintained. The plan should consider the recovery of deicing/anti-icing materials when these materials are applied during non-precipitation events to prevent these materials from later becoming a source of stormwater contamination. The plan shall provide a narrative explanation of the controls selected and the reasons for their selection.

3.2.3.5 Inspections - In addition to or as part of the comprehensive site evaluation required under this section, qualified facility personnel shall be identified to inspect designated equipment and areas of the facility specified in the plan. The inspection frequency shall be specified in the plan, but at a minimum be conducted once per week during deicing/anti-icing application periods for areas where deicing/anti-icing operations are being conducted. A set of tracking or follow-up procedures shall be used to ensure that appropriate actions are taken in response to the inspections. Records of inspections shall be maintained. The use of a checklist developed by the pollution prevention team is encouraged.

Note that additional Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) requirements for discharges into waters with unavailable parameters or Exceptional Tennessee waters, as described in the subpart 4.6 of this permit may be applicable to your facility.

3.2.3.6 Pollution Prevention Training - Pollution prevention training programs shall be developed to inform management and personnel responsible for implementing activities identified in the stormwater pollution prevention plan of the components and goals of the plan. Training should address topics such as spill response, good housekeeping, aircraft and runway deicing/anti-icing procedures, and material management practices. The pollution prevention plan shall identify periodic dates for such training.
3.2.3.7 Recordkeeping and Internal Reporting Procedures - A description of incidents (such as spills, or other discharges), along with other information describing the quality and quantity of stormwater discharges shall be included in the plan. Inspections and maintenance activities shall be documented and records shall be incorporated into the plan.

3.2.3.8 Non-stormwater Discharges

3.2.3.8.1 The plan shall include a certification that the discharge points have been tested or evaluated for the presence of non-stormwater discharges. The certification shall include the identification of potential significant sources of non-stormwater at the site, a description of the results of any test and/or evaluation for the presence of non-stormwater discharges, the evaluation criteria or testing method used, the date of any testing and/or evaluation, and the onsite drainage points that were directly observed during the test. Certifications shall be signed in accordance with subpart 7.7 of this permit. Such certification may not be feasible if the facility operating the stormwater discharge associated with industrial activity does not have access to an outfall, manhole, or other point of access to the ultimate conduit which receives the discharge. In such cases, the source identification section of the stormwater pollution prevention plan shall indicate why the certification required by this part was not feasible, along with the identification of potential significant sources of non-stormwater at the site. A discharger that is unable to provide the certification required by this paragraph must notify the Division of Water Resources in accordance with paragraph “Failure to Certify” (below).

3.2.3.8.2 Sources of non-stormwater that are combined with stormwater discharges associated with industrial activity must be identified in the plan. The plan shall identify and ensure the implementation of appropriate pollution prevention measures for the non-stormwater component(s) of the discharge. Any non-stormwater discharges that are not permitted under an individual NPDES permit should be brought to the attention of the division’s local Environmental Field Office (see list of EFOs on page 14).

3.2.3.8.3 Failure to Certify - Any facility that is unable to provide the certification required (testing for non-stormwater discharges), must notify the Division of Water Resources by Not later than 180 days after submitting a notice of intent to be covered by this permit. If the failure to certify is caused by the inability to perform adequate tests or evaluations, such notification shall describe: the procedure of any test conducted for the presence of non-stormwater discharges; the results of such test or other relevant observations; potential sources of non-stormwater discharges to the storm sewer; and why adequate tests for such storm sewers were not feasible. Non-stormwater discharges to waters of the state which are not authorized by an NPDES permit are unlawful, and must be terminated.

3.2.3.8.4 Sediment and Erosion Control - The plan shall identify areas which, due to topography, activities, or other factors, have a high potential for significant soil erosion, and identify structural, vegetative, and/or stabilization measures to be used to limit erosion.

3.2.4 Comprehensive Site Compliance Evaluation. Qualified personnel shall conduct site compliance evaluations during periods of deicing/anti-icing operations at appropriate
intervals specified in the SWPPP, but in no case less than once a year. Such evaluations shall provide:

3.2.4.1 Areas contributing to a stormwater discharge associated with industrial activity shall be visually inspected for evidence of, or the potential for, pollutants entering the drainage system (and potentially waters of the state). Measures to reduce pollutant loadings shall be evaluated to determine whether they are adequate and properly implemented in accordance with the terms of the permit or whether additional control measures are needed. Structural stormwater management measures, sediment and erosion control measures, and other structural pollution prevention measures identified in the plan shall be observed to ensure that they are operating correctly. A visual inspection of equipment needed to implement the plan, such as spill response equipment, shall be made.

3.2.4.2 Based on the results of the evaluation, the description of potential pollutant sources identified in the plan in accordance with paragraph 11.S.3.2.3 of this section (Description of Potential Pollutant Sources) and pollution prevention measures and controls identified in the plan in accordance with paragraph 11.S.3.2.3 of this section (Measures and Controls) shall be revised as appropriate within 2 weeks of such evaluation and shall provide for implementation of any changes to the plan in a timely manner, but in no case more than 12 weeks after the evaluation.

3.2.4.3 A report summarizing the scope of the evaluation, personnel making the evaluation, the date(s) of the evaluation, major observations relating to the implementation of the stormwater pollution prevention plan, and actions taken in accordance with the permit shall be made and retained as part of the stormwater pollution prevention plan for at least 3 years from the date of the evaluation. The report shall identify any incidents of noncompliance. Where a report does not identify any incidents of noncompliance, the report shall contain a certification that the facility is in compliance with the stormwater pollution prevention plan and this permit. The report shall be signed in accordance with subpart 7.7 (Signatory Requirements) of this permit.

3.2.4.4 Where compliance evaluation schedules overlap with inspections required under 11.S.3.2.3.4, the compliance evaluation may be conducted in place of one such inspection.

4. **Numeric Effluent Limitations**

There are no additional numeric effluent limitations beyond those described in subpart 5.2 (Coal Pile Runoff) of the TMSP.

5. **Monitoring and Reporting Requirements**

Permittees subject to Numeric Effluent Limitations described in subpart 5.2 above (Coal Pile Runoff) must submit to the division monitoring results annually on a signed copy of the Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR, see Addendum E).

Permittees subject to Analytical Monitoring Requirements as described in subpart 5.1 of this sector (see below) must submit the benchmark results using an Annual Stormwater Monitoring Report (see Addendum D) to the division.
5.1 Analytical Monitoring Requirements

During the period beginning on the effective date and lasting through the expiration date of this permit, (airports that use more than 100,000 gallons of glycol-based deicing/anti-icing) chemicals and/or 100 tons or more of urea on an average annual basis):

Shall prepare estimates for annual pollutant loadings resulting from discharges of spent deicing/anti-icing chemicals from the entire airport. The loading estimates shall reflect the amounts of deicing/anti-icing chemicals discharged to separate storm sewer systems or surface waters, prior to and after implementation of the facility's stormwater pollution prevention plan. Such estimates shall be reviewed by an environmental professional, and certified by such professional. By means of the certification, the environmental professional, having examined the facility's deicing/anti-icing procedures, and proposed control measures described in the stormwater pollution prevention plan, shall attest that the loading estimates have been accurately prepared. Certified loading estimates are to be retained at the airport facility and attached to the stormwater pollution prevention plan.

5.2 Analytical Monitoring Requirements

During the term of this permit, airports that use more than 100,000 gallons of glycol-based deicing/anti-icing) chemicals and/or 100 tons or more of urea on an average annual basis must monitor their stormwater discharges associated with industrial activity at least once per calendar year (annually), except as provided in paragraphs 5.1.3 (Sampling Waiver), 5.1.4 (Representative Discharge), and 5.1.5 (Alternative Certification). For SIC-specific breakdown of monitoring requirements and applicable Monitoring Requirements (listed below), see Table in Part 1 of this industrial sector (1. Discharges Covered Under This Section). Airports which are subject to these monitoring requirements must sample their stormwater discharges for the parameters listed in Table S-1 below. Such facilities must report in accordance with 5.2 (Reporting). In addition to the parameters listed in Table S-1 below, the permittee shall maintain a record of the date and duration (in hours) of the precipitation event(s) sampled; measurements or estimates (in inches) of the precipitation event that generated the sampled runoff; the duration between the event sampled and the end of the previous measurable (greater than 0.1 inch rainfall) event; and an estimate of the total volume (in gallons) of the discharge sampled.

Table S-1. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements

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For the purposes of today's final permit, the "average annual" usage rate of deicing/anti-icing chemicals is determined by averaging the cumulative amount of deicing/anti-icing chemicals used by all operators at the airport facility in the 3 previous calendar years.

5.2.1 Monitoring Periods. Airports where more than 100,000 gallons of glycol-based deicing/anti-icing chemicals and/or 100 tons or more of urea are used on an average annual basis shall monitor outfalls from the facility that collect runoff from areas where deicing/anti-icing activities occur four times per year during the months of December, January, and February when deicing/anti-icing activities are occurring, in the years specified in paragraph b. (above).

5.2.2 Sample Type. A minimum of one grab sample and one flow-weighted composite sample shall be taken from each outfall that collects runoff from areas where deicing/anti-icing activities occur. All such samples shall be collected from a discharge resulting from a precipitation event that is greater than 0.1 inches in magnitude and that occurs at least 72 hours from the previously measurable (greater than 0.1 inch rainfall) precipitation event. The required 72-hour storm event interval is waived where the preceding measurable storm event did not result in a measurable discharge from the facility. The required 72-hour storm event interval may also be waived where the permittee documents that less than a 72-hour interval is representative for local storm events during the season when sampling is being conducted. The grab sample should be taken when pollutant concentrations in the stormwater/melt water discharges from deicing/anti-icing operations are expected to be at a maximum. The recommended methodology for performing grab and flow-weighted composite sampling is described at 40 CFR 122.21(g)(7). The permittee has the option to submit site-specific deicing/anti-icing discharge monitoring protocol and methodology, better suited to the particular facility, to the Division of Water Resources for approval.

In addition, the permittee shall evaluate the results obtained from sampling and monitoring following the required annual sampling events to determine whether the facility is below, meets, or exceeds the monitoring benchmarks as shown in the table above. If the results of annual stormwater runoff monitoring demonstrate that the facility has exceeded the benchmark(s), the permittee must inform the division’s local Environmental Field Office in writing within 30 days from the time stormwater monitoring results were received, describing the likely cause of the exceedance(s). Furthermore, within 60 days from the time stormwater monitoring results were received, the facility must review its stormwater pollution prevention plan, make any modifications or additions to the plan which would assist in reducing effluent concentrations to less than the monitoring benchmarks for that facility, and submit to the division’s local Environmental Field Office a brief summary of the proposed SWPPP modifications (including a timetable for implementation). The modification or additions to the SWPPP should be implemented as soon as practicable.

In the event of a repeated benchmark exceedance, the permittee can, in consultation with the division, make a determination that no further pollutant reduction is technologically available, economically practicable and achievable in light of best industry practices. The permittee must document the rationale for concluding that no further pollutant reductions are achievable, and retain all records related to this documentation with the SWPPP.
5.2.3 Sampling Waiver

5.2.3.1 Adverse Conditions - Adverse weather conditions that may prohibit the collection of samples include weather conditions that create dangerous conditions for personnel (such as high winds, blizzard conditions, ice storms, etc.) or otherwise make the collection of a sample impracticable (extended frozen conditions, etc.).

5.2.3.2 Low Concentration Waiver - When the average concentration for a pollutant calculated from monitoring data collected from first 4 calendar years of monitoring is less than the corresponding reporting value for that pollutant (Monitoring Benchmark), a facility may waive monitoring and reporting requirements in the last annual monitoring period. The facility must submit to the Division of Water Resources, in lieu of the monitoring data, a certification that there has not been a significant change in industrial activity or the pollution prevention measures in area of the facility which drains to the outfall for which sampling was waived.

5.2.3.3 When a discharger is unable to conduct annual chemical stormwater sampling at an inactive and unstaffed site, the operator of the facility may exercise a waiver of the monitoring requirements as long as the facility remains inactive and unstaffed. The facility must submit to the Division of Water Resources, in lieu of monitoring data, a certification statement on the TMSP Stormwater Monitoring Report stating that the site is inactive and unstaffed so that collecting a sample during a qualifying event is not possible.

5.2.4 Representative Discharge. When a facility has two or more outfalls that, based on a consideration of industrial activity, significant materials, and management practices and activities within the area drained by the outfall, the permittee reasonably believes discharge substantially identical effluents, the permittee may test the effluent of one of such outfalls and report that the quantitative data also applies to the substantially identical outfall(s) provided that the permittee includes in the stormwater pollution prevention plan a description of the location of the outfalls and explains in detail why the outfalls are expected to discharge substantially identical effluents. In addition, for each outfall that the permittee believes is representative, an estimate of the size of the drainage area (in square feet) and an estimate of the runoff coefficient of the drainage area [e.g., low (under 40 percent), medium (40 to 65 percent), or high (above 65 percent)] shall be provided in the plan. The permittee shall include the description of the location of the outfalls, explanation of why outfalls are expected to discharge substantially identical effluents, and estimate of the size of the drainage area and runoff coefficient with the TMSP Stormwater Monitoring Report.

5.2.5 Alternative Certification. The Alternative Certification provision discussed in other sections of Part 11 is not applicable to discharges included under Part 11.S. (Stormwater Discharges Associated with Industrial Activity from Vehicle Maintenance Areas, Equipment Cleaning Areas, or Deicing/Anti-icing Areas Located at Air Transportation Facilities).

5.3 Reporting

Airports shall submit monitoring results for each outfall associated with industrial activity obtained during the annual reporting period on TMSP Stormwater Monitoring Report Form(s). The form(s) shall be submitted 30 days after the sampling results are obtained,
but no later than the March 31st of the following calendar year, whichever comes first. For each outfall, one signed TMSP Stormwater Monitoring Report form must be submitted to the Division of Water Resources. Signed copies of TMSP Stormwater Monitoring Reports, or said certifications, shall be submitted to the division at the appropriate EFO for the county where the facility is located. A list of EFOs and their addresses are available in subpart 3.3 above.

5.4 Quarterly Visual Examination of Stormwater Quality. Facilities shall perform and document a visual examination of a stormwater discharge associated with industrial activity from each outfall, except discharges exempted below. The examination must be made at least once in each designated period [described in (1), below] during daylight hours unless there is insufficient rainfall or snow melt to produce a runoff event.

5.4.1 Examinations shall be conducted in each of the following periods for the purposes of visually inspecting stormwater quality associated with stormwater runoff or snow melt: January through March; April through June; July through September; and October through December.

5.4.2 Examinations shall be made of samples collected within the first 30 minutes (or as soon thereafter as practical, but not to exceed one hour) of when the runoff or snowmelt begins discharging. The examinations shall document observations of color, odor, clarity, floating solids, settled solids, suspended solids, foam, oil sheen, and other obvious indicators of stormwater pollution. The examination must be conducted in a well-lit area. No analytical tests are required to be performed on the samples. All such samples shall be collected from the discharge resulting from a storm event that is greater than 0.1 inches in magnitude and that occurs at least 72 hours from the previously measurable (greater than 0.1 inch rainfall) storm event. Where practicable, the same individual will carry out the collection and examination of discharges for the life of the permit.

5.4.3 When a discharger is unable to collect samples over the course of the visual examination period as a result of adverse climatic conditions, the discharger must document the reason for not performing the visual examination and retain this documentation onsite with the records of the visual examination. Adverse weather conditions that may prohibit the collection of samples include weather conditions that create dangerous conditions for personnel (such as local flooding, high winds, hurricanes, tornadoes, electrical storms, etc.) or otherwise make the collection of a sample impracticable (drought, extended frozen conditions, etc.).

5.4.4 When a discharger is unable to conduct visual stormwater examinations at an inactive and unstaffed site, the operator of the facility may exercise a waiver of the monitoring requirement as long as the facility remains inactive and unstaffed. The facility must maintain a certification with the pollution prevention plan stating that the site is inactive and unstaffed so that performing visual examinations during a qualifying event is not feasible.

5.4.5 Visual examination reports must be maintained onsite in the pollution prevention plan or with other compliance records. The report shall include the examination date and time, examination personnel, the nature of the discharge (i.e., runoff or snow melt), visual quality of the stormwater discharge (including observations of color, odor, clarity, floating solids, settled solids, suspended solids, foam, oil sheen, and other obvious indicators of stormwater pollution), and probable sources of any observed stormwater contamination.
5.4.6 When a facility has two or more outfalls that, based on a consideration of industrial activity, significant materials, and management practices and activities within the area drained by the outfall, the permittee reasonably believes discharge substantially identical effluents, the permittee may collect a sample of effluent of one of such outfalls and report that the examination data also applies to the substantially identical outfalls provided that the permittee includes in the stormwater pollution prevention plan a description of the location of the outfalls and explaining in detail why the outfalls are expected to discharge substantially identical effluents. In addition, for each outfall that the permittee believes is representative, an estimate of the size of the drainage area (in square feet) and an estimate of the runoff coefficient of the drainage area [e.g., low (under 40 percent), medium (40 to 65 percent), or high (above 65 percent)] shall be provided in the plan.