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Tennessee Multi-Sector General Permit (TMSP) for Discharges of Stormwater Associated with Industrial Activities

Sector T - Summary

You now have Tennessee Multi-Sector Permit (TMSP) coverage. Here's what to do next:

- 1. Make sure the **Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan** (SWPPP) is signed annually, made readily accessible, and contains the following information (*Section 3.2*):
 - ✓ List of current pollution prevention team members (Section 3.2.1),
 - ✓ General site description (Section 3.2.2),
 - \checkmark Site map (Section 3.2.3),
 - ✓ Substantially Identical Discharge Points (SIDP) (Section 3.2.4)
 - ✓ Summary of potential pollutant sources (Section 3.2.5),
 - ✓ Description of stormwater control measures (SCMs) (Section 3.2.6),
 - ✓ Schedules and procedures for compliance (Section 3.2.7),
 - ✓ Inspection details (Section 3.2.8),
 - \checkmark Monitoring information (Section 3.2.9),
 - \checkmark Documentation to support eligibility with other federal laws (Section 3.2.10),
 - ✓ Signature requirements (Section 3.2.11),
 - ✓ Copy of the NOC along with any relevant correspondence (Section 3.5).
- 2. Conduct and document assessments/inspections including date and time, weather conditions, name of inspector(s), problems noted (including location) and condition of SCM(s) and keep inspection notes in the SWPPP (Section 4.4). Assessment and inspection notes must be summarized in a report also to be kept in the SWPPP. Each report must be signed by facility signatory authority. Assessments/inspections should be conducted as follows:
 - ✓ Quarterly Conduct visual assessments of all outfalls (Section 4.1).
 - o At least one of the quarterly visual assessments must be conducted during a rain event.
 - O Visual assessment should document any potential evidence of stormwater runoff pollution such as color, odor, oil sheen, foam, sediment, or other obvious indicators. If evidence of pollution is observed, the facility is encouraged to initiate corrective actions per Section 6.2 and 6.4 and consider increasing visual assessment frequency to monthly; and
 - ✓ Annually Conduct comprehensive inspection of facility, including at least one member of the pollution prevention team during the inspection (*Section 4.2*).
 - Inspection should review potential pollutant sources, areas where spills/leaks may have occurred, condition of outfalls, potential non-stormwater discharges and conditions of SCMs.
 If evidence of pollution is observed, the facility is encouraged to initiate corrective actions per Section 6.2 and 6.4.

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- 3. Conduct sampling during wet weather, collecting stormwater samples from the outfall(s) and have them analyzed by a certified lab (*Part 5*).
 - ✓ What to sample for? Check tables with parameters in Section 9.20.
 - ✓ Discharge Monitoring Reports (DMRs) and DMR attachments, including any supporting laboratory data, must be submitted electronically using NetDMR, no later than the March 31 of the calendar year following the end of the annual monitoring period. The first DMR for the annual monitoring period of January 1, 2025, to December 31, 2025, must be submitted in NetDMR by March 31, 2026 (Section 7.1).
 - ✓ For contact and training information about NetDMR electronic reporting, visit TDEC's website at https://www.tn.gov/environment/program-areas/wr-water-resources/netdmr-and-electronic-reporting/getting-started-in-netdmr.html.
 - ✓ If exceedances occur, the facility is required to implement Additional Implementation Measures (AIM) (Section 6.3 and 6.4).
 - \checkmark Keep copy of the lab results and the report you submitted (Section 7.4) in the SWPPP.
 - ✓ Sampling frequency is annual unless identified elsewhere to be more frequent (*Section 1.3.2, 5.1.8, 6.3*).
- 4. Additional Implementation Measures (AIM-*Part 6*)-utilized to minimize or eliminate pollutants in the facility runoff, which could include: additional inspections/assessments, more frequent employee training, updated operational procedures and equipment maintenance, improved/redesigned SCMs or engaging a qualified person to conduct evaluation of facility and recommend improvements. The facility should:
 - ✓ Review observations documented during visual assessment and comprehensive facility inspections. If presence of pollutants is indicated, facility is encouraged to implement AIM Section 6.2 and 6.4 to minimize or eliminate pollutants in facility runoff.
 - ✓ Review sampling results. If exceedance of benchmark value or ELG limit, the facility is required to implement AIM Section 6.3 and 6.4.

Note: Some streams in Tennessee are polluted. Information regarding polluted streams can be obtained at https://tdeconline.tn.gov/dwr/. If your facility discharges a pollutant that matches a pollutant found in the receiving stream, we'll let you know on the Notice of Coverage – additional requirements may apply (Section 1.3.1).

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