



OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
Water Discharge Permit

FINAL

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GENERAL PERMIT NUMBER LAG830000

DISCHARGES RESULTING FROM IMPLEMENTING CORRECTIVE ACTION PLANS
FOR CLEANUP OF PETROLEUM UST SYSTEMS

Pursuant to the Clean Water Act, as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251 *et seq.*), and the Louisiana Environmental Quality Act, as amended (La. R.S. 30:2001, *et seq.*), rules and regulations effective or promulgated under the authority of said Acts, this Louisiana Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (LPDES) General Permit is reissued. This permit authorizes persons who meet the requirements of Part I.A herein and who have been approved by the Office, to discharge to waters of the State treated groundwater, purge water from groundwater monitoring wells, tank washwater and ballast waters, wastewater associated with the remediation of petroleum-contaminated soils and groundwater, dewatering releases associated with the excavation of petroleum-contaminated soils, and potentially contaminated storm water from a site that is implementing a corrective action plan for cleanup of a petroleum underground storage tank (UST) system in accordance with effluent limitations, monitoring requirements, and other conditions set forth in Parts I, II, and III of this permit.

This permit shall become effective on *December 15, 2002*

This permit and the authorization to discharge shall expire five (5) years from the effective date.

Issued on *December 10, 2002*


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Assistant Secretary

SECTION A. APPLICABILITY

All persons operating a source or conducting an activity that results in discharges related to implementing corrective action plans for cleanup of petroleum underground storage tank (UST) systems, are eligible for coverage under this general permit and will become permittees authorized to discharge upon written notification of coverage by this Office. A petroleum UST system is defined in 40 CFR 280 as "an underground storage tank system that contains petroleum or a mixture of petroleum with de minimis quantities of other regulated substances" ("regulated substance" is defined in 40 CFR 280). Such systems include those containing motor fuels, jet fuels, distillate fuel oils, residual fuel oils, lubricants, petroleum solvents and used oils. The types of facilities at which a petroleum UST system might be located are gas stations, convenience stores, truck stops, and vehicle maintenance and storage facilities with fuel pumps, as well as any facility where petroleum products are stored in underground storage tanks. For the purpose of this permit, "petroleum" shall mean crude oil, gasoline, diesel fuel, aviation fuel, fuel oils, gasoline additives stored and used in conjunction with gasoline storage, petroleum lubricants, petroleum solvents or petroleum derived asphalts.

Permittees covered under this general permit may obtain either site-specific or statewide authorization to discharge. Site owners or operators who are implementing corrective action plans for cleanup of petroleum UST systems at a single site may be covered on a site-specific basis by this general permit. Site owners or operators who are implementing corrective action plans at more than one location in the state may obtain statewide coverage under this permit for discharges related to those remedial activities. Statewide authorization numbers shall be designated LAG839XXX while the site-specific authorization numbers are LAG83YXXX, where X equals a numeral from 0 to 9 and Y equals a numeral from 0 to 8.

Discharges of treated groundwater, potentially contaminated storm water, and/or associated wastewaters generated at sites where contamination has resulted from sources other than petroleum UST systems must obtain coverage under a different LPDES permit. Discharges consisting entirely of wastewaters that result from a source or an activity related to the identification, evaluation, and/or cleanup of petroleum-contaminated sites, areas or containers (such as above ground storage tanks) that contain(ed) petroleum substances, such as motor fuels, jet fuels and fuel oils may be covered by LPDES General Permit number LAG940000 (Discharges of Treated Groundwater, Potentially Contaminated Storm Water, and/or Associated Wastewaters). It is not the intent of DEQ to offer coverage to those non-UST-generated wastewaters under this permit (LAG830000), but rather to continue to cover those discharges under LAG940000.

Notice of Intent (NOI) to be covered under this general permit shall be made using Form PST-G or an approved equivalent which may be obtained from the LDEQ web site at <http://www.deq.state.la.us/permits/index.htm>, or by calling (225) 765-0219. The appropriate box should be checked on the NOI to request either site-specific coverage or statewide coverage. Proposed facilities desiring site-specific coverage under this permit must submit an NOI at least fourteen (14) days prior to commencement of discharge. If activity is currently being conducted on a site-specific basis or a statewide basis and has not been permitted, an NOI shall be submitted immediately. Operators who propose to discharge wastewater resulting from implementing

corrective action plans for cleanup of petroleum UST systems on a statewide basis and who desire coverage under this permit should submit an NOI at least fourteen (14) days prior to commencement of discharge. The NOI for statewide coverage shall include an attached list of all the existing sites that will be covered under the statewide authorization number. If any of the sites on that list have site-specific coverage, that coverage will be canceled upon request of the permittee. Dischargers who are currently permitted under the LPDES version of this permit that expires on December 16, 2002, are not required to submit a new NOI; these permitted dischargers will automatically be covered under this LPDES permit and a copy of it will be sent to them. Any permittee covered by an individual permit may request that the individual permit be canceled if the permitted source or activity is also accepted for coverage by this general permit. Upon written approval by this Office, the permittee will be concurrently notified of his coverage by this general permit and of the cancellation of the previous permit.

Facilities covered by this general permit include owners or operators of a source or an activity that results in discharges related to implementing corrective action plans for cleanup of petroleum underground storage tank (UST) systems. All wastewaters covered by this permit must be treated, if necessary, to meet the effluent limitations, before being discharged from the site of origin. Wastewater types other than those described herein are not authorized under this general permit and discharge of such wastewaters at a site covered under this general permit will constitute a violation of the permit unless authorization to discharge has been granted under a separate LWDPS or LPDES permit. This permit does not, in any way, relieve the permittee or applicant from conducting the Toxicity Characteristic Leaching Procedure (TCLP) if that procedure is required by other regulations. Wastewater which is subject to the TCLP may be discharged in accordance with this permit only after it has been determined non-hazardous. If the wastewater is determined to be hazardous, approval for disposal must be obtained from the Office of Environmental Services, Permits Division.

Discharges of the following wastewaters are covered by this general permit:

1. treated groundwater;
2. purge water from groundwater monitoring wells;
3. tank washwater and ballast waters;
4. wastewater associated with the remediation of petroleum-contaminated soils and groundwater;
5. dewatering releases associated with the excavation of petroleum-contaminated soils; and
6. potentially contaminated storm water.

This general permit shall not apply to:

1. petroleum-contaminated water generated at sites that are not implementing a Corrective Action Plan for Cleanup of a Petroleum UST System;
2. petroleum-contaminated water generated at a different site/facility;
3. wastewater that fails the TCLP test;
4. discharges of wastewaters which have limits assigned to them in the Louisiana Water Quality Management Plan or an approved Waste Load Allocation that are more stringent than those in this permit;
5. discharges which are likely to have adverse effects upon threatened or endangered species, or on the critical habitat for these species as determined by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service;
6. discharges which adversely affect properties listed or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places, unless they are in compliance with requirements of the National Historic Preservation Act and any necessary activities to avoid or minimize impacts have been coordinated with the appropriate State Historic Preservation Officer;
7. discharges of wastewater determined by this Office to present an environmental risk or potential risk of discharging pollutants other than is intended to be regulated by this permit; or
8. discharges which cause or contribute to the violation of a state water quality standard.

This general permit may not apply to:

1. discharges from facilities not in compliance with a previously issued individual or general wastewater discharge permit;
2. discharges from facilities which have previously been in violation of state water quality regulations; or
3. discharges from facilities which are located in an environmentally sensitive area.

This Office reserves the right to issue these facilities an individual industrial permit with more appropriate limitations and conditions.

SECTION B. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS

During the period beginning with the written notification of coverage under this permit and lasting through the expiration date of this general permit, all permittees covered under this general permit are authorized to discharge treated groundwater, purge water from groundwater monitoring wells, tank washwater and ballast waters, wastewater associated with the remediation of petroleum-contaminated soils and groundwater, dewatering releases associated with the excavation of petroleum-contaminated soils, and potentially contaminated storm water.

EFFLUENT CHARACTERISTICS	DISCHARGE LIMITATIONS				MONITORING REQUIREMENTS	
	MONTHLY AVERAGE		DAILY MAX		MEASUREMENT FREQUENCY ^{1,2}	SAMPLE TYPE
Flow (MGD)	Report		Report		1/week	Estimate
TOC	50 mg/L		50 mg/L		1/week	Grab
Benzene ³	5 µg/L		5 µg/L		1/week	Grab
Total BTEX ⁴	100 µg/L		100 µg/L		1/week	Grab
Lead, Total	50 µg/L		50 µg/L		1/week	Grab
Polynuclear Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAH)	10 µg/L		10 µg/L		1/month	Grab
pH - Allowable Range (Standard Units)	6.0 (Min)	9.0 (Max)	6.0 (Min)	9.0 (Max)	1/week	Grab

¹Monitoring shall be 1/week using grab samples, except for PAHs (see footnote 2 below). After demonstrating permit limit compliance for 4 consecutive weeks, the frequency shall be reduced to 1/month upon the permittee's submission of a certification of such compliance. After a subsequent limit violation, the frequency for that parameter reverts to 1/week until another four week compliance period is demonstrated. During the first 4 weeks of discharge, however, a limit violation increases frequency for that parameter to daily until a sample demonstrates compliance, after which it will revert to 1/week for the remainder of the initial 4 week discharge period.

²Flow reporting, and TOC, Benzene, Total BTEX, Lead and pH limitations and monitoring requirements are applicable to all discharges covered by this permit.

PAH limitations and monitoring shall not be required at facilities where contamination can reasonably be assumed to be the result of only gasoline, jet fuel, and/or kerosene. The Monthly Avg and Daily Max value of any of the following PAHs shall not exceed 10 µg/L: acenaphthene, acenaphthylene, anthracene, benzo(a)anthracene, benzo(b)fluoranthene, benzo(k)fluoranthene, benzo(ghi)perylene, benzo(a)pyrene, chrysene, dibenzo(a,h)anthracene, fluoranthene, fluorene, indeno(1,2,3,cd)pyrene, naphthalene, phenanthrene, pyrene.

PAH monitoring shall be 1/month using grab samples. After four (4) consecutive months of compliance the monitoring frequency shall decrease to 1/quarter. If any monitoring results in an exceedance of the permit limitation then monitoring frequency shall revert to 1/month until 4 consecutive months of compliance are achieved.

³For Discharge Monitoring Report calculations and reporting requirements for benzene, analytical test results less than 10 µg/L may be reported as zero.

⁴BTEX shall be measured as the sum of benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, ortho-xylene, meta-xylene, and para-xylene, as quantified by EPA methods 602, 624, or 1624. EPA Method 8021B shall be used for the measurement of xylenes including ortho-, meta-, and para-xylenes.

There shall be no discharge of floating solids or visible foam in other than trace amounts, or of free oil or other oily materials, or of toxic materials in quantities such as to cause acute toxicity to aquatic organisms. Furthermore, there shall be no visible sheen or stains attributable to this discharge, nor shall there be any accumulation of solids in the receiving stream which has the potential to negatively impact aquatic life or hinder natural drainage.

No discharge shall generate a flow condition within any drainage conveyance or waterbody which, either alone or in concert with storm water runoff, represents a threat to public safety by virtue of discharge velocity.

In addition to all other conditions and requirements contained within this permit, the permittee shall follow all reporting requirements in Part II.B of this permit.

SECTION C. MONITORING REQUIREMENTS

1. All sampling and testing shall be conducted in accordance with the latest EPA-approved edition of Standard Methods For the Examination of Water and Wastewater.
2. Samples shall be taken **prior to mixing with the receiving water** (immediately after exiting the treatment mechanism, if treatment is required).
3. Proper sampling techniques shall be used to ensure that analytical results are representative of pollutants in the discharge.
4. The discharge must comply with effluent limitations at all times during the discharge. If a discharge is found to be in violation of specified limits, the permittee will be subject to enforcement action, including civil penalties, and may be required to obtain an individual permit.
5. All monitoring records must be retained for a period of at least three years from the date of the sample measurements. The permittee shall make available to this Office, upon request, copies of all monitoring data required by this permit.

Records of monitoring information shall include the following:

- a. date, exact place, and time of sampling or measuring;
 - b. individual(s) who performed the sampling or measurements;
 - c. date(s) and time(s) analyses were begun;
 - d. individual(s) who performed the analyses;
 - e. analytical techniques or methods used;
 - f. results of such analyses; and
 - g. results of all Quality Control procedures.
6. The monitoring results obtained during the previous 12 months shall be summarized and reported on a Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) form EPA No. 3320-1 or an approved substitute (one DMR per month), and submitted to this Office and to the appropriate DEQ Regional Office on a yearly basis. **All permittees must submit DMRs annually even if there were no discharges during that monitoring period.** If there is no discharge during the sampling period, one DMR may be submitted with "No Discharge" written in the upper right corner of the DMR.

The schedule for DMR submission is as follows:

<u>Monitoring Period</u>	<u>DMRs Due</u>
January - December	January 28 th

In accordance with LAC 33:IX.2333.B, DMRs must be signed and certified by an authorized person. Discharge Monitoring Reports shall be submitted to the Enforcement Division of the Office of Environmental Compliance, and to the appropriate regional office at the addresses in the Current Address List attached to the cover letter that grants authorization to discharge under this general permit. Mailing addresses are also posted on the LDEQ web page at www.deq.state.la.us under "addresses and phone numbers".

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PART II OTHER REQUIREMENTS

The permittee must comply with all applicable provisions of the Louisiana Water Quality Regulations including standard conditions found in LAC 33:IX.2355. This Office has established the following definitions and requirements in accordance with those regulations. The definition of other terms may be found in the Louisiana Water Pollution Control Regulations (LAC 33:IX.2313).

SECTION A. DEFINITIONS

For definitions of monitoring and sampling terminology see Part III, Section F.

Additional definitions:

1. **Act**: means Act 449 of the 1979 Louisiana Legislature which established Section 2001 et seq. of Title 30 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 and any subsequent amendment to these Sections.
2. **Activity**: means any conduct, operation or process which causes or may cause the discharge of pollutants into the waters of the State.
3. **Ballast Water**: water that has been deposited into a storage tank in order to stabilize the tank during transfer or installation or to prevent flotation of the tank.
4. **Bypass**: means the intentional diversion of waste streams from any portion of a treatment facility.
5. **Daily Discharge**: means the discharge of a pollutant measured during a calendar day or any 24-hour period that reasonably represents the calendar day for purposes of sampling. For pollutants with limitations expressed in terms of mass, the "daily discharge" is calculated as the total mass of the pollutant discharged over the sampling day. For pollutants with limitations expressed in other units of measurement, the "daily discharge" is calculated as the average measurement of the pollutant over the sampling day. "Daily discharge" determination of concentration made using a composite sample shall be the concentration of the composite sample. When grab samples are used, the "daily discharge" determination of concentration shall be the arithmetic average (weighted by flow value) of all samples collected during that sampling day.
6. **Daily Maximum**: discharge limitation means the highest allowable "daily discharge" during the calendar month.
7. **Discharge**: when used without qualification means the "discharge of a pollutant."

8. **Facility**: means a pollution source, or any public or private property or site and all contiguous land and structures, other appurtenances and improvements, where any activity is conducted which discharges or may result in the discharge of pollutants into waters of the State.
9. **Grab Sample**: means an individual sample collected in less than 15 minutes.
10. **MGD**: means millions of gallons per day.
11. **mg/L**: means milligrams per liter; it is essentially equivalent to parts per million in dilute aqueous solutions.
12. **MOL**: mean Minimum Quantification Level which is the lowest concentration of an analyte that can be reliably achieved within specified limits of precision and accuracy during routine laboratory operating conditions.
13. **Monthly Average**: other than for fecal coliform bacteria, means the highest allowable arithmetic mean of the "daily discharges" over a calendar month, calculated as the sum of all "daily discharges" measured during a calendar month divided by the number of "daily discharges" measured during that month. The monthly average for fecal coliform bacteria is the geometric mean of the "daily discharges" over a calendar month.
14. **Office**: means the Office of Environmental Services within the Department of Environmental Quality.
15. **Owner or Operator**: means the owner or operator of any "facility or activity" subject to regulation under the LPDES program.
16. **Petroleum**: means crude oil, gasoline, diesel fuel, aviation fuel, fuel oils, gasoline additives stored and used in conjunction with gasoline storage, petroleum lubricants, petroleum solvents or petroleum derived asphalts.
17. **Petroleum UST Systems**: as defined in 40 CFR 280 is an underground storage tank system that contains petroleum or a mixture of petroleum with de minimis quantities of other regulated substances.
18. **Purge water from groundwater monitoring wells**: means water standing in the well casing and the screen that is removed prior to withdrawing the water sample.
19. **Standard Methods**: means Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater, American Public Health Association, Washington, DC.
20. **State Administrative Authority**: means the Secretary of the Department of Environmental Quality or his designee or the appropriate assistant secretary or his designee.

21. **Tank Washwater:** means wastewater produced by washing the inside surfaces of petroleum hydrocarbon storage tanks which have been in use.
22. **Treated Groundwater:** means water from the saturated (phreatic) zone beneath the ground surface which has been treated to meet the effluent limitations and other requirements contained in this general permit.
23. **Unauthorized Discharge:** means a continuous, intermittent or one-time discharge, whether intentional, anticipated, or unanticipated, from any source, permitted or unpermitted, which is in contravention of any provision of the Act or of any permit terms and conditions, or of any applicable regulation, compliance schedule, variance or exception of the administrative authority.
24. **Upset:** is defined as an exceptional incident in which there is unintentional and temporary noncompliance with permit conditions because of factors beyond the reasonable control of the permittee. An upset does not include noncompliance to the extent caused by operational error, improperly designed treatment facilities, inadequate treatment facilities, lack of preventive maintenance, or careless or improper operation.
25. **µg/L:** means micrograms per liter; it is essentially equivalent to parts per billion in dilute aqueous solutions.
26. **Visible Sheen:** means a silvery or metallic sheen, gloss, or increased reflectivity; visual color; or iridescence on the water surface.
27. **Waters of the State:** means all surface waters within the state of Louisiana, and, on the coastline of Louisiana and the Gulf of Mexico, all surface waters extending there from three miles into the Gulf of Mexico. For purposes of the Louisiana Pollutant Discharge Elimination System, this includes all surface waters which are subject to the ebb and flow of the tide, lakes, rivers, streams (including intermittent streams), mudflats, sandflats, wetlands, sloughs, prairie potholes, wet meadows, playa lakes, natural ponds, impoundments of waters within the state of Louisiana otherwise defined as "waters of the United States" in 40 CFR 122.2 and tributaries of all such waters. "Waters of the state" does not include waste treatment systems, including treatment ponds or lagoons designed to meet the requirements of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. 1251, *et seq.*

SECTION B. REPORTING TO REGIONAL OFFICE (Statewide Basis - Additional Sites)

Any permittee with coverage on a statewide basis must submit written notification, to this Office and the Regional Office which has jurisdiction at the point of proposed discharge at least 14 days prior to commencing the initial discharge from implementing a corrective action plan for cleanup of a petroleum UST system at a new location. In addition, 48 hour advance telephone notice must be made to the Regional Office prior to commencing the initial discharge from the site. The written notification must include the following information:

1. the location of the proposed discharge (along with a U.S.G.S. quadrangle map showing the discharge point and the effluent pathway into the receiving waters);
2. an updated list of locations to include new sites, numbered sequentially, that will be (and have been) implementing a corrective action plan to clean up a petroleum UST system and discharging under this permit. The list shall include the facility name and location as well as an identifying number (i.e., site 1 (001), site 2 (002), site 3 (003), etc.) These numbers will be used to identify each site covered under the statewide permit and shall be reported on the DMR in the "Discharge Number" block. Once a number has been assigned to a specific site it will remain with that site even after remedial activities have concluded; and
3. the approximate date of initial discharge.

Subsequent DMRs submitted to this Office for this location must have the statewide permit number and the site-specific identification number indicated. These DMRs will be tracked as all other DMRs submitted to this Office, by the permit number and outfall identification number. Any exceedence of the permit parameters at any location will be considered a separate permit violation and subject to possible enforcement action by this Agency.

Termination of Sites:

The permittee must submit written notification to this Office and the appropriate Regional Office when remedial activities are concluded and the discharge at a site is terminated. The written notification of termination shall be sent no later than 30 days after site termination of all discharges covered by this general permit. This notice of termination shall be in letter form and must contain the following information:

1. company name and address;
2. site name, address, and location;
3. statewide permit number and identifying number for this facility; and
4. date of termination of final discharge.

SECTION C. COMPLIANCE SCHEDULE

The permittee shall be in compliance with the effluent limitations and monitoring requirements specified herein on the date of authorization of coverage under this general permit. If a discharge is found to be in violation of specified limits, the permittee will be subject to enforcement action, including civil penalties, and may be required to obtain an individual permit.

SECTION D. OTHER DISCHARGES

This permit does not in any way authorize the permittee to discharge a pollutant not listed or quantified in the notice of intent or as otherwise authorized in the permit.

SECTION E. CONTINUATION OF EXPIRED GENERAL PERMIT

This permit expires five years after the effective date. Should this permit expire before it is reissued, this Office will administratively extend the permit to discharge, for permittees that were covered prior to the expiration, until such time that a new general permit is issued. Upon reissuance or replacement of this permit, the permittee must comply with the requirements for obtaining coverage under the new permit to maintain authorization to discharge.

SECTION F. TERMINATION OF AUTHORIZATION TO DISCHARGE

This Office reserves the right to revoke the authorization to discharge in accordance with this general permit as it applies to any person and/or require such person to apply for and obtain an individual permit if:

1. the covered source or activity is a significant contributor to pollution or creates other environmental problems;
2. the permittee is not in compliance with the terms and conditions of this general permit;
3. conditions or standards have changed so that the source or activity no longer qualifies for this general permit; or
4. the discharge limitations contained in this permit are not in accordance with the Water Quality Management Plan.

SECTION G. STATE WATER QUALITY STANDARDS

LAC 33:IX.1113 describes numerical and general criteria that apply to all water bodies of the State. Criteria are elements of the water quality which set limitations on the permissible amounts of a substance or other characteristics of state waters. The General Criteria, as described in the Louisiana Administrative Code, limit discharges to maintain aesthetics, color, turbidity, the biologic and aquatic community integrity, and many other elements in the receiving water body. Any noncompliance with the General or Numerical Criteria is not authorized under this permit.

SECTION H. PROPERTY RIGHTS

Authorization to discharge pursuant to the conditions of this permit does not relieve the permittee of any liability for damages to state waters or private property. For discharges to private land, this permit does not relieve the permittee from obtaining proper approval from the landowner for appropriate easements and rights of way.

SECTION I. PERMIT REOPENER CLAUSE

This permit may be modified, revoked and reissued, or terminated for cause in accordance with LAC 33:IX.2383, 2387, and 2769. The filing of a request for a permit modification, revocation and reissuance, or termination, or a notification of planned changes or anticipated noncompliance, does not stay any permit condition. This Office reserves the right to reopen and modify this permit to conform to those standards necessary to maintain the water quality in order to support uses of the receiving water bodies.

SECTION J. OIL AND HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE LIABILITY

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 to which the permittee is or may be subject under Section 311 of the CWA or Section 106 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA).

SECTION K. SEVERABILITY

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 circumstance, is held invalid, the application of such provision to other circumstances, and the remainder of this permit shall not be affected thereby.

SECTION L. REQUIRING AN INDIVIDUAL PERMIT OR AN ALTERNATIVE GENERAL PERMIT

1. The State Administrative Authority may require any person authorized by this permit to apply for and/or obtain either an individual LPDES permit or an alternative LPDES general permit. Any interested person may petition the State Administrative Authority to take action under this paragraph. Where the State Administrative Authority requires a discharger authorized to discharge under this permit to apply for an individual LPDES permit, the State Administrative Authority shall notify the discharger in writing that a permit application is required. This notification shall include a brief statement of the reasons for this decision, an application form, a statement setting a deadline for the discharger to file the application, and a statement that on the effective date of issuance or denial of the individual LPDES permit or the alternative general permit as it applies to the individual permittee, coverage under this general permit shall automatically terminate. Applications shall be submitted as indicated in Part IA of this permit. The State Administrative Authority may grant additional time to submit the application upon request of the applicant. If a discharger fails to submit in a timely manner an application as required by the State Administrative Authority under this paragraph, then the applicability of this permit to the permittee is automatically terminated at the end of the day specified by the State Administrative Authority for application submittal.

2. Any discharger authorized by this permit may request to be excluded from the coverage of this permit by applying for an individual permit. In such cases, the permittee shall submit an individual application in accordance with the requirements of LAC 33:IX.2345.B.3.c., with reasons supporting the request, to this Office. The request may be granted by issuance of an individual permit or an alternative general permit if the reasons cited by the permittee are adequate to support the request.

3. When an individual LPDES permit is issued to a discharger otherwise subject to this permit, or the discharger is authorized to discharge under an alternative LPDES general permit, the applicability of this permit to the individual LPDES permittee is automatically terminated on the effective date of the individual permit or the date of authorization of coverage under the alternative general permit, whichever the case may be. When an individual LPDES permit is denied to an owner or operator otherwise subject to this permit, or the owner or operator is denied for coverage under an alternative LPDES general permit, the applicability of this permit to the individual LPDES permittee is automatically terminated on the date of such denial, unless otherwise specified by the State Administrative Authority.

SECTION M. MINIMUM QUANTIFICATION LEVEL (MQL)

If any individual analytical test result is less than the minimum quantification level listed below, a value of zero (0) may be used for that individual result for the Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) calculations and reporting.

<u>METALS</u>	<u>MQL ($\mu\text{g/L}$)</u>
Lead (Total)	5
<u>VOLATILE COMPOUNDS</u>	<u>MQL ($\mu\text{g/L}$)</u>
Benzene	10
Ethylbenzene	10
Toluene	10
Xylene	10

SECTION N. 24-HOUR ORAL REPORTING: DAILY MAXIMUM LIMITATION VIOLATIONS

Under the provisions of Part III.D.6.b.(3)(c) of this permit, violations of daily maximum limitations for the following pollutants shall be reported orally to the Office of Emergency Response (225-763-3908) during work hours or by e-mail utilizing the Incident Report Form and procedures found at www.deq.state.la.us/surveillance within 24 hours from the time the permittee becomes aware of the violation followed by a written report within seven days.

- Pollutants: Benzene, Total BTEX, Lead