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Reply to Attention of: OWW-191

Terry Gosney
Watco Companies
315 West Third Street
Pittsburg, KS 66762

Re: Additional Monitoring Requirements for Boise Valley Railroad under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Multi-Sector General Permit, Permit Reference No. IDR053203

Dear Mr. Gosney:

The purpose of this letter is to notify you of watershed based monitoring requirements that must be implemented at your facility to maintain permit coverage under the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) 2015 Multi-Sector General Permit for Stormwater Discharges Associated with Industrial Activity (MSGP). Based on the information provided in your Notice of Intent (NOI), storm water from the Boise Valley Railroad facility at 100 PFE Drive in Nampa, Idaho (Facility) discharges into Indian Creek, which is part of the total phosphorus Total Daily Maximum Load (TMDL) that the State of Idaho Department of Environmental Quality has established for the Lower Boise River watershed.

Basis for EPA to Add Additional Requirements

Part 2.2.2.1 of the MSGP, Existing Discharge to an Impaired Water with an EPA Approved or Established TMDL, states, "If you discharge to an impaired water with an EPA-approved or established TMDL, EPA will inform you whether any additional measures are necessary for your discharge to be consistent with the assumptions and requirements of the applicable TMDL and its wasteload allocation, or if coverage under an individual permit is necessary per Part 1.2.3." See also Part 6.2.5 of the MSGP (allowing EPA to notify a facility of additional monitoring requirements).

Specific Requirements

Pursuant to Parts 2.2.2.1 and 6.2.4.1 of the MSGP, the Facility is required to conduct storm water monitoring for total phosphorus following the standard benchmark monitoring procedures outlined in the MSGP at Part 6.2.1.

Parameter	Benchmark Values	Source of Value
Total Phosphorus	0.1 mg/L May 1-Sept 30 0.35 mg/L Oct 1- April 30	Lower Boise River TMDL 2015 Total Phosphorus Addendum

If you have any questions, please contact Margaret McCauley of my staff at (206) 553-1772 or mccauley.margaret@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael J. Lidgard". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Michael" and last name "Lidgard" clearly distinguishable.

Michael J. Lidgard
Manager
NPDES Permits Unit

c: Lance Holloway, Idaho Department of Environmental Quality