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Exempt Action Final Regulation Agency Background Document

Agency name	State Water Control Board
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Regulation title	General VPDES Permit Regulation for Concrete Product Facilities
Action title	Reissue Existing Regulation
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Summary

Please provide a brief summary of all regulatory changes, including the rationale behind such changes. Alert the reader to all substantive matters or changes. If applicable, generally describe the existing regulation.

This rulemaking is to reissue the general permit that expires on September 30, 2008. The general permit establishes limitations and monitoring requirements for wastewater discharges from concrete products facilities. As with an individual VPDES permit, the effluent limits in the general permit are set to protect the quality of the waters receiving the discharges.

The general permit is amended to include new effective and expiration dates to correspond with the new dates of the reissued permit. The total petroleum hydrocarbon testing methods are updated in Part I A.1 and A.3. Also, the documents incorporated by reference are updated in the last section. These are routine updates.

In special condition 1 in Part I B a requirement for no solids deposition in surface water as a result of the industrial activity in the vicinity of the outfall has been added. Also, that the visual quality of the receiving stream (including observations of solids deposition from the industrial activity) in the vicinity of the outfall (including ditches and conveyances) should be included in the quarterly visual examination reports of the storm water management section (Part II D). These were added in response to staff concerns about solids depositions (concrete product) entering the receiving stream.

Special condition 10 in Part I B is amended such that where basins are operated in a series mode of operation, the one foot freeboard requirement for the upper basins may be waived provided the final basin will maintain the freeboard requirements. This was added to reflect existing practice and design of these basins and to ensure the lower basin will not overflow in high flow rain events.

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Special condition 13 in Part I B was modified to reflect liner requirements for settling basins (process water or process water commingled with storm water) built after February 1998 set forth in the Code of Virginia § 62.1-44.15:5.2.

Special condition 15 in Part I B was modified to ensure that the permittee reports discharge monitoring at two significant digits. The changes in this section were done to conform to Guidance Memo 06-2016 (Significant Figures for Discharge Monitoring Reports) for consistency within the VPDES program.

Statement of final agency action

Please provide a statement of the final action taken by the agency including (1) the date the action was taken, (2) the name of the agency taking the action, and (3) the title of the regulation.

The regulation was adopted by the State Water Control Board at its meeting on April 10, 2008. The title of the regulation is General Permit for Concrete Products Facilities.

Family impact

Assess the impact of this regulatory action on the institution of the family and family stability, including to what extent the regulatory action will: 1) strengthen or erode the authority and rights of parents in the education, nurturing, and supervision of their children; 2) encourage or discourage economic self-sufficiency, self-pride, and the assumption of responsibility for oneself, one's spouse, and one's children and/or elderly parents; 3) strengthen or erode the marital commitment; and 4) increase or decrease disposable family income.

It is not anticipated that this regulation will have a direct impact on families.