November 12, 2025

KERN UTILITY CO.
36 Covington Square Road
Linn Creek, MO 65052

Dear Permittee:

Pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, under the authority granted to the State of Missouri and in compliance with the Missouri Clean Water Law, we have issued and are enclosing your Missouri State Operating Permit to discharge from Taylor Lane WWTF.

Please read your permit and enclosed Standard Conditions. They contain important information on monitoring requirements, effluent limitations, sampling frequencies and reporting requirements.

Monitoring reports required by the special conditions must be submitted on a periodic basis via the Missouri Department of Natural Resources' electronic Discharge Monitoring Report (eDMR) system unless waived, or can be submitted on the enclosed forms if you are subject to an eDMR registration schedule as established in the permit. Upon registration, please access the eDMR system via the following link: Missouri Gateway for Environmental Management (MoGEM) | Missouri Department of Natural Resources. If you experience difficulties with using the eDMR system, you may contact edmr@dnr.mo.gov or call 855-789-3889 or 573-526-2082 for assistance.

This permit may include requirements with which you may not be familiar. If you would like the department to meet with you to discuss how to satisfy the permit requirements, an appointment can be set up by contacting the Southeast Regional Office by phone at 573-840-9750, by email at SERO@dnr.mo.gov, or by mail at 2155 North Westwood Boulevard, Poplar Bluff, MO 63901. These visits are called Compliance Assistance Visits and focus on explaining the requirements to the permit holder.

This permit is both your Federal National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit and your new Missouri State Operating Permit and replaces all previous Missouri State Operating Permits issued for this facility under this permit number. In all future correspondence regarding this facility, please refer to your Missouri State Operating Permit number and facility name as shown on page one of the permit.

If you were adversely affected by this decision, you may be entitled to an appeal before the Administrative Hearing Commission (AHC) pursuant to Section 621.250, RSMo. To appeal, you must file a petition with the AHC within 30 days after the date this decision was mailed or the date it was delivered, whichever date was earlier. If any such petition is sent by registered mail or certified mail, it will be deemed filed on the date it is mailed; if it is sent by any method other than registered mail or certified mail, it will be deemed filed on the date it is received by the AHC. Contact information for the AHC is: Administrative Hearing Commission, United States Post Office Building, Third Floor, 131 West High Street, P.O. Box 1557, Jefferson City, MO 65102, phone: 573-751-2422, fax: 573-751-5018, and website: www.oa.mo.gov/ahc.

Please be aware that this facility may also be subject to any applicable county or other local ordinances or restrictions.

If you have any questions concerning this permit, please do not hesitate to contact the department's Water Protection Program at P.O. Box 176, Jefferson City, MO 65102, or by phone at 573-751-1300. Thank you.

Sincerely,

WATER PROTECTION PROGRAM

Heather S. Peters
Director

HSP/vs

Enclosure

STATE OF MISSOURI

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

MISSOURI CLEAN WATER COMMISSION

MISSOURI STATE OPERATING PERMIT

In compliance with the Missouri Clean Water Law (Chapter 644 RSMo, hereinafter, the Law), and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (Public Law 92-500, 92nd Congress) as amended,

Permit No.:	MO-0133434
Owner:	KERN UTILITY CO
Address:	36 Covington Square Rd., Linn Creek, MO 65052
Continuing Authority:	Same as above
Address:	Same as above
Facility Name:	Taylor Lane WWTF
Facility Address:	0.2 miles east of Hwy AW intersection, Plato, MO 65552
Legal Description:	Sec. 16, T33N, R11W, Texas County
UTM Coordinates:	X=575531, Y=4158140
Receiving Stream:	Presumed Use Streams (C) (losing)
First Classified Stream and ID:	Presumed Use Streams (C) (5062) (losing)
USGS Basin & Sub-watershed No.:	(10290201-0505)

authorizes activities pursuant to the terms and conditions of this permit in accordance with the Missouri Clean Water Law and/or the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System; it does not apply to other regulated activities.

FACILITY DESCRIPTION

Outfall #001 – Non-POTW
Septic tank / recirculating sand filter / ultraviolet disinfection / one-time approval to land apply biosolids / septage hauled by contract hauler to permitted treatment facility
Design population equivalent is 155.
Design flow is 15,540 gallons per day.
Actual flow is 2,300 gallons per day.
Design sludge production is 0.21 dry tons/year.

December 1, 2025
Effective Date

November 30, 2030
Expiration Date

Heather S. Peters, Director, Water Protection Program

OUTFALL #001	TABLE A-1. FINAL EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS

The permittee is authorized to discharge from outfall number(s) as specified in the application for this permit. The final effluent limitations in **Table A-1** shall become effective on **December 1, 2025** and remain in effect until expiration of the permit. Such discharges shall be controlled, limited, and monitored by the permittee as specified below:

EFFLUENT PARAMETER(S)	UNITS	FINAL EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS			MONITORING REQUIREMENTS	
		DAILY MAXIMUM	WEEKLY AVERAGE	MONTHLY AVERAGE	MEASUREMENT FREQUENCY	SAMPLE TYPE
eDMR Limit Set: Q						
Flow	MGD	*		*	once/quarter***	24 hr. estimate
Biochemical Oxygen Demand$_5$	mg/L		15	10	once/quarter***	grab
Total Suspended Solids	mg/L		20	15	once/quarter***	grab
E. coli **(Note 1)**	#/100mL	126		*	once/quarter***	grab
Ammonia as N (Jan 1 – Mar 31)	mg/L	12.1		3.1	once/quarter***	grab
Ammonia as N (Apr 1 – Jun 30)	mg/L	12.1		2.0	once/quarter***	grab
Ammonia as N (Jul 1 – Sep 30)	mg/L	12.1		1.5	once/quarter***	grab
Ammonia as N (Oct 1 – Dec 31)	mg/L	12.1		2.9	once/quarter***	grab
EFFLUENT PARAMETER(S)	**UNITS**	**MINIMUM**		**MAXIMUM**	**MEASUREMENT FREQUENCY**	**SAMPLE TYPE**
pH – Units**	SU	6.5		9.0	once/quarter***	grab

MONITORING REPORTS SHALL BE SUBMITTED **QUARTERLY**; THE FIRST REPORT IS DUE APRIL 28, 2026.

* Monitoring requirement only.
** pH is measured in pH units and is not to be averaged.
*** See table below for quarterly sampling.

Quarterly Minimum Sampling Requirements			
Quarter	**Months**	**Quarterly Effluent Parameters**	**Report is Due**
First	January, February, March	Sample at least once during any month of the quarter	April 28th
Second	April, May, June	Sample at least once during any month of the quarter	July 28th
Third	July, August, September	Sample at least once during any month of the quarter	October 28th
Fourth	October, November, December	Sample at least once during any month of the quarter	January 28th

Note 1 – Effluent limits of 126 #/100 mL daily maximum and monitoring only for monthly average for *E. coli* are applicable year round due to losing stream designation. No more than 10% of samples over the course of a calendar year shall exceed the 126 #/100 mL daily maximum

B. STANDARD CONDITIONS

In addition to specified conditions stated herein, this permit is subject to the attached Parts I & III standard conditions dated August 1, 2014, and August 1, 2019, and hereby incorporated as though fully set forth herein. Annual reports required per Standard Conditions Part III Section K shall be submitted online to the department via the department's eDMR system as an attachment. This supersedes Standard Conditions Part III Section K #4. EPA reports shall continue to be submitted online via the Central Data Exchange system.

C. SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. Electronic Discharge Monitoring Report (eDMR) Submission System. Per 40 CFR Part 127 National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Electronic Reporting Rule, reporting of effluent monitoring data and any report required by the permit (unless specifically directed otherwise by the permit) shall be submitted by the permittee via an electronic system to ensure timely, complete, accurate, and nationally consistent set of data about the NPDES program. All reports uploaded into the system shall be reasonably named so they are easily identifiable, such as "WET Test Chronic Outfall 002 Jan 2023," or "Outfall 004 Daily Data Mar 2025."
   (a) eDMR Registration Requirements. The permittee must register with the department's eDMR system through the Missouri Gateway for Environmental Management (MoGEM) before the first report is due. Registration and other information regarding MoGEM can be found at https://dnr.mo.gov/data-e-services/missouri-gateway-environmental-management-mogem. Information about the eDMR system can be found at https://dnr.mo.gov/water/business-industry-other-entities/reporting/electronic-discharge-monitoring-reporting-system-edmr. The first user shall register as an Organization Official and the association to the facility must be approved by the department. Regarding Standard Conditions Part I, Section B, #7, the eDMR system is currently the only department approved reporting method for this permit unless a waiver is granted by the department. See paragraph (c) below.
   (b) Electronic Submissions. To access the eDMR system, use the following link in your web browser: https://apps5.mo.gov/mogems/welcome.action. If you experience difficulties with using the eDMR system you may contact edmr@dnr.mo.gov or call 855-789-3889 or 573-526-2082 for assistance.
   (c) Waivers from Electronic Reporting. The permittee must electronically submit compliance monitoring data and reports unless a waiver is granted by the department in compliance with 40 CFR Part 127. The permittee may obtain an electronic reporting waiver by first submitting an eDMR Waiver Request Form: https://dnr.mo.gov/document-search/electronic-discharge-monitoring-report-waiver-request-form-mo-780-2692. The department will either approve or deny this electronic reporting waiver request within 120 calendar days.

2. The full implementation of this operating permit, which includes implementation of any applicable schedules of compliance, shall constitute compliance with all applicable federal and state statutes and regulations in accordance with §644.051.15 RSMo, and the Clean Water Act (CWA) Section 402(k); however, this permit may be reopened and modified, or alternatively revoked and reissued:
   (a) To comply with any applicable effluent standard or limitation issued or approved under Sections 301(b)(2)(C) and (D), 304(b)(2), and 307(a)(2) of the CWA, if the effluent standard or limitation so issued or approved:
      (1) contains different conditions or is otherwise more stringent than any effluent limitation in the permit; or
      (2) controls any pollutant not limited in the permit.

3. All outfalls must be clearly marked in the field.

4. Report as no-discharge when a discharge does not occur during the report period.

5. Reporting of Non-Detects:
   (a) An analysis conducted by the permittee or their contracted laboratory shall be conducted in such a way that the precision and accuracy of the analyzed result can be enumerated.
   (b) See sufficiently sensitive test method requirements in Standard Conditions Part I, Section A, No. 4 regarding proper testing and method minimum levels used for sample analysis.
   (c) The permittee shall not report a sample result as "Non-Detect" without also reporting the method minimum level of the test. Reporting as "Non Detect" without also including the method minimum level, will be considered failure to report, which is a violation of this permit.
   (d) The permittee shall provide the "Non-Detect" sample result using the less than symbol and the method minimum level (e.g., <50 µg/L, if the method minimum level for the parameter is 50 µg/L).
   (e) Where the permit contains a department determined Minimum Quantification Level (ML) and the permittee is granted authority in the permit to report zero in lieu of the < ML for a specified parameter (conventional, priority pollutants, metals, etc.), then zero (0) is to be reported for that parameter.
   (f) For the daily maximum, the facility shall report the highest value. If the highest value was a non-detect, use the less than "<" symbol and the laboratory's highest method minimum level.
   (g) For reporting an average based on all non-detected values, remove the "<" sign from the values, average the values, and then add the "<" symbol back to the resulting average.
   (h) For reporting an average based on a mix of detected and non-detected values (not including *E. coli*), assign a value of "0" for all non-detects for that reporting period and report the average of all the results.
   (i) When *E. coli* is not detected above the method minimum level, the permittee must report the data qualifier signifying less than detection limit for that parameter (e.g., <1 #/100mL, if the method minimum level is 1 #/100mL). For reporting a geometric mean based on a mix of detected and non-detected values, use one-half of the detection limit (instead of zero) for non-detects when calculating geometric means.

C. SPECIAL CONDITIONS (Continued)

(j) See the Fact Sheet Appendix - Non-Detect Example Calculations for further guidance.

6. Bypasses are not authorized at this facility unless they meet the criteria in 40 CFR 122.41(m). If a bypass occurs, the permittee shall report in accordance with 40 CFR 122.41(m)(3), and with Standard Condition Part I, Section B, subsection 2. Bypasses are to be reported within 24 hours of discovery of the bypass to the Southeast Regional Office during normal business hours or the Environmental Emergency Response spill-line at 573-634-2436 outside of normal business hours, and by using the online Sanitary Sewer Overflow / Bypass Reporting Application through the Missouri Gateway for Environmental Management (MoGEM) located at: https://dnr.mo.gov/data-e-services/missouri-gateway-environmental-management-mogem. All bypasses must be reported electronically via MoGEM. Blending, which is the practice of combining a partially treated wastewater process stream with a fully-treated wastewater process stream prior to discharge, is not considered a form of bypass. If the permittee wishes to utilize blending, the permittee shall file an application to modify this permit to facilitate the inclusion of appropriate monitoring conditions.

7. The facility must be sufficiently secured to restrict entry by children, livestock, and unauthorized persons as well as to protect the facility from vandalism.

8. An Operation and Maintenance (O & M) manual shall be maintained by the permittee and made available to the operator. The O & M manual shall include key operating procedures and a brief summary of the operation of the facility.

9. An all-weather access road to the treatment facility shall be maintained.

10. The outfall sewer shall be protected and maintained against the effects of floodwater, ice, or other hazards as to reasonably ensure its structural stability, freedom from stoppage, and that a sample of the effluent can be obtained at a point after the final treatment process and before the discharge mixes with the receiving waters.

11. The media in the filter beds shall be properly maintained to prevent surface pooling, vegetative growth, and accumulation of leaf litter.

12. Renewal Application Requirements.
    (a) This facility shall submit an appropriate and complete application to the department no less than 180 days prior to the expiration date listed on Page 1 of the permit.
    (b) Application materials shall include a completed Form B.

D. NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

If you were adversely affected by this decision, you may be entitled to pursue an appeal before the administrative hearing commission (AHC) pursuant to §621.250 and §644.051.12 RSMo. To appeal, you must file a petition with the AHC within thirty days after the date this decision was mailed or the date it was delivered, whichever date was earlier. If any such petition is sent by registered mail or certified mail, it will be deemed filed on the date it is mailed; if it is sent by any method other than registered mail or certified mail, it will be deemed filed on the date it is received by the AHC. Any appeal should be directed to:

Administrative Hearing Commission
U.S. Post Office Building, Third Floor
131 West High Street, P.O. Box 1557
Jefferson City, MO 65102-1557
Phone: 573-751-2422
Fax: 573-751-5018
Website: https://ahc.mo.gov

MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
FACT SHEET
FOR THE PURPOSE OF RENEWAL
OF
MO-0133434
TAYLOR LANE WWTF

The Federal Water Pollution Control Act ("Clean Water Act" Section 402 Public Law 92-500 as amended) established the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit program. This program regulates the discharge of pollutants from point sources into the waters of the United States, and the release of stormwater from certain point sources. All such discharges are unlawful without a permit (Section 301 of the "Clean Water Act"). After a permit is obtained, a discharge not in compliance with all permit terms and conditions is unlawful. Missouri State Operating Permits (MSOPs) are issued by the Director of the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (Department) under an approved program, operating in accordance with federal and state laws (Federal "Clean Water Act" and "Missouri Clean Water Law" §644, RSMo, as amended). MSOPs are issued for a period of five (5) years unless otherwise specified.

As per [40 CFR Part 124.8(a)] and [10 CSR 20-6.020(1)(A)2.], a Factsheet shall be prepared to give pertinent information regarding the applicable regulations, rationale for the development of effluent limitations and conditions, and the public participation process for the Missouri State Operating Permit (operating permit) listed below.

A Factsheet is not an enforceable part of an operating permit.

Part I – Facility Information

Application Date: 12/26/24 07/28/25 (revised – submitted biosolids management plan, confirmed new owner and continuing authority)
Expiration Date: 06/30/25

OUTFALL(S) TABLE:

OUTFALL	DESIGN FLOW (CFS)	TREATMENT LEVEL	EFFLUENT TYPE
#001	0.024	Secondary	Domestic

Comments:
Outfall #001

- Revision of:
  - *E. coli* – the previous operating permit contained WBC-B *E. coli* limits. However, this facility discharges to a losing stream. Therefore, this permit implements losing stream limits for *E. coli.* Effluent limits are applicable year-round
  - Ammonia as N – revised monthly average for Quarters 2, 3, and 4

See Part II of the Fact Sheet for further information regarding the revision of effluent parameters.

Special Conditions

- Addition of:
  - Permit Renewal condition,

- Removal of:
  - Permit Fee condition now located in fact sheet

- Revision of:
  - Reporting of Non-detects condition,
  - Electronic Discharge Monitoring Report (eDMR) Submission System condition,
  - Bypass condition

Supplemental/Additional/Extra

- Facility name revised to Taylor Lane WWTF,
- Permittee was approved for a one-time land application of biosolids. This approval expires December 31, 2025, or until the permit is renewed,

- The Owner and Continuing Authority has transferred from Ronnie Atterberry to KERN UTILITY CO

Part II – Effluent Limitations and Monitoring Requirements

OUTFALL #001 – MAIN FACILITY OUTFALL

Effluent limitations derived and established in the permit are based on current operations of the facility, outfall location, and receiving stream. Future permit action due to facility modification may contain new operating permit terms and conditions that supersede the terms and conditions, including effluent limitations, of this operating permit.

OUTFALL #001 - RECEIVING STREAM INFORMATION

RECEIVING STREAM(S) TABLE:

WATER-BODY NAME	CLASS	WBID	DESIGNATED USES**	12-DIGIT HUC	DISTANCE TO CLASSIFIED SEGMENT (MI)
Presumed Use Streams* (losing)	C	5062	AHP (WWH), WBC-B, SCR, HHP, IRR, LWP	10290201-0505	2.79
Tributary to Roubidoux Creek	C	1520	AHP (WWH), WBC-B, SCR, HHP, IRR, LWP		

* The previous permit identified MUDD WBID #3960 and 100K Extent-Remaining Stream. This change is due to a new numbering system and new naming convention of the streams, and the actual receiving stream has not changed.

**As per 10 CSR 20-7.031 Missouri Water Quality Standards, the department defines the Clean Water Commission's water quality objectives in terms of "water uses to be maintained and the criteria to protect those uses." The receiving stream and 1st classified receiving stream's beneficial water uses to be maintained are in the receiving stream table in accordance with [10 CSR 20-7.031(1)(F)].

Uses found in the receiving streams table, above:

10 CSR 20-7.031(1)(F)1.:

AHP = Aquatic Habitat Protection - To ensure the protection and propagation of fish, shellfish, and wildlife. AHP is further subcategorized as:

- **WWH** = Warm Water Habitat;
- **CLH** = Cool Water Habitat;
- **CDH**= Cold Water Habitat;

This permit uses Aquatic Life Protection effluent limitations in 10 CSR 20-7.031 Table A for all aquatic habitat designations unless otherwise specified.

10 CSR 20-7.031(1)(F)2.: Recreation in and on the water

WBC = Whole Body Contact recreation where the entire body is capable of being submerged. WBC is further subcategorized as:

- **WBC-A** = Whole body contact recreation that supports swimming uses and has public access;
- **WBC-B** = Whole body contact recreation that supports swimming;

SCR = Secondary Contact Recreation (like fishing, wading, and boating).

10 CSR 20-7.031(1)(F)3. to 7.:

HHP = Human Health Protection as it relates to the consumption of fish;
IRR = Irrigation - Application of water to cropland or directly to cultivated plants that may be used for human or livestock consumption;
LWP = Livestock and wildlife protection - Maintenance of conditions in waters to support health in livestock and wildlife;
DWS = Drinking water supply;
IND = Industrial water supply

10 CSR 20-7.031(6):

GRW = Groundwater

RECEIVING STREAM(S) LOW-FLOW VALUES:

RECEIVING STREAM	LOW-FLOW VALUES (CFS)		
	1Q10	7Q10	30Q10
Presumed Use Streams	0	0	0

MIXING CONSIDERATIONS TABLE:

MIXING ZONE (CFS) [10 CSR 20-7.031(5)(A)4.B.(I)(a)]			ZONE OF INITIAL DILUTION (CFS) [10 CSR 20-7.031(5)(A)4.B(I)(b)]		
1Q10	7Q10	30Q10	1Q10	7Q10	30Q10
0	0	0	0	0	N/A

Receiving Water Body's Water Quality
Section 303(d) of the federal Clean Water Act requires that each state identify waters that are not meeting water quality standards and for which adequate water pollution controls have not been required. Water quality standards protect such beneficial uses of water as whole body contact (such as swimming), maintaining fish and other aquatic life, and providing drinking water for people, livestock and wildlife. The 303(d) list helps state and federal agencies keep track of waters that are impaired but not addressed by normal water pollution control programs.

A TMDL is a calculation of the maximum amount of a given pollutant that a body of water can absorb before its water quality is affected. If a water body is determined to be impaired as listed on the 303(d) list, then a watershed management plan will be developed that shall include the TMDL calculation.

✓ This facility does not discharge to a 303(d) listed stream/lake or to a stream/lake with an EPA approved TMDL.

OUTFALL #001 – DERIVATION AND DISCUSSION OF LIMITS:

- **Flow**. In accordance with [40 CFR Part 122.44(i)(1)(ii)] the volume of effluent discharged from each outfall is needed to assure compliance with permitted effluent limitations. If the permittee is unable to obtain effluent flow, then it is the responsibility of the permittee to inform the department, which may require the submittal of an operating permit modification.

- **Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD_5)**. Operating permit retains 15 mg/L as a Weekly Average and 10 mg/L as a Monthly Average from the previous permit. Effluent limits were established in accordance with 10 CSR 20-7.015(4) for discharges to Losing Streams.

- **Total Suspended Solids (TSS)**. Operating permit retains 20 mg/L as a Weekly Average and 15 mg/L as a Monthly Average from the previous permit. Effluent limits were established in accordance with 10 CSR 20-7.015(4) for discharges to Losing Streams.

- ***Escherichia coli (E. coli)***. Discharges to losing streams shall not exceed 126 per 100 mL as a Daily Maximum at any time, as per 10 CSR 20-7.031(5)(C). Monitoring only for a monthly average. No more than 10% of samples over the course of the calendar year shall exceed 126 #/100 mL daily maximum as per 10 CSR 20-7.015(9)(B)1.G.

- **Total Ammonia Nitrogen**. This operating permit retains final effluent limits from the previous permit except where the applicable water quality-based effluent limits (WQBELs) are more stringent. The existing limits or more stringent WQBELs are determined by the department to be protective of water quality. The below table highlights the applied effluent limits based on the most protective concentrations.

QUARTER	Ecoregion data (Ozark Highlands)		Water Quality Based Effluent Limits (present calculation method)		Previous Effluent Limits	
	Temp (˚C)	pH (SU)	Daily Maximum	Monthly Average	Daily Maximum	Monthly Average
1st	11.0	7.8	12.1	3.1	12.1	3.1
2nd	21.2	7.8	12.1	2.0	12.1	2.1
3rd	26.0	7.8	12.1	1.5	12.1	1.6
4th	15.5	7.8	12.1	2.9	12.1	3.1

Green cells are final effluent limits (Tables A-1)

  - **Total Ammonia Nitrogen (previous limits) -** Early Life Stages Present Total Ammonia Nitrogen criteria apply [10 CSR 20-7.031(5)(B)7.C. & Table B3]. Background total ammonia nitrogen = 0.01 mg/L.

1st Quarter
Chronic WLA:
$C_e = ((0.024 + 0.0)3.1 – (0.0 * 0.01))/0.024 = 3.1$mg/L

Acute WLA:

2nd Quarter
Chronic WLA:
$C_e = ((0.024 + 0.0)2.1 – (0.0 * 0.01))/0.024 = 2.1$ mg/L

Acute WLA:

C_e = ((0.024 + 0.0)12.1 – (0.0 * 0.01))/0.024 = 12.1 mg/L

Chronic WLA = AML = **3.1** mg/L
Acute WLA = MDL = **12.1** mg/L

3rd Quarter
Chronic WLA:
C_e = ((0.024 + 0.0)1.6 – (0.0 * 0.01))/0.024 = 1.6 mg/L

Acute WLA:
C_e = ((0.024 + 0.0)12.1 – (0.0 * 0.01))/0.024 = 12.1 mg/L

Chronic WLA = AML = **1.6** mg/L
Acute WLA = MDL = **12.1** mg/L

4th Quarter
Chronic WLA:
C_e = ((0.024 + 0.0)3.1 – (0.0 * 0.01))/0.024 = 3.1 mg/L

Acute WLA:
C_e = ((0.024 + 0.0)12.1 – (0.0 * 0.01))/0.024 = 12.1 mg/L

Chronic WLA = AML = **3.1** mg/L
Acute WLA = MDL = **12.1** mg/L

- **Total Ammonia Nitrogen (WQBEL)** - Early Life Stages Present Total Ammonia Nitrogen criteria apply [10 CSR 20-7.031(5)(B)7.C. & Table B3]. Background total ammonia nitrogen = 0.01 mg/L. No mixing considerations allowed; therefore, WLA = appropriate criterion.

1st Quarter
Chronic WLA:
C_e = ((0.024 + 0.0)3.1 – (0.0 * 0.01))/0.024 = 3.1 mg/L

Acute WLA:
C_e = ((0.024 + 0.0)12.1 – (0.0 * 0.01))/0.024 = 12.1 mg/L

Chronic WLA = AML = **3.1** mg/L
Acute WLA = MDL = **12.1** mg/L

2nd Quarter
Chronic WLA:
C_e = ((0.024 + 0.0)2 – (0.0 * 0.01))/0.024 = 1.8 mg/L

Acute WLA:
C_e = ((0.024 + 0.0)12.1 – (0.0 * 0.01))/0.024 = 12.1 mg/L

Chronic WLA = AML = **2** mg/L
Acute WLA = MDL = **12.1** mg/L

3rd Quarter
Chronic WLA:
C_e = ((0.024 + 0.0)1.5 – (0.0 * 0.01))/0.024 = 1.5 mg/L

Acute WLA:
C_e = ((0.024 + 0.0)12.1 – (0.0 * 0.01))/0.024 = 12.1 mg/L

Chronic WLA = AML = **1.5** mg/L
Acute WLA = MDL = **12.1** mg/L

4th Quarter
Chronic WLA:
C_e = ((0.024 + 0.0)2.9 – (0.0 * 0.01))/0.024 = 2.8 mg/L

Acute WLA:
C_e = ((0.024 + 0.0)12.1 – (0.0 * 0.01))/0.024 = 12.1 mg/L

Chronic WLA = AML = **2.9** mg/L
Acute WLA = MDL = **12.1** mg/L

- **pH**. 6.5-9.0 SU. pH limitations of 6.0-9.0 SU [10 CSR 20-7.015] are not protective of the in-stream Water Quality Standard, which states that water contaminants shall not cause pH to be outside the range of 6.5-9.0 SU.

Sampling Frequency Justification: The department has determined that previously established sampling and reporting frequency is sufficient to characterize the facility's effluent and be protective of water quality. Sampling for *E. coli* is set at quarterly per 10 CSR 20-7.015(9)(D)7.C.

Sampling Type Justification: As per 10 CSR 20-7.015, Ammonia, BOD_5 and TSS collected for media filters may be grab samples. Grab samples must be collected for pH and *E. coli* in accordance with recommended analytical methods. For further information on sampling and testing methods please review 10 CSR 20-7.015(9)(D) 2.

OUTFALL #001 – GENERAL CRITERIA CONSIDERATIONS:
In accordance with 40 CFR 122.44(d)(1), effluent limitations shall be placed into the permit for those pollutants which have been determined to cause, have the reasonable potential to cause, or contribute to an excursion above any State water quality standard, including State narrative criteria for water quality. The rule further states that pollutants which have been determined to cause, have the reasonable potential to cause, or contribute to an excursion above a narrative criterion within an applicable State water quality standard, the permit shall contain a numeric effluent limitation to protect that narrative criterion. In order to comply with this regulation, the permit writer will complete reasonable potential determinations on whether the discharge will violate any of the general criteria listed in 10 CSR 20-7.031(4). These specific requirements are listed below followed by derivation and discussion (the lettering matches that of the rule itself, under 10 CSR 20-7.031(4)). It should also be noted that §644.076.1 RSMo as well as Section D – Administrative Requirements of Standard Conditions Part I of this permit states that it shall be unlawful for any person to cause or permit any discharge of water contaminants from any water contaminant or point source located in Missouri that is in violation of §644.006 to §644.141 RSMo of the Missouri Clean Water Law or any standard, rule or regulation promulgated by the commission.

(A) Waters shall be free from substances in sufficient amounts to cause the formation of putrescent, unsightly, or harmful bottom deposits or prevent full maintenance of beneficial uses.
(B) Waters shall be free from oil, scum, and floating debris in sufficient amounts to be unsightly or prevent full maintenance of beneficial uses.
(C) Waters shall be free from substances in sufficient amounts to cause unsightly color or turbidity, offensive odor or prevent full maintenance of beneficial uses.
(D) Waters shall be free from substances or conditions in sufficient amounts to result in toxicity to human, animal or aquatic life.
(E) Waters shall provide for the attainment and maintenance of water quality standards downstream including waters of another state.
(F) There shall be no significant human health hazard from incidental contact with the water.
(G) There shall be no acute toxicity to livestock or wildlife watering.
(H) Waters shall be free from physical, chemical or hydrologic changes that would impair the natural biological community.
(I) Waters shall be free from used tires, car bodies, appliances, demolition debris, used vehicles or equipment and solid waste as defined in Missouri's Solid Waste Law, §260.200 RSMo, except as the use of such materials is specifically permitted pursuant to §260.200 - 260.247 RSMo.

Part III – Rationale and Derivation of Effluent Limitations & Permit Conditions

ANTI-BACKSLIDING:
A provision in the Federal Regulations [CWA §303(d)(4); CWA §402(o); 40 CFR Part 122.44(l)] that requires a reissued permit to be as stringent as the previous permit with some exceptions.

- ✓ Limitations in this operating permit for the reissuance of this permit conform to the anti-backsliding provisions of Section 402(o) of the Clean Water Act, and 40 CFR Part 122.44.
    - The department determines that technical mistakes or mistaken interpretations of law were made in issuing the permit under Section 402(a)(1)(b).
        - The previous permit indicated "There Shall Be No Discharge of Floating Solids or Visible Foam in Other Than Trace Amounts" under each table. The statement was not evaluated against actual site conditions therefore, this general criteria was re-assessed. It was determined that this facility does not discharge solids or foam in amounts which would indicate reasonable potential, therefore the statement was removed. Each general criteria was assessed for this facility.

ANTIDEGRADATION:
In accordance with Missouri's Water Quality Standard [10 CSR 20-7.031(3)], for domestic wastewater discharge with new, altered, or expanding discharges, the department is to document by means of Antidegradation Review that the use of a water body's available assimilative capacity is justified. In accordance with Missouri's water quality regulations for antidegradation [10 CSR 20-7.031(3)], degradation may be justified by documenting the socio-economic importance of a discharge after determining the necessity of the discharge. Facilities must submit the antidegradation review request to the department prior to establishing, altering, or expanding discharges. See https://dnr.mo.gov/document-search/antidegradation-implementation-procedure.

- ✓ No degradation was proposed in this permit action and no further review necessary. Facility did not apply for authorization to increase pollutant loading or to add additional pollutants to their discharge.

AREA-WIDE WASTE TREATMENT MANAGEMENT & CONTINUING AUTHORITY:
As per [10 CSR 20-6.010(2)(C)], an applicant may utilize a lower preference continuing authority when a higher level authority is available by submitting information as part of the application to the department for review and approval, provided it does not conflict with any area-wide management plan approved under Section 208 of the Federal Clean Water Act or any other regional sewage service and treatment plan approved for higher preference authority by the department.

BIOSOLIDS & SEWAGE SLUDGE:
Biosolids are solid materials resulting from domestic wastewater treatment that meet federal and state criteria for beneficial uses (i.e. fertilizer). Sewage sludge is solids, semi-solids, or liquid residue generated during the treatment of domestic sewage in a treatment works; including but not limited to, domestic septage; scum or solids removed in primary, secondary, or advanced wastewater treatment process; and a material derived from sewage sludge. Sewage sludge does not include ash generated during the firing of sewage sludge in a sewage sludge incinerator or grit and screening generated during preliminary treatment of domestic sewage in a treatment works.

- ✓ Permittee has a one-time approval to land apply biosolids. Sludge/biosolids are otherwise removed by contract hauler. If removal and disposal (landfill, land apply, haul to another permitted treatment facility, etc.) of sludge/biosolids is needed and that method is not listed in the current permit, the permittee must modify the operating permit to add any biosolids/sludge disposal method to the facility description of the operating permit. For time sensitive situations, the permittee may contact the department to see about approval for a one-time removal and disposal of sludge/biosolids that are not identified in the facility description of the operating permit.

COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT:
Enforcement is the action taken by the Water Protection Program (WPP) to bring an entity into compliance with the Missouri Clean Water Law, its implementing regulations, and/or any terms and conditions of an operating permit. The primary purpose of the enforcement activity in the WPP is to resolve violations and return the entity to compliance.

Facility Performance History:

- ✓ The facility is not currently under Water Protection Program enforcement action. This facility was last inspected on January 30, 2024.

CONTINUING AUTHORITY:
Each application for an operating permit shall identify the person, as that term is defined in §644.016(19) RSMo, that is the owner of, operator of, or area-wide management authority for a water contaminant source, point source, wastewater treatment facility, or sewer collection system. This person shall be designated as the continuing authority and shall sign the application. By doing so, the person designated as the continuing authority acknowledges responsibility for compliance with all permit conditions.

- ✓ The continuing authority listed on the application is a person. The entity is registered with the Missouri Secretary of State's office and is assigned Charter Number 001651029 per the Secretary of State's webpage. The name with that charter number was verified by the permit writer to match the name on the application form. The entity has a status of "Good Standing" on the Secretary of State's webpage at the time of the drafting of this permit.

FEES:
It is a violation of the Missouri Clean Water Law to fail to pay fees associated with this permit (644.055 RSMo).

NUMERIC LAKE NUTRIENT CRITERIA:

- ✓ This facility does not discharge into a lake watershed where numeric lake nutrient criteria are applicable.

OPERATOR CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

- ✓ As per [10 CSR 20-9.020(2)(A)], this facility is not required to have a certified operator.

OPERATIONAL CONTROL TESTING:

- ✓ As per [10 CSR 20-9.010(4)], the facility is not required to conduct operational monitoring.

REASONABLE POTENTIAL (RP):
Federal regulation [40 CFR Part 122.44(d)(1)(i)] and State Regulation [10 CSR 20-7.015(9)(A)2] requires effluent limitations for all pollutants that are or may be discharged at a level that will cause or have the reasonable potential to cause or contribute to an in-stream excursion above narrative or numeric water quality standard. In accordance with [40 CFR Part 122.44(d)(1)(iii)] if the permit writer determines that any given pollutant has the reasonable potential to cause or contribute to an in-stream excursion above the WQS, the permit must contain effluent limits for that pollutant.

A reasonable potential analysis (RPA) is a numeric RP decision calculated using effluent data provided by the facility for parameters that have a numeric Water Quality Standard (WQS). A Reasonable Potential Determination (RPD) consists of evaluating visual observations for compliance with narrative criteria, non-numeric information, or small amounts of numerical data.

✓ An RPA was conducted on Ammonia. Please see **APPENDIX – RPA RESULTS.**

WASTELOAD ALLOCATIONS (WLA) FOR LIMITS:
As per [10 CSR 20-2.010(86)], the amount of pollutant each discharger is allowed by the department to release into a given stream after the department has determined total amount of pollutant that may be discharged into that stream without endangering its water quality.

✓ Wasteload allocations were calculated where applicable using water quality criteria or water quality model results and the dilution equation below:

$$Ce = \frac{(Qe + Qs)C - (Qs \times Cs)}{(Qe)}$$ (EPA/505/2-90-001, Section 4.5.5)

Where C = downstream concentration Ce = effluent concentration
Cs = upstream concentration Qe = effluent flow
Qs = upstream flow

Chronic wasteload allocations were determined using applicable chronic water quality criteria (CCC: criteria continuous concentration) and stream volume of flow at the edge of the mixing zone (MZ). Acute wasteload allocations were determined using applicable water quality criteria (CMC: criteria maximum concentration) and stream volume of flow at the edge of the zone of initial dilution (ZID).

Water quality based maximum daily and average monthly effluent limitations were calculated using methods and procedures outlined in USEPA's "Technical Support Document For Water Quality-based Toxics Control" (EPA/505/2-90-001).

Part IV – Cost Analysis for Compliance

✓ Pursuant to §644.145 RSMo, the department is not required to complete a cost analysis for compliance because the facility is not a combined or separate sanitary sewer system for a publicly owned treatment works.

Part V – Administrative Requirements

On the basis of preliminary staff review and the application of applicable standards and regulations, the department, as administrative agent for the Missouri Clean Water Commission, proposes to issue a permit(s) subject to certain effluent limitations, schedules, and special conditions contained herein and within the operating permit. The proposed determinations are tentative pending public comment.

WATER QUALITY STANDARD REVISION:
In accordance with §644.058 RSMo, the department is required to utilize an evaluation of the environmental and economic impacts of modifications to water quality standards of twenty-five percent or more when making individual site-specific permit decisions.

- ✓ This operating permit does not contain requirements for a water quality standard that has changed twenty-five percent or more since the previous operating permit.

PUBLIC NOTICE:
The department shall give public notice that a draft permit has been prepared and its issuance is pending. Additionally, public notice will be issued if a public hearing is to be held because of a significant degree of interest in and water quality concerns related to a draft permit. No public notice is required when a request for a permit modification or termination is denied; however, the requester and permittee must be notified of the denial in writing. The department must issue public notice of a pending operating permit or of a new or reissued statewide general permit. The public comment period is the length of time not less than 30 days following the date of the public notice which interested persons may submit written comments about the proposed permit. For persons wanting to submit comments regarding this proposed operating permit, then please refer to the Public Notice page located at the front of this draft operating permit. The Public Notice page gives direction on how and where to submit appropriate comments.

- ✓ The Public Notice period for this operating permit was September 12, 2025, through October 13, 2025. No comments were received

DATE OF FACT SHEET: OCTOBER 14, 2025

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Appendices

APPENDIX – RPA RESULTS:

Parameter	CMC*	RWC Acute*	CCC*	RWC Chronic*	n**	Range max/min	CV***	MF	RP Yes/No
Ammonia as N – Summer (mg/L)	12.1	2.57	1.5	2.57	8.00	0.778/0.0162	0.60	3.30	YES
Ammonia as N – Winter (mg/L)	12.1	4.43	2.9	4.43	7.00	1.23/0.0994	0.60	3.60	YES

N/A – Not Applicable
* - Units are (µg/L) unless otherwise noted.
** - If the number of samples is 10 or greater, then the CV value must be used in the WQBEL for the applicable constituent. If the number of samples is < 10, then the default CV value must be used in the WQBEL for the applicable constituent.
*** - Coefficient of Variation (CV) is calculated by dividing the Standard Deviation of the sample set by the Mean of the same sample set.
RWC – Receiving Water Concentration. It is the concentration of a toxicant or the parameter toxicity in the receiving water after mixing (if applicable).
n – Is the number of samples.
MF – Multiplying Factor. 99% Confidence Level and 99% Probability Basis.
RP – Reasonable Potential. It is where an effluent is projected or calculated to cause an excursion above a water quality standard based on a number of factors including, as a minimum, the four factors listed in 40 CFR 122.44(d)(1)(ii).

Reasonable Potential Analysis is conducted as per (TSD, EPA/505/2-90-001, Section 3.3.2). A more detailed version including calculations of this RPA is available upon request.

APPENDIX – Non-Detect Example Calculations:

Example: Permittee has four samples for Pollutant X which has a method minimum level of 5 mg/L and is to report a Daily Maximum and Monthly Average.

Week 1 = 11.4 mg/L
Week 2 = Non-Detect or <5.0 mg/L
Week 3 = 7.1 mg/L
Week 4 = Non-Detect or <5.0 mg/L

For this example, use subpart (h) - For reporting an average based on a mix of detected and non-detected values (not including *E. coli*), assign a value of "0" for all non-detects for that reporting period and report the average of all the results.

11.4 + 0 + 7.1 + 0 = 18.5 ÷ 4 (number of samples) = 4.63 mg/L.

The Permittee reports a Monthly Average of 4.63 mg/L and a Daily maximum of 11.4 mg/L (Note the < symbol was dropped in the answers).

Example: Permittee has five samples for Pollutant Y that has a method minimum level of 9 µg/L and is to report a Daily Maximum and Monthly Average.

Day 1 = Non-Detect or <9.0 µg/L
Day 2 = Non-Detect or <9.0 µg/L
Day 3 = Non-Detect or <9.0 µg/L
Day 4 = Non-Detect or <9.0 µg/L
Day 5 = Non-Detect or <9.0 µg/L

For this example, use subpart (g) - For reporting an average based on all non-detected values, remove the "<" sign from the values, average the values, and then add the "<" symbol back to the resulting average.

(9 +9 +9 +9 +9) ÷ 5 (number of samples) = <9 µg/L.

The Permittee reports a Monthly Average of <9.0 µg/L (retain the 'less than' symbol) and a Daily Maximum of <9.0 µg/L.

Example: Permittee has four samples for Pollutant Z where the first two tests were conducted using a method with a method minimum level of 4 µg/L and the remaining two tests were conducted using a different method that has a method minimum level of <6 µg/L and is to report a Monthly Average and a Weekly Average.

Week 1 = Non-Detect or <4.0 µg/L
Week 2 = Non-Detect or <4.0 µg/L
Week 3 = Non-Detect or <6.0 µg/L
Week 4 = Non-Detect or <6.0 µg/L

For this example, use subpart (g) - For reporting an average based on all non-detected values, remove the "<" sign from the values, average the values, and then add the "<" symbol back to the resulting average.

(4 + 4 + 6 + 6) ÷ 4 (number of samples) = <5 µg/L. (Monthly)

The facility reports a Monthly Average of <5.0 µg/L and a Weekly Average of <6.0 µg/L.

APPENDIX – Non-Detect Example Calculations (Continued):

Example: Permittee has five samples for Pollutant Z where the first two tests were conducted using a method with a method minimum level of 4 µg/L and the remaining three tests were conducted using a different method that has a method minimum level of <6 µg/L and is to report a Monthly Average and a Weekly Average.

Week 1 = Non-Detect or <4.0 µg/L
Week 2 = Non-Detect or <4.0 µg/L
Week 2 = Non-Detect or <6.0 µg/L
Week 3 = Non-Detect or <6.0 µg/L
Week 4 = Non-Detect or <6.0 µg/L

For this example, use subpart (g) - For reporting an average based on all non-detected values, remove the "<" sign from the values, average the values, and then add the "<" symbol back to the resulting average.

(4 + 4 + 6 + 6 + 6) ÷ 5 (number of samples) = <5.2 µg/L. (Monthly)
(4 + 6) ÷ 2 (number of samples) = <5 µg/L. (Week 2)

The facility reports a Monthly Average of <5.2 µg/L and a Weekly Average of <6.0 µg/L (report highest Weekly Average value)

Example: Permittee has four samples for Pollutant Z where the tests were conducted using a method with a method minimum level of 10 µg/L and is to report a Monthly Average and Daily Maximum. The permit lists that Pollutant Z has a department determined Minimum Quantification Level (ML) of 130 µg/L.

Week 1 = 12 µg/L
Week 2 = 52 µg/L
Week 3 = Non-Detect or <10 µg/L
Week 4 = 133 µg/L

For this example, use subpart (h) - For reporting an average based on a mix of detected and non-detected values (not including *E. coli*), assign a value of "0" for all non-detects for that reporting period and report the average of all the results.

For this example, (12 + 52 + 0 + 133) ÷ 4 (number of samples) = 197 ÷ 4 = 49.3 µg/L.

The facility reports a Monthly Average of 49.3 µg/L and a Daily Maximum of 133 µg/L.

Example: Permittee has five samples for *E. coli* which has a method minimum level of 1 #/100mL and is to report a Weekly Average (seven (7) day geometric mean) and a Monthly Average (thirty (30) day geometric mean).

Week 1 = 102 #/100mL
Week 2 (Monday) = 400 #/100mL
Week 2 (Friday) = Non-Detect or <1 #/100mL
Week 3 = 15 #/100mL
Week 4 = Non-Detect or <1 #/100mL

For this example, use subpart (i) - When E. coli is not detected above the method minimum level, the permittee must report the data qualifier signifying less than detection limit for that parameter (e.g., <1 #/100mL, if the method minimum level is 1 #/100mL). For reporting a geometric mean based on a mix of detected and non-detected values, use one-half of the detection limit (instead of zero) for non-detects when calculating geometric means. The Geometric Mean is calculated by multiplying all of the data points and then taking the nth root of this product, where n = # of samples collected.

The Monthly Average (30 day Geometric Mean) = 5th root of (102)(400)(0.5)(15)(0.5) = 5th root of 153,000 = 10.9 #/100mL.
The 7 day Geometric Mean = 2nd root of (400)(0.5) = 2nd root of 200 = 14.1 #/100mL. (Week 2)

The Permittee reports a Monthly Average (30 day Geometric Mean) of 10.9 #/100mL and a Weekly Average (7 day geometric mean) of 102 #/100mL (report highest Weekly Average value)