

STATE OF TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES

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Addendum to Rationale
Including
Record of Comments and Responses
(Notice of Determination)

STATE OF TENNESSEE NPDES GENERAL PERMIT FOR DISCHARGES OF HYDROSTATIC TEST WATER

Permit No. TNG670000

April 26, 2021

Administrative Record

The permit rationale (or fact sheet) dated February 9, 2021, sets forth the Division of Water Resources' (the division) basis for permit conditions to be applied statewide for the issuance of the new Tennessee National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) General Permit for Discharges of Hydrostatic Test Water. This general permit is intended to authorize any new or existing point source discharges from new facilities, unused facilities, and from used facilities which have been used for the transportation or storage of natural gas, crude oil, or liquid or gaseous petroleum hydrocarbons.

The current hydrostatic general permit expires on April 30, 2021. On February 9, 2021, the division issued Public Notice number MMXXI-006 (requesting public comments on the draft permit) as well as a public notice number NOPH21-001, which announced the public hearing. The public hearing was held pursuant to Rule 0400-40-5-.06 (8) at the following time and location:

Date: April 13, 2021 Location: WebEx:

https://tngov.webex.com/tngov/j.php?MTID=me7e3cb212f3db45fe3d10a123e3e660c

To access the meeting beginning at 4:45 PM CST and then during the times below one may:

1) type the above URL in a web browser or

2) join by telephone. Directions and links for access are on this webpage:

https://www.tn.gov/environment/ppo-public-participation.html

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Meeting number (access code): 185 529 7353

Meeting password: DWRPHHydro1

Time: 5:00-7:00 PM CST, Formal Public Hearing

Copy of the draft WTP permit was made available in an electronic format on the TDEC web site at:

http://environment-

online.state.tn.us:8080/pls/enf_reports/f?p=9034:34051:::NO:34051:P34051_PERMIT_NUMBER: TNG670000

The proposed NPDES permit was drafted in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, the Tennessee Water Quality Control Act, and other lawful standards and regulations. The division received comments through April 23, 2021. This Notice of Determination (NOD) serves as the division's response to questions, comments and issues that were raised at the hearing and/or submitted during the comment period.

Determination

No comments were received during the public notice period, during or following the public hearing. During internal review of the draft permit, it was decided to add a cross-reference to the division's program regarding withdrawal and use of surface water within Tennessee.

Final permit has been updated to address typographical errors and clarifications. The division does not consider any of these typographical errors and clarifications to be of a substantial nature which in any way removes, weakens, or diminishes permit requirements.

The division's decision on this matter is to issue a General NPDES Permit for Discharges of Hydrostatic Test Water, Permit No. TNG640000.

Please contact Ms. Liz Campbell at 615-532-1172 or <u>Water.Permits@tn.gov</u> to request additional copies of this NOD. A copy may also be found on TDEC's Dataviewer.

DATE: <u>4/26/2021</u>

or Jennifer Dodd

Director