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FOREWORD

Pollutants in storm water discharges from many sources are largely uncontrolled. The National Water Quality Inventory, 1990 Report to Congress provides a general assessment of water quality based on biennial reports submitted by the States under Section 305(b) of the Clean Water Act. The report indicates that roughly 30% of identified cases of water quality impairment reported by the States are attributable to storm water discharges.

Sampling data from storm water discharges is an important tool which provides information on the types and amounts of pollutants present. This data can then be used to identify pollutant sources and to develop storm water pollution prevention plans and best management practices priorities to control these sources.

This manual is for operators of facilities that discharge storm water associated with industrial activity and operators of large and medium municipal separate storm sewer systems. This manual describes the basic sampling requirements for NPDES storm water discharge permit applications and provides procedural guidance on how to conduct sampling. Many of the concepts in this guidance may also be applicable to sampling requirements contained in NPDES storm water permits.

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This document is expected to be revised periodically to reflect advances in this rapidly evolving area. Comments from users are welcomed. Send comments to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Wastewater Enforcement and Compliance, 401 M Street, SW, Mailcode EN-336, Washington, DC 20460.

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NPDES STORM WATER SAMPLING GUIDANCE DOCUMENT

1. INTRODUCTION

The 1972 Federal Water Pollution Control Act [(FWPCA), also referred to as the Clean Water Act (CWA)] prohibits the discharge of any pollutant to waters of the U.S. from a point source unless the discharge is authorized by a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. Efforts to improve water quality under the NPDES program have focused traditionally on reducing pollutants in industrial process wastewater discharges and from municipal sewage treatment plants. Past efforts to address storm water discharges, in particular through the NPDES program, have generally been limited to certain industrial categories, using effluent limitations for storm water as a permit condition.

Recognizing the need for more comprehensive control of storm waters discharges, Congress amended the CWA in 1987 and established a two-phase program. In Phase I, Congress required the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to establish NPDES requirements for certain classes of storm water discharges.

- A storm water discharge for which a permit has been issued prior to February 4, 1987
- A storm water discharge associated with industrial activity
- A storm water discharge from a municipal separate storm sewer system serving a population of 250,000 or more (large system)
- A storm water discharge from a municipal separate storm sewer system serving a population of 100,000 or more, but less than 250,000 (medium system)
- A discharge for which the Administrator or the State determines that the storm water discharge contributes to a violation of a water quality standard or is a significant contributor of pollutants to the waters of the United States.

To implement these requirements, EPA published on November 16, 1990 (55 Fed. Reg. 47990), permit application requirements that include storm water sampling. EPA and the States will subsequently issue NPDES storm water permits based on these applications, and many of these

permits will require storm water sampling. Congress intended for EPA to address all other point source discharges of storm water in Phase II of the program.

1.1 PURPOSE OF THIS MANUAL

This manual is for operators of facilities that discharge storm water associated with industrial activity and operators of large and medium municipal separate storm sewer systems. Storm water sampling is sometimes difficult due to the unpredictability of storm events and the variable nature of storm water discharges. This manual is primarily designed to assist operators/owners in planning for and fulfilling the NPDES storm water discharge sampling requirements for permit applications as well as for other storm water sampling needs.

It is assumed that applicants already have a basic understanding of the storm water permit application requirements. This document is designed to supplement existing storm water application guidance by focusing on the technical aspects of sampling. Since many industrial storm water permits and all municipal storm water permits will require regular storm water sampling, many of the concepts in this guidance may be applicable to sampling requirements contained in NPDES storm water permits.

The information in this manual pertains specifically to individual industrial storm water applications, group storm water applications (Part 2), and municipal Part 2 storm water permit applications for storm water discharges. For information on other storm water application requirements for industrial facilities and large and medium municipal separate storm sewer systems, see EPA's Guidance Manual for the Preparation of NPDES Permit Applications for Storm Water Discharges Associated with Industrial Activity (EPA-505/8-91-002, NTIS # PB-92-199058, April 1991), and EPA's Guidance Manual for the Preparation of Part 1 of the NPDES Permit Applications for Discharges from Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (EPA-505/8-91-003A, NTIS # PB-92-114578, April 1991), respectively. These manuals can be requested by calling the National Technical Information Service (NTIS) **[(703) 487-4650]**. Additional background documents for further information are listed in Technical Appendix D.

1.2 ORGANIZATION OF THIS MANUAL

This manual explains the basic requirements of storm water sampling and provides procedural guidance on sampling for permit applications. Chapter 2 discusses background information (i.e., a

summary of permit application requirements, who must sample, when and where to sample, and staffing considerations). Chapter 3 presents the fundamentals of sampling (i.e., types of sampling, obtaining flow data, handling samples, and sending them to the laboratory). Chapter 4 presents analytical considerations, including the storm water pollutants that must be analyzed under the regulations. Chapter 5 discusses regulatory flexibility with respect to storm water sampling, and Chapter 6 includes health and safety considerations.

Technical Appendices provide information as follows:

- Technical Appendix A—Forms 2F and 1
- Technical Appendix B—NOAA Weather Radio Information
- Technical Appendix C—Required Containers, Preservation Techniques, Holding Times and 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 136
- Technical Appendix D—References
- Technical Appendix E—Glossary
- Technical Appendix F—Acronyms.

2. BACKGROUND FOR STORM WATER SAMPLING

This chapter presents background information, definitions, and a description of the fundamentals of sampling. Specifically, it covers the following areas:

- The benefits of sampling
- A summary of storm water application regulations
- Who must sample
- When sampling is required
- Where to sample
- Staffing considerations

In response to the 1987 Water Quality Act amendments to the CWA, EPA published the storm water final rule on November 16, 1990. In this rule, EPA established the initial scope of the storm water program by defining the phrase "storm water discharge associated with industrial activity" in terms of 11 categories of industrial activity and the phrase "large and medium municipal separate storm sewer systems" to include municipal systems serving a population greater than 100,000. These terms are discussed in greater detail in Section 2.6, "Who Must Sample."

In addition to defining the initial scope of the storm water program, the final rule established permit application requirements, including requirements for storm water sampling. Sampling data gathered for the application will be used to characterize storm water discharges, and will serve as a basis for establishing requirements in NPDES storm water permits. It is important to note that the applicant must report data that are representative of the storm water discharge, and that the intentional misrepresentation of discharge characteristics is unlawful.

2.1 BENEFITS OF SAMPLING

Data that characterize storm water discharges are valuable to permitting authorities and permittees for several reasons. First, storm water sampling provides a means for evaluating the environmental risk of the storm water discharge by identifying the types and amounts of pollutants present. Evaluating these data helps to determine the relative potential for the storm water discharge to contribute to water quality impacts or water quality standard violations. And, storm water sampling

data can be used to identify potential sources of pollutants. These sources can then be either eliminated or controlled more specifically by the permit.

2.2 INDUSTRIAL FACILITY APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

The storm water permit application regulations provide operators of facilities (including those owned by the government) that have storm water discharges associated with industrial activity with three application options: (1) submit an individual application; (2) participate in a group application (a two-part application); or (3) submit a Notice of Intent (NOI) to be covered by a general permit where general permits are available. This guidance focuses on sampling requirements for individual applications and Part 2 of group applications. Sampling data generally will not be required for an NOI, however, the general permit may require sampling during the term of the permit. State permitting authorities may also require sampling information for an NOI at their discretion, and should, therefore, be consulted prior to submittal.

Industrial facilities submitting individual applications must submit sampling data on a completed application Form 2F (entitled "Application for Permit to Discharge Storm Water Discharges Associated with Industrial Activity"). Facilities selected to be part of the sampling subgroup for a group application must submit sampling data with Part 2 of the application. Members of the sampling subgroup must complete only the quantitative data portions of Form 2F, including Sections VII, VIII, IX, and the certification in Section X. Exhibit 2-1 details the types of information required for each section of Form 2F. Exhibit 2-2 describes what sampling information must be provided in Part 2 of the group application. It should be noted that States may require the use of different forms and submittal of additional documentation.

Form 1 must also be submitted with Form 2F by applicants submitting individual permit applications. General information about the facility is provided on Form 1 (i.e., addresses, operators, etc.); it does not request sampling data. Forms 1 and 2F are reproduced in Technical Appendix A.

Facilities with unpermitted combined discharges of storm water and process or nonprocess wastewater must submit Form 2C or 2E, respectively, in addition to Forms 1 and 2F. Facilities with storm water discharges combined with new sources or new discharges of process wastewater must submit Form 2D as well as Forms 1 and 2F.

EXHIBIT 2-1. FORM 2F APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS	
Section	**Requirement**
2F-I	Outfall location(s), including longitude and latitude and receiving water(s)
2F-II	Facility improvements which may affect the discharges described in the application
2F-III	Site drainage map
2F-IVA	Estimates of impervious area within each outfall drainage area
2F-IVB	A narrative description of pollutant sources (i.e., onsite materials which may come in contact with storm water runoff)
2F-IVC	Location and description of existing structural and nonstructural pollutant control measures
2F-VA	Certification that outfalls have been tested or evaluated for non-storm water discharges
2F-VB	Description of method used for testing/evaluating presence of non-storm water discharges
2F-VI	History of significant leaks or spills of toxic or hazardous pollutants at the facility within the last 3 years
2F-VII	Discharge characterization for all required pollutants
2F-VIII	Statement of whether biological testing for acute or chronic toxicity was performed and list of pollutants it was performed for
2F-IX	Information on contract laboratories or consulting firms
2F-X	Certification that information supplied is accurate and complete
Note: See Form 2F and the instructions for more detail on application requirements.	

2.3 MUNICIPALITIES' APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Operators of large and medium municipal separate storm sewer systems are required to submit a two-part application. Both parts contain sampling requirements: Part 1 requires information characterizing discharges from the separate storm sewer system, including field screening sample data for identifying illicit/illegal connections; Part 2 requires sampling at representative locations and estimates of pollutant loadings for those sites. These sampling data are to be used to design a long-term storm water monitoring plan that will be implemented during the term of the permit. The sampling data that must be submitted in Parts 1 and 2 of municipal applications are listed in Exhibit 2-3. There is no standard application form for municipalities.

EXHIBIT 2-2. PART 2 GROUP APPLICATION SAMPLING REQUIREMENTS

Quantitative Testing Data

- For groups with 4 to 20 members, 50 percent of the facilities must submit data; for groups with 21 to 99 members, a minimum of 10 dischargers must submit quantitative data; for groups with 100 to 1,000 members, a minimum of 10 percent of the facilities must submit data; for groups with greater than 1,000 members, no more than 100 facilities must submit data; there must be 2 dischargers from each precipitation zone in which 10 or more members of the group are located, or 1 discharger from each precipitation zone in which 9 or fewer members are located.

- Sampling and analysis requirements are described in 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 122.26(c)(1)(i)(E) and 40 CFR 122.21(g)(7). Pollutants to be analyzed depend on the type(s) of industries applying as a group.

- Sampling subgroup must provide all quantitative discharge information required in Form 2F Sections VII-IX plus the certification in Section X.

- The group application sampling subgroup must collect grab samples during the first 30 minutes of the storm event and flow-weighted composite samples as required in 40 CFR 122.21(g)(7).

2.4 APPLICATION SUBMITTAL DEADLINES

Deadlines for submitting permit applications and associated sampling requirements are presented in Exhibit 2-4 for individual and group industrial applications and for municipal applications.

2.5 WHERE TO SUBMIT APPLICATIONS

Storm water discharge permit applications are generally submitted directly to the permit-issuing authority. The appropriate authority is the State, where the State has been granted the authority to issue NPDES permits, or the EPA Regional office, where the State does not have NPDES authorization. Exhibit 2-5 indicates which States have approved NPDES permitting programs. It also provides contact names and addresses where applications should be submitted for each State or EPA Regional Office (depending on who the permitting authority is in each case). It should be noted, however, that both parts of a group application must instead be submitted to EPA Headquarters. Group applications must be sent to: Director, Office of Wastewater Enforcement and Compliance, Attention Mr. William Swietlik, U.S. EPA, EN-336, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20640.

EXHIBIT 2-3. MUNICIPAL APPLICATION SAMPLING REQUIREMENTS

Part 1

- Monthly mean rainfall and snowfall estimates
- Existing quantitative data on the depth and quality of storm water discharges
- A list of receiving water bodies and existing information concerning known water quality impacts
- Field screening analysis for illicit connections and illegal dumping
- Identification of representative outfalls for further sampling in Part 2

Part 2

- Quantitative data from 5 to 10 representative locations in approved sampling plans
- Estimates of the annual pollutant load and event mean concentration (EMC) of system discharges
- Proposed schedule to provide estimates of seasonal pollutant loads and the EMC for certain detected constituents in a representative storm event during the term of the permit
- Proposed monitoring program for representative data collection during the term of the permit

Applications submitted by industrial facilities must be certified by a responsible corporate officer as described in 40 CFR 122.22 (e.g., president, secretary, treasurer, vice president of the corporation in charge of a principal business function). Applications submitted by municipalities must be certified by a principal executive officer or ranking elected official as described in 40 CFR 122.22.

2.6 WHO MUST SAMPLE

Operators of facilities that have storm water discharges associated with industrial activity and operators of large and medium municipalities are required to conduct storm water sampling as part of their NPDES permit applications. Specifically, the following types of industries and municipalities must sample storm water discharges:

EXHIBIT 2-4. PERMIT APPLICATION SUBMISSION DEADLINES		
	Date	**Sampling Requirement**
Industrial		
Individual	October 1, 1992	Sampling data due
Group		
• Part 1	September 30, 1991	Sampling subgroup identified
• Part 2	October 1, 1992	Sampling data due
Municipal		
Large Municipalities		
• Part 1	November 18, 1991	Illicit connection screening due and identification of sampling points
• Part 2	November 16, 1992	Effluent characterization due Monitoring management program identified
Medium Municipalities		
• Part 1	May 18, 1992	Illicit connection screening due and identification of sampling points
• Part 2	May 17, 1993	Effluent characterization due Monitoring management program identified
*NOI under a general permit is due on October 1, 1992 or the date specified in the permit, whichever comes first.		

- Storm Water Discharges Associated With Industrial Activities - Under Phase I, the storm water permit application regulations identify, by Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) code and narrative description, 11 categories of facilities considered to be "engaging in industrial activity" for the purposes of storm water permit application requirements. Those facilities included in 40 CFR 122.26(b)(14)(i) through (xi) of the storm water permit application regulations with storm water point source discharges to waters of the U.S. or separate storm sewers and those designated under Section 402(p)(2)(E) of the CWA are required to apply for storm water permit coverage by October 1, 1992. Industrial facilities include those that are Federally, State, or municipally owned or operated. Exhibit 2-6 lists these industrial facilities. The Transportation Act of 1991 provides an exemption from storm water permitting requirements for certain industrial activities owned or operated by municipalities with a population of less than 100,000. Such municipalities must submit storm water discharge permit applications for only airports, power plants, and uncontrolled sanitary landfills that they own or operate, unless a permit is otherwise required by the permitting authority.

- Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems - Under Phase I, those municipalities with separate storm sewer systems serving 100,000 people or more are required to submit an application for discharges from the system. (Only the part of the population served by municipal separate storm sewers is to be included in the 100,000 count, not the part served by combined sewers.) Regulated municipalities are listed in Appendices F through I in the November 16, 1990, final rule or have been designated by their permitting authority.

EXHIBIT 2-5. NPDES STORM WATER PROGRAM PERMITTING AUTHORITIES

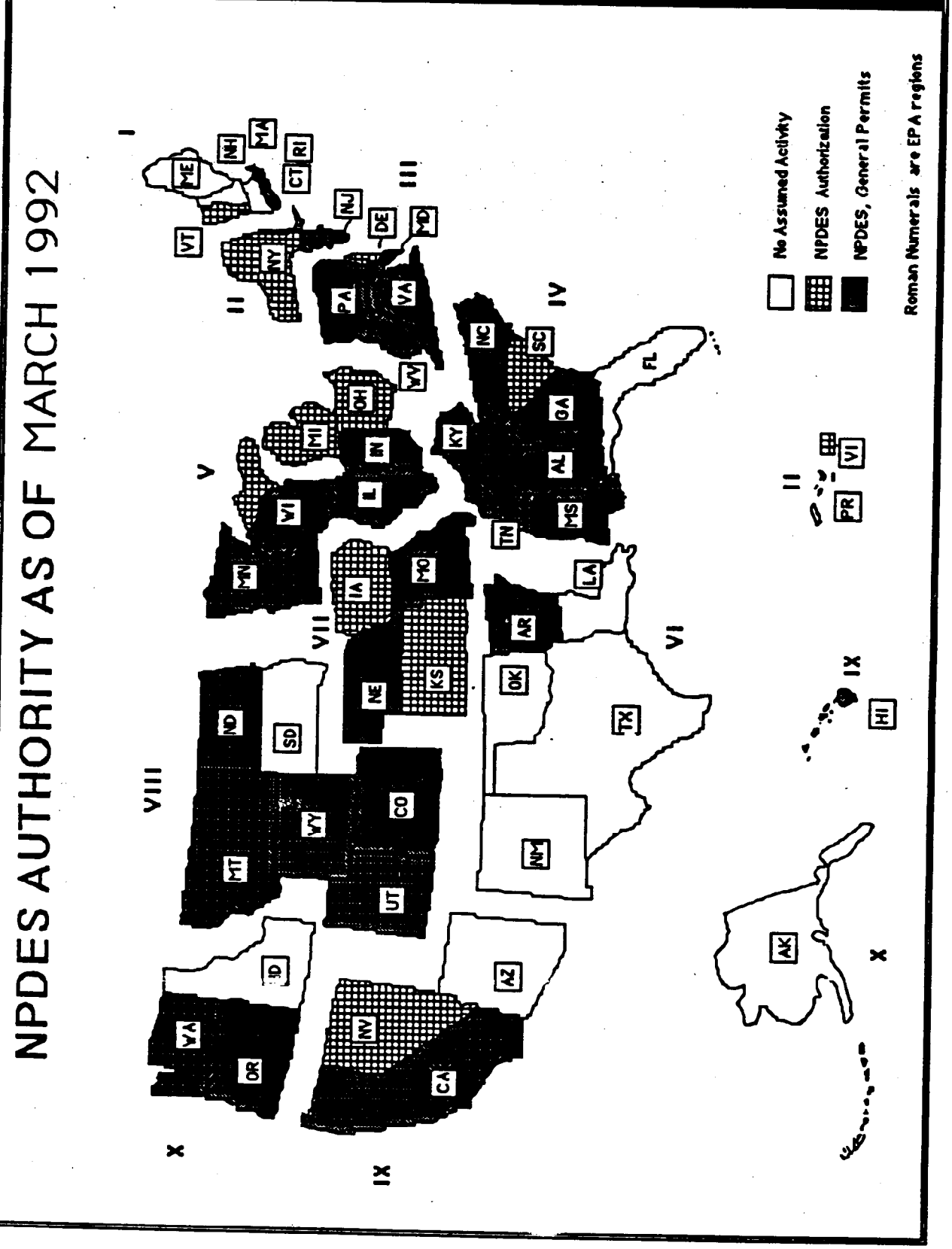


EXHIBIT 2-5. NPDES STORM WATER PROGRAM PERMITTING AUTHORITIES (Continued)

State	Permitting Authority	Contact	State	Permitting Authority	Contact
Alabama	yes	Aubrey White Water Division 1751 Dickinson Dr. Montgomery, AL 36130 (205) 271-7811	Alaska	no	Steve Bubnick U.S. EPA Region 10 1200 6th Ave. WD-134 Seattle, WA 98101 (206) 553-8399
Arizona	no	Eugene Bromley U.S. EPA Region 9 75 Hawthorne St. W-5-1 San Francisco, CA 94105 (415) 744-1906	Arkansas	yes	Maryzia Jastrzebski 8001 National Dr. P.O. Box 8913 Little Rock, AR 72219-8913 (501) 562-7444
California	yes	Archie Matthews Storm Water Research Control Board Water Quality 901 P St. Sacramento, CA 95814 (916) 657-1110	Colorado	yes	Patricia Nelson Dept. of Health Water Quality Control 4210 E. 11th Ave. Denver, CO 80220 (303) 331-4590
Connecticut	yes	Dick Mason Dept. of Environmental Protection Water Management Bureau Water Discharge Management 165 Capitol Ave. Hartford, CT 06106 (203) 566-7167	Delaware	yes	Sarah Cooksey Dept. of Natural Resources Surface Water Management 89 Kings Highway P.O. Box 1401 Dover, DE 19903 (302) 739-5731
Florida	no	Chris Thomas U.S. EPA Region 4 345 Courtland St. N.E. 4WM-FP Atlanta, GA 30365 (404) 347-3633	Georgia	yes	Mike Creason Dept. of Natural Resources Environmental Protection 205 Butler St. S.E. Room 1070 Atlanta, GA 30334 (404) 656-4887
Hawaii	yes	Steve Chang Dept. of Health Clean Water Branch Five Water Front Plaza #500 Ala-Moana Blvd. Honolulu, HI 96813 (808) 586-4309	Idaho	no	Steve Bubnick U.S. EPA Region 10 1200 6th Ave. WD-134 Seattle, WA 98101 (206) 553-8399
Illinois	yes	Tim Kluge EPA Water Pollution Control 2200 Churchill Rd. P.O. Box 19276 Springfield, IL 62794-9276 (217) 782-0610	Indiana	yes	Lonnie Brumfield Dept. of Environmental Management NPDES Permits Group 105 S. Meridian St. P.O. Box 6015 Indianapolis, IN 46206 (317) 232-8705
Iowa	yes	Monica Wnuk Department of Natural Resources Wallace State Building 900 E. Grand St. Des Moines, IA 50319-0034 (515) 281-7017	Kansas	yes	Don Carlson Dept. of Environment Water Bureau Forbes Field, Building 740 Topeka, KS 66620 (913) 296-5555

EXHIBIT 2-5. NPDES STORM WATER PROGRAM PERMITTING AUTHORITIES (Continued)

State	Permitting Authority	Contact	State	Permitting Authority	Contact
Kentucky	yes	Douglas Allgeier Dept. of Environmental Protection Water Division 18 Reilly Road Frankfort, KY 40601 (502) 564-3410	Louisiana	no	Brent Larson U.S. EPA Region 6 1455 Ross Ave. 6W-PM Dallas, TX 75202 (214) 655-7175
Maine	no	Shelley Puleo U.S. EPA Region 1 U.S. EPA/JFK Building/WCP Boston, MA 02203 (617) 565-3525	Maryland	yes	Edward Gertler MD Dept. of Environment Industrial Discharge Program 2500 Broening Highway Baltimore, MD 21224 (410) 631-3323
Massachusetts	no	Shelley Puleo U.S. EPA Region 1 U.S. EPA/JFK Building/WCP Boston, MA 02203 (617) 565-3525	Michigan	yes	Gary Boersen Dept. of Natural Resources Surface Water Division P.O. Box 30028 Lansing, MI 48909 (517) 373-1982
Minnesota	yes	Scott Thompson Pollution Control Agency 520 Lafayette Rd. St. Paul, MN 55155-3898 (612) 296-7203	Mississippi	yes	Jerry Cain Dept. of Environmental Quality Office of Pollution Control Industrial Waste Water Branch P.O. Box 10385 Jackson, MS 39289-0385 (601) 961-5171
Missouri	yes	Bob Hentges Dept. of Natural Resources Water Pollution Control Program 205 Jefferson St. P.O. Box 176 Jefferson City, MO 65102 (314) 751-6825	Montana	yes	Fred Shewman Water Quality Bureau Cogswell Building Helena, MT 59620 (406) 444-2406
Nebraska	yes	Clark Smith Environmental Control Water Quality Division P.O. Box 98922 Lincoln, NE 68509 (402) 471-4239	Nevada	yes	Rob Saunders Conservation and Natural Resources Environmental Protection 123 W. Nye Lane Carson City, NV 89710 (702) 687-4670
New Hampshire	no	Shelley Puleo U.S. EPA Region 1 U.S. EPA/JFK Building/WCP Boston, MA 02203 (617) 565-3525	New Jersey	yes	Sandra Cohen NJ DEPE Office of Regulatory Policy CN029 Trenton, NJ 08625-0029 NJ Hotline: (609) 633-7021
New Mexico	no	Brent Larson U.S. EPA Region 6 1445 Ross Ave. 6W-PM Dallas, TX 75202 (214) 655-7175	New York	yes	Ken Stevens Wastewater Facilities Design NY State DEC 50 Wolf Road Albany, NY 12233 (518) 457-1157

EXHIBIT 2-5. NPDES STORM WATER PROGRAM PERMITTING AUTHORITIES (Continued)

State	Permitting Authority	Contact	State	Permitting Authority	Contact
North Carolina	yes	Coleen Sullins Environmental Management Water Quality Planning P.O. Box 29535 Raleigh, NC 27626-0535 (919) 733-5083	North Dakota	yes	Sheila McClenathan Dept. of Health Water Quality Division 1200 Missouri Ave. P.O. Box 5520 Bismarck, ND 58502-5520 (701) 221-5210
Ohio	yes	Bob Phelps OEPA Water Pollution Control P.O. Box 1049 1800 Watermark Columbus, OH 43266 (614) 644-2034	Oklahoma	no	Brent Larson U.S. EPA Region 6 1445 Ross Ave. 6W-PM Dallas, TX 75202 (214) 655-7175
Oregon	yes	Ranei Nomura DEQ-Water Quality 811 SW 6th St. Portland, OR 97204 (503) 229-5256	Pennsylvania	yes	R.B. Patel Environmental Resources Water Quality Management P.O. Box 2063 Harrisburg, PA 17120 (717) 787-8184
Puerto Rico	no	José Rivera U.S. EPA Region 2 Water Permits & Compliance Branch 26 Federal Plaza, Room 845 New York, NY 10278 (212) 264-2911	Rhode Island	yes	Angela Liberti Division of Water Resources 291 Promenade St. Providence, RI 02908 (401) 277-6519
South Carolina	yes	Birgot McDade Dept. of Health & Env. Ctrl. Industry and Agriculture Waste Water Division 2600 Bull St. Columbia, SC 29201 (803) 734-5241	South Dakota	no	Vern Berry U.S. EPA Region 8 999 18th St. 8-WM-C Denver, CO 80202-2466 (303) 293-1630
Tennessee	yes	Robert Haley Dept. of Environment Water Pollution Control 150 9th Ave. N., 4th Floor Nashville, TN 37243-1534 (615) 741-2275	Texas	no	Brent Larson U.S. EPA Region 6 1445 Ross Ave. 6W-PM Dallas, TX 75202 (214) 655-7175
Utah	yes	Harry Campbell Dept. of Environmental Quality P.O. Box 16690 Salt Lake City, UT 84116 (801) 538-6146	Vermont	yes	Brian Koiker Environmental Conservation Permits and Compliance 103 S. Main St. Annex Building Waterbury, VT 05671-0405 (802) 244-5674

EXHIBIT 2-5. NPDES STORM WATER PROGRAM PERMITTING AUTHORITIES (Continued)

State	Permitting Authority	Contact	State	Permitting Authority	Contact
Virgin Islands	yes	Marc Pacifico Dept. of Planning & Natural Resources 1118 Watergut Project Christiansted St. Croix, VI 00820-5065 (809) 773-0565	Virginia	yes	Burton Tuxford Water Control Board Permits Section P.O. Box 11143 Richmond, VA 23230-1143 (804) 527-5083
Washington	yes	Gary Kruger Dept. of Ecology Water Quality Division P.O. Box 47600 Olympia, WA 98504-7600 (206) 438-7529	Washington D.C.	no	Kevin Magerr U.S. EPA Region 3 841 Chestnut Bldg. 3WM53 Philadelphia, PA 19107 (215) 597-1651
West Virginia	yes	Jerry Ray Division of Water Resources 1201 Greenbriar St. Charleston, WV 25311 (304) 348-0375	Wisconsin	yes	Anne Mauel Dept. of Natural Resources Wastewater Management P.O. Box 7921 Madison, WI 53707 (608) 267-7364
Wyoming	yes	John Wagner Dept. of Environmental Quality Herschler Building, 4th Floor Cheyenne, WY 82002 (307) 777-7082			

2.7 WHEN SAMPLING IS REQUIRED

Industrial individual and group applicants must include sampling data from at least one representative storm event. Operators of large or medium municipal separate storm sewer systems must submit sampling data from three different representative storm events. How to determine "representativeness" and other considerations for when to sample are presented below.

2.7.1 STORM EVENT CRITERIA

Storm water discharge permit application requirements establish specific criteria for the type of storm event that must be sampled:

- The depth of the storm must be greater than 0.1 inch accumulation
- The storm must be preceded by at least 72 hours of dry weather
- Where feasible, the depth of rain and duration of the event should not vary by more than 50 percent from the average depth and duration.

EXHIBIT 2-6. INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES WHICH MUST SUBMIT APPLICATIONS FOR STORM WATER PERMITS	
40 CFR 122.26(b)(14) Subpart	**Description**
(i)	Facilities subject to storm water effluent limitations guidelines, new source performance standards, or toxic pollutants effluent standards under 40 CFR, Subchapter N [except facilities which are exempt under category (xi)].
(ii)	Facilities classified as: SIC 24 (except 2434) . . . . . Lumber and Wood Products SIC 26 (except 265 and 267) . Paper and Allied Products SIC 28 (except 283 and 285) . Chemicals and Allied Products SIC 29 . . . . . Petroleum and Coal Products SIC 311 . . . . . Leather Tanning and Finishing SIC 32 (except 323) . . . . . Stone, Clay and Glass Products SIC 33 . . . . . Primary Metal Industries SIC 3441 . . . . . Fabricated Structural Metal SIC 373 . . . . . Ship and Boat Building and Repairing
(iii)	Facilities classified as SIC 10 through 14, including active or inactive mining operations and oil and gas exploration, production, processing, or treatment operations, or transmission facilities that discharge storm water contaminated by contact with, or that has come into contact with, any overburden, raw material, intermediate products, finished products, byproducts, or waste products located on the site of such operations. SIC 10 . . . . . Metal Mining SIC 11 . . . . . Anthracite Mining SIC 12 . . . . . Coal Mining SIC 13 . . . . . Oil and Gas Extraction SIC 14 . . . . . Nonmetallic Minerals, except Fuels
(iv)	Hazardous waste treatment, storage, or disposal facilities, including those that are operating under interim status or a permit under Subtitle C of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA).
(v)	Landfills, land application sites, and open dumps that receive or have received any industrial wastes including those that are subject to regulation under subtitle D or RCRA.
(vi)	Facilities involved in the recycling of material, including metal scrapyards, battery reclaimers, salvage yards, and automobile junkyards, including but limited to those classified as: SIC 5015 . . . . . Motor Vehicle Parts, Used SIC 5093 . . . . . Scrap and Waste Materials
(vii)	Steam electric power generating facilities, including coal handling sites.
(viii)	Transportation facilities which have vehicle maintenance shops, equipment cleaning operations, or airport de-icing operations. Only those portions of the facility that are either involved in vehicle maintenance (including vehicle rehabilitation, mechanical repairs, painting, fuelling, and lubrication), equipment cleaning operations, or airport de-icing operations, or which are otherwise listed in another category, are included. SIC 40 . . . . . Railroad Transportation SIC 41 . . . . . Local and Suburban Transit SIC 42 (except 4221-25) . . . . Motor Freight and Warehousing SIC 43 . . . . . U.S. Postal Service SIC 44 . . . . . Water Transportation SIC 45 . . . . . Transportation by Air SIC 5171 . . . . . Petroleum Bulk Stations and Terminals

EXHIBIT 2-6. INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES WHICH MUST SUBMIT APPLICATIONS FOR STORM WATER PERMITS (Continued)	
40 CFR 122.26(b)(14) Subpart	**Description**
(ix)	Treatment works treating domestic sewage or any other sewage sludge or wastewater treatment device or system, used in the storage, treatment, recycling, and reclamation of municipal or domestic sewage, including lands dedicated to the disposal of the sewage sludge that are located within the confines of the facility, with a design flow of 1.0 million gallons per day or more, or required to have an approved pretreatment program under 40 CFR Part 403. Not included are farm lands, domestic gardens, or lands used for sludge management where sludge is beneficially reused and which are not physically located in the confines of the facility, or areas that are in compliance with Section 405 of the CWA.
(x)	Construction activity including clearing, grading, and excavation activities except operations that result in the disturbance of less than 5 acres of total land area and those that are not part of a larger common plan of development or sale.*
(xi)	Facilities under the following SICs [which are not otherwise included in categories (ii)-(x)], including only storm water discharges where material handling equipment or activities, raw materials, intermediate products, final products, waste materials, byproducts, or industrial machinery are exposed to storm water.* SIC 20 . . . . . Food and Kindred Products SIC 21 . . . . . Tobacco Products SIC 22 . . . . . Textile Mill Products SIC 23 . . . . . Apparel and Other Textile Products SIC 2434 . . . . . Wood Kitchen Cabinets SIC 25 . . . . . Furniture and Fixtures SIC 265 . . . . . Paperboard Containers and Boxes SIC 267 . . . . . Converted Paper and Paper Board Products (except containers and boxes) SIC 27 . . . . . Printing and Publishing SIC 283 . . . . . Drugs SIC 285 . . . . . Paints, Varnishes, Lacquer, Enamels SIC 30 . . . . . Rubber and Misc. Plastics Products SIC 31 (except 311) . . . . . Leather and Leather Products SIC 323 . . . . . Products of Purchased Glass SIC 34 (except 3441) . . . . . Fabricated Metal Products SIC 35 . . . . . Industrial Machinery and Equipment, except Electrical SIC 36 . . . . . Electronic and Other Electric Equipment SIC 37 (except 373) . . . . . Transportation Equipment SIC 38 . . . . . Instruments and Related Products SIC 39 . . . . . Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries SIC 4221 . . . . . Farm Products Warehousing and Storage SIC 4222 . . . . . Refrigerated Warehousing and Storage SIC 4225 . . . . . General Warehousing and Storage

Source: Federal Register, Vol. 55, No. 222, p. 48065, November 16, 1990.
*On June 11, 1992, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit remanded the exemption for construction sites of less than five acres in category (x) and for manufacturing facilities in category (xi) which do not have materials or activities exposed to storm water to the EPA for further rulemaking. (Nos. 90-70671 & 91-70200).

These criteria were established to: (1) ensure that adequate flow would be discharged; (2) allow some build-up of pollutants during the dry weather intervals; and (3) ensure that the storm would be "representative," (i.e., typical for the area in terms of intensity, depth, and duration).

Collection of samples during a storm event meeting these criteria ensures that the resulting data will accurately portray the most common conditions for each site. However, the permitting authority is authorized to approve modifications of this definition (especially for applicants in arid areas where there are few representative events). Section 5.1 of Chapter 5 discusses general protocol for requesting modifications to application requirements, including the definition of "representative storm."

In determining whether a storm is representative, there are two important steps to take. First, data on local weather patterns should be collected and analyzed to determine the range of representative storms for a particular area. Second, these results should be compared to measurements of duration, intensity, and depth to ensure that the storm to be sampled fits the representativeness criteria.

2.7.2 OBTAINING RAINFALL DATA

Several sources provide accurate local weather information for both: (1) determining what a representative storm event is for a particular area; and (2) assessing expected storm events to determine whether a predicted rainfall will be "representative," and thus, meet the requirements for storm water sampling. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) National Climatic Data Center's (NCDC's) Climate Services Branch is responsible for collecting precipitation data. Data on hourly, daily, and monthly precipitation for each measuring station (with latitude and longitude) are available to the public on computer diskette, microfiche, or hard copy. Orders can be placed by calling (704) 259-0682, by fax at (704) 259-0876, or by writing to NCDC, Climate Services Branch, The Federal Building, Asheville, North Carolina 28071-2733.

The National Weather Service (NWS) of NOAA can also provide information on historic, current, and future weather conditions. Local NWS telephone numbers can be obtained from the NWS Public Affairs Office at (301) 713-0622. Telephone numbers are also usually in local phone directory listings under "National Weather Service" or "Weather." In addition, NOAA runs the NOAA NWS

Weather Radio, which provides continuous broadcasts of the most current weather information. This broadcast can be accessed with a radio that has a weather band feature. Approximately 90 percent of the United States population is within listening range of the 380 NWS stations. Technical Appendix B presents additional information on NOAA Weather Radio, including radio frequencies for specific locations and a listing of weather band radio manufacturers. Telephone recordings of weather conditions are also provided by most NWS offices.

Cable TV weather stations and local airports can also provide weather information. Weather information provided by the local newspaper or TV stations should be used only if more accurate data (as described above) are unavailable, since weather forecasts can change drastically within several hours.

Someone should be designated at the facility to follow current weather conditions by listening to NOAA Weather Radio, calling the local NWS offices, and watching cable TV weather news. Exhibit 2-7 presents a storm water sampling decision chart for mobilizing field personnel for a probable storm event.

Annual rainfall statistics can also be used to evaluate representativeness of storm events. For example, Exhibit 2-8 presents fifteen rain zones in the United States and related storm event statistics. (These rain zones are not those shown in 40 CFR Part 122 Appendix E.) To determine typical values of annual storm events for a particular facility, identify the zone in which the facility is located. The tabulated information lists the annual average number of storms and precipitation as well as the average duration, intensity, and depth of independent storm events for each zone. Care must be taken, however, in using annual rainfall statistics for determining representativeness of storm events, since the annual rainfall statistic may not be representative of seasonal rainfall events. If rainfall data is available at or close to a particular facility, it is preferable to use this data for determining average storm event statistics.

Rainfall data tabulated from NOAA precipitation data indicate for Alaska (not shown in Exhibit 2-8) that average storm events last from 14 to 24 hours in duration and are 0.6 to 1.05 inches in depth. Average storm event data for Hawaii are 9 to 11 hours in duration and from 0.6 to 1.6 inches in depth.

EXHIBIT 2-7. DECISION CHART FOR STORM WATER SAMPLING

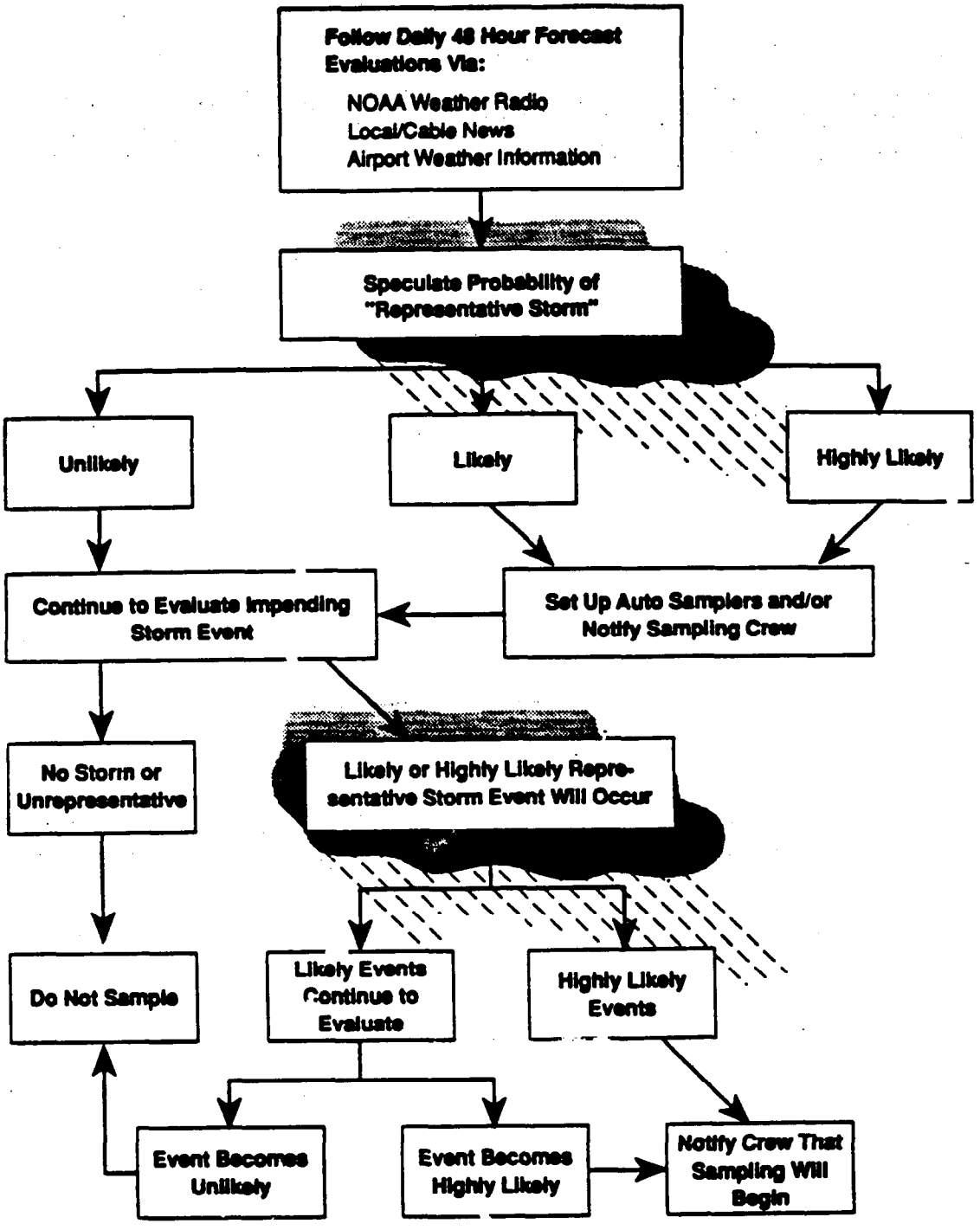
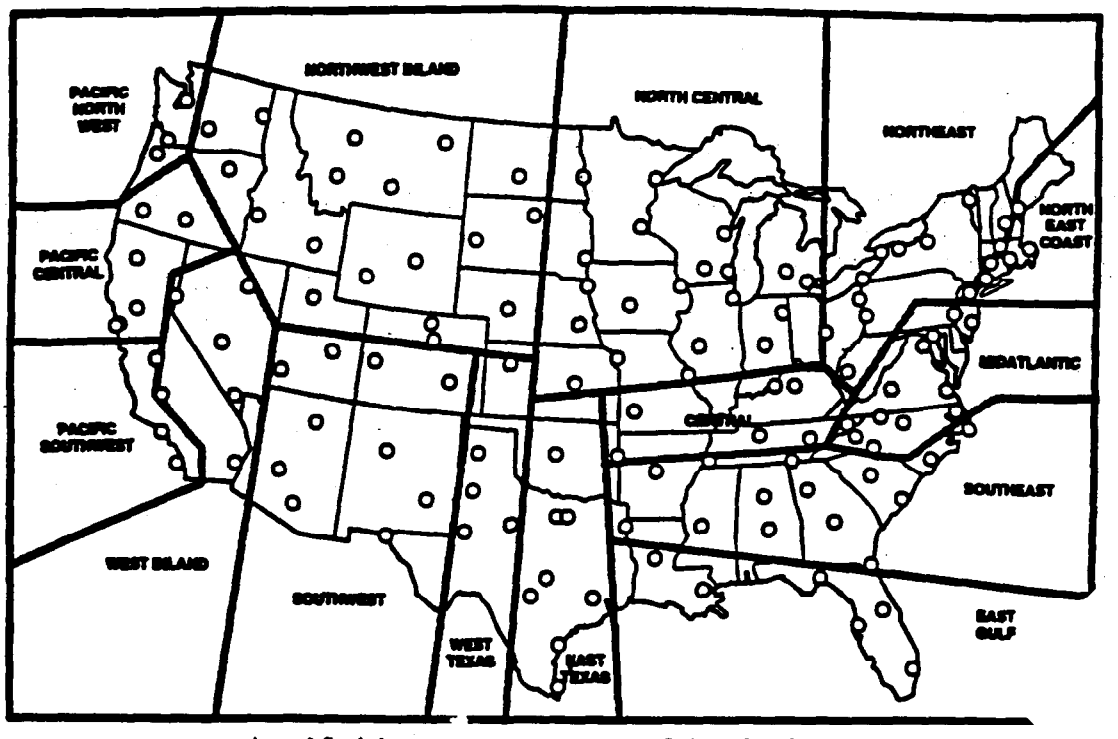


EXHIBIT 2-8. RAIN ZONES OF THE UNITED STATES



RAIN ZONE	Annual Statistics: No. of Storms Avg	No. of Storms COV	Precip. Avg (in)	Precip. COV	Independent Storm Event Statistics: Duration Avg (hr)	Duration COV	Intensity Avg (in/hr)	Intensity COV	Volume Avg (in)	Volume COV	DELTA Avg (hr)	DELTA COV
NORTH EAST	70	0.13	34.6	0.18	11.2	0.81	0.067	1.23	0.50	0.95	126	0.94
NORTH EAST—COASTAL	63	0.12	41.4	0.21	11.7	0.77	0.071	1.05	0.66	1.03	140	0.87
MIDATLANTIC	62	0.13	39.5	0.18	10.1	0.84	0.092	1.20	0.64	1.01	143	0.97
CENTRAL	68	0.14	41.9	0.19	9.2	0.85	0.097	1.09	0.62	1.00	133	0.99
NORTH CENTRAL	55	0.16	29.8	0.22	9.5	0.83	0.087	1.20	0.55	1.01	167	1.17
SOUTHEAST	65	0.15	49.0	0.20	8.7	0.92	0.122	1.09	0.75	1.10	136	1.03
EAST GULF	68	0.17	53.7	0.23	6.4	1.05	0.178	1.03	0.80	1.19	130	1.25
EAST TEXAS	41	0.22	31.2	0.29	8.0	0.97	0.137	1.08	0.76	1.18	213	1.28
WEST TEXAS	30	0.27	17.3	0.33	7.4	0.98	0.121	1.13	0.57	1.07	302	1.53
SOUTHWEST	20	0.30	7.4	0.37	7.8	0.88	0.079	1.16	0.37	0.88	473	1.46
WEST INLAND	14	0.38	4.9	0.43	9.4	0.75	0.055	1.06	0.36	0.87	786	1.54
PACIFIC SOUTH	19	0.36	10.2	0.42	11.6	0.78	0.054	0.76	0.54	0.98	476	2.09
NORTHWEST INLAND	31	0.23	11.5	0.29	10.4	0.82	0.057	1.20	0.37	0.93	304	1.43
PACIFIC CENTRAL	32	0.25	18.4	0.33	13.7	0.80	0.048	0.85	0.58	1.05	265	2.00
PACIFIC NORTHWEST	71	0.15	35.7	0.19	15.9	0.80	0.035	0.73	0.50	1.09	123	1.50

COV = Coefficient of Variation = Standard Deviation/Mean
DELTA = Interval Between Storm Midpoints
o = Rain Gauge Stations

Source: Urban Targeting and BMP Selection, U.S. EPA Region 5, November 1990.

The NWS should be consulted for proper procedures for collecting and interpolating rainfall data if the applicant elects to collect the data rather than use existing data.

2.7.3 DETERMINING REPRESENTATIVENESS

An example of how to determine whether a rainfall event varies by more than 50 percent (i.e., is not representative) is shown in Exhibit 2-9.

EXHIBIT 2-9. EXAMPLE OF 50 PERCENT VARIANCE FROM AVERAGE RAINFALL

Event Type	Duration (hrs.)	Depth (in.)
Average event	5.2	0.43
50 percent average event	2.6	0.22
150 percent average event	7.8	0.65

Once the information on an average duration and depth storm event is obtained for a specific location, multiply these numbers by 0.5 to get the 50 percent average event numbers and multiply by 1.5 to get the 150 percent average event numbers.

A representative storm in both duration and depth for a specific area will fall between the shaded numbers above (i.e., between 2.6 and 7.8 hours in duration and 0.22 and 0.65 inches in depth).

Snowmelt creates runoff which may result in point source discharges very similar to that from other storm events. Pollutants accumulate in snow, and when a thaw occurs, the pollutants will be discharged to receiving waters much like during a rain storm event. Snowmelt may be sampled as long as the applicant works closely with the permitting authority to determine the proper sampling strategy, i.e., sampling procedures, techniques, and pollutant analyses.

For snowmelt, the sampling strategy should be developed depending on the drainage area being monitored for storm flow. The strategy should consider (1) snow removal or clearing practices, e.g., direct dumping into water bodies, plowing, and the creation of snow mounds (whether in a line along a roadway or in piles on parking lots, etc.), and (2) the melting process.

It is also important to consider what happens to snowmounds as they melt and evaporate, which can alter the pollutant concentration in the resulting runoff. In addition, pollutants from the surrounding

air and pavement can build up on snow mound surfaces in a crust or cake-like manner eventually leaving a residue (including previously dissolved solids that become a remaining solids residue) which is later left to be washed off by rainfall, manual flushing or other mechanisms.

The sampling of snow mounds, undisturbed snow itself, and hard pack requires a carefully thought out strategy. Given the complexities associated with snowmelt sampling, applicants should have proposed sampling strategies reviewed by the permitting authority before attempting to conduct sampling.

2.7.4 LOGISTICAL PROBLEMS WITH WHEN TO SAMPLE

Applicants may encounter weather conditions that may not meet minimum "representative" storm criteria; these conditions may prevent adequate collection of storm water samples prior to application submission deadlines. For instance, sampling may be problematic in parts of the country that experience drought or near-drought conditions or areas that are under adverse weather conditions such as freezing and flooding. Events with false starts and events with stop/start rains can also cause problems. Solutions for sampling under these circumstances are discussed below.

Where the timing of storm event sampling poses a problem, it may be appropriate for the applicant to petition the permitting authority for a sampling protocol/procedure modification either prior to sampling or after sampling is conducted (if the storm event is not acceptable). When the applicant requests a sampling protocol/procedure modification, a narrative justification should be attached. This justification should be certified by a corporate official (for industrial facilities) or the principle executive officer or ranking official (for municipalities), as per 40 CFR 122.22. Section 5.1 of Chapter 5 discusses protocol/procedure modifications.

<u>Arid Areas</u>

For arid or drought-stricken areas where a storm event does not occur prior to the time the applicant must sample and submit data with the application form, the applicant should submit the application, complete to the extent possible, with a detailed explanation of why sampling data are not provided and an appraisal of when sampling will be conducted. This explanation must be certified by the appropriate party (as described above). The applicant should also contact the permitting authority

for further direction. Where the applicant can anticipate such problems, approval for an extension to submit sampling data should be acquired prior to the deadline.

Adverse Weather Conditions

The applicant should never conduct storm water sampling during unsafe conditions. It is likely that, in areas that experience flooding, lightening storms, high winds, etc., another representative storm event will occur for which sampling conditions will be much safer. (For further information on safety issues, see Chapter 6.) If no other storm event occurs, the applicant should submit a justification as to why the event was not sampled. This information should be certified by the appropriate official.

False Starts and Stop/Start Rains

False start and stop/start rains can also cause problems. False starts may occur when weather conditions are unpredictable and it appears that a storm event may be representative, collection begins, and then the rain stops before an adequate sample volume is obtained. (Necessary sample volumes are discussed in Section 3.6.) Some latitude may be given for the 0.1-inch rainfall requirement as long as the sample volume is adequate; the permitting authority may accept the results with applicant justification and certification. Again, see Chapter 5 for information on requesting protocol/procedure modifications to storm water sampling requirements.

During stop/start rains (those in which rainfall is intermittent), samples should be taken until an adequate sample volume is obtained. Exhibit 2-10 summarizes logistical problems of storm water sampling and presents solutions to the problems identified.

2.7.5 WHEN INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES MUST SAMPLE

Industrial applicants must generally collect two types of storm water samples: (1) grab samples collected during the first 30 minutes of discharge; and (2) flow-weighted composite samples collected during the first 3 hours of discharge (or the entire discharge, if it is less than 3 hours). Information from both types of samples is critical to fully evaluate the types and concentrations of pollutants present in the storm water discharge.

EXHIBIT 2-10. LOGISTICAL PROBLEMS OF STORM WATER SAMPLING	
Problem:	Arid/drought areas
Solution:	Submit a petition requesting a modification to the protocol if problems are anticipated and, if it is approved, submit the application without sampling data by the application due date with a certified explanation. Provide sampling data to the permitting authority as soon as possible.
Problem:	Adverse weather conditions such as freezing, flooding, winds, tornadoes, electrical storms, and gully washes
Solution:	Sample another, less hazardous event or submit a certified justification of why the event was not sampled. Provide sampling data to the permitting authority as soon as possible.
Problem:	False starts
Solution:	Discard the sample if the volume is inadequate. If the volume is adequate, submit the sampling data with a certified explanation that the sample is from a non-representative event. Continue to monitor weather conditions and attempt to resample as soon as possible.
Problem:	Stop/start rains
Solution:	Continue to sample in case the storm event turns out to be representative and adequate sample volumes are obtained. If sample volumes are inadequate, continue to monitor weather conditions and attempt to resample as soon as possible.

The grab samples taken during the first 30 minutes of a storm event will generally contain higher concentrations of pollutants, since they pick up pollutants that have accumulated on drainage surfaces since the last storm event.

Composite samples characterize the average quality of the entire storm water discharge. Flow-weighted composite samples provide for the most accurate determination of mass load. The flow-weighted composite sample must be taken for either the first 3 hours or for the entire discharge (if the event is less than 3 hours long). Additional information on how to collect grab and composite samples is presented in Sections 3.3 and 3.4, respectively.

Industrial applicants are required at a minimum to sample only one storm event. However, if samples from more than one storm are analyzed and the results are representative of the discharge, the data representing each event must be reported. The facility must provide a description of each storm event tested. The average of all values within the last year must be determined and the

concentration, mass, and total number of storm events sampled must be reported on Form 2F. Furthermore, sampling should be conducted during normal operating procedures (day or night), and, not when the facility has been closed for a period of time.

Industrial applicants must certify, as a separate requirement, that all outfalls have been tested or evaluated to determine whether non-storm water discharges are present (e.g., process wastewater, sanitary wastes, cooling water, or rinse water) or whether illegal/illicit connections are occurring in the system. This testing should be conducted during dry weather to avoid any flows of storm water through the conveyance.

A checklist that can be used to conduct dry weather evaluations is provided in Exhibit 2-11. A narrative description of the method used to conduct dry weather evaluations and the date and the drainage points must be included in Section V.A of Form 2F. This statement must be certified by the appropriate party as described in Section 2.7.4.

A dry weather visual inspection is the simplest way to screen for illicit discharges. If one or more of the items on the checklist in Exhibit 2-11 are answered affirmatively, or if there are other reasons to believe that illicit connections exist, more detailed investigations (such as dye tests, smoke tests, evaluation of piping designs, and TV line monitoring) may be necessary. Dye testing involves releasing fluorescent, nontoxic dye into the suspected source of non-storm water, (e.g., a drain, sink, toilet, or pipe) and checking to see whether the dye shows up in the storm water outfall. Smoke testing involves pumping smoke into a storm sewer and viewing the facility to see if smoke escapes through unknown openings or storm sewer inlets. The presence of smoke indicates that storm water may enter the sewer through these openings or inlets. However, smoke testing may prove ineffective at finding non-storm water discharges to separate storm sewers. Smoke passage may be blocked due to line traps that are intended to block sewer gas.

TV line monitoring is a technique whereby a small video camera is placed in the storm sewer and a video image of the sewer is viewed on a monitor at the surface to identify illicit connections. The camera can be moved through the sewer by remote control. For more information on smoke and dye testing and TV line monitoring, consult EPA's Guidance Manual for the Preparation of NPDES

EXHIBIT 2-11. CHECKLIST FOR CONDUCTING DRY WEATHER EVALUATIONS

1. Date of inspection:_____
2. Facility name and address:_____
3. Date of last rain event:_____
4. Inspector name:_____
5. Type of outfall

☐ Concrete ☐ Pipe ☐ Grassed ☐ Rock ☐ Other _____

6. Is there visible flow from the pipe? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, check all that apply. If no, go to number 7.

☐ Colored water (describe)_____
☐ Odor* (describe)_____
☐ Murky
☐ Floating objects (describe)_____
☐ Absence of plant life surrounding conveyance
☐ Scum
☐ Oily sheen
☐ Sludge present
☐ Clear water
☐ Stains on conveyance
☐ Notable difference in plant life surrounding conveyance
☐ Suds ☐ Other:_____

*e.g., rotten eggs, earthy, chemical, chlorine, soap, putrescence, gasoline, musty, etc.

Estimate the flow either visually or by describing the width, height, and shape of the conveyance and the approximate percentage of the conveyance where flow is present or the approximate depth of the flow. Describe your estimate.

7. Is there standing water present? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, check all that apply. If no, go to number 8.

☐ Colored water (describe)_____
☐ Odor* (describe)_____
☐ Murky
☐ Floating objects (describe)_____
☐ Absence of plant life surrounding conveyance
☐ Suds
☐ Oily sheen
☐ Sludge present
☐ Clear water
☐ Stains on conveyance
☐ Notable difference in plant life surrounding conveyance
☐ Scum ☐ Other:_____
☐ Absence of plant life surrounding conveyance

*e.g., rotten eggs, earthy, chemical, chlorine, soap, putrescence, gasoline, musty, etc.

8. From the inspection locations, can you see any unusual piping or ditches that drain to the storm water conveyance? ☐ Yes ☐ No
9. Is there any overland flow visible from the discharge location? ☐ Yes ☐ No
10. Are there dead animals present? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Signature:

Permit Applications for Storm Water Discharges Associated with Industrial Activity (EPA-505/8-91-002, April 1991).

A problem with the dry weather evaluation process is that the presence of a dry weather/non-storm water discharge may be caused by infiltration of ground or surface waters through cracks in the storm water drainage system. In this situation, all other possible sources of the non-storm water discharge should be examined and ruled out. If no sources are found, the physical structure of the conveyance system should be inspected for deterioration.

The applicant should make every attempt to halt non-storm water discharges to the storm sewer system unless the discharge is covered by an NPDES permit. If it is not feasible to halt the discharge of non-storm water to the storm sewer system, and the discharge is not authorized by a process wastewater or storm water permit, the applicant must submit either Form 2C (for a process water discharge) or Form 2E (for a nonprocess water discharge), and check with state officials to see if alternate forms are required.

2.7.6 WHEN MUNICIPAL FACILITIES MUST SAMPLE

Municipal applicants are required to conduct sampling for both Parts 1 and 2 of their applications. In Part 1, municipalities must conduct a field screening analysis to detect illicit connections and illegal dumping into their storm sewer system. Where flow is observed during dry weather, two grab samples must be collected during a 24-hour period with a minimum of 4 hours between samples. These samples must be analyzed for pH, total chlorine, total copper, total phenol, and detergents (surfactants). Note that these are dry weather samples, rather than storm water samples. EPA's Guidance Manual for the Preparation of Part 1 of the NPDES Permit Applications for Discharges from Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems presents a description of conducting field screening sampling and provides a data sheet.

For Part 2 of the application, municipalities must submit grab (for certain pollutants) and flow-weighted sampling data from selected sites (5 to 10 outfalls) for 3 representative storm events at least 1 month apart. The flow-weighted composite sample must be taken for either the entire discharge or the first 3 hours (if the event lasts longer than 3 hours). Municipal facilities are not required to collect grab samples within the first 30 minutes of a storm event.

In addition to submitting quantitative data for the application, municipalities must also develop programs for future sampling activities that specify sampling locations, frequency, pollutants to be analyzed, and sampling equipment. Where necessary (as determined by the municipality or if required by the permitting authority), responsibilities may also include monitoring industries connected to the municipality's storm sewers for compliance with their facility-specific NPDES permits. Refer to EPA's Guidance Manual for the Preparation of Part 1 of the NPDES Permit Applications for Discharges from Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems for information on how to develop municipal sampling programs.

2.7.7 USE OF HISTORICAL DATA

Data from storm water samples analyzed in the past can be submitted with applications in lieu of new sampling data if:

- All data requirements in Form 2F are met
- Sampling was performed no longer than 3 years prior to submission of the permit application
- All water quality data are representative of the present discharge.

The historical data may be unacceptable if there have been significant changes since the time of that storm event in production level, raw materials, processes, or final products. Significant changes which may also impact storm water runoff include construction or installation of treatment or sedimentation/erosion control devices, buildings, roadways, or parking lots. Applicants should assess any such changes to determine whether they altered storm water runoff since the time of the storm event chosen for use in the permit application. Historical data can be used only in applications. Historical data cannot be used for fulfilling permit requirements.

2.8 WHERE TO SAMPLE STORM WATER DISCHARGES

Storm water samples should be taken at a storm water point source. A "point source" is defined as any discernible, confined, and discrete conveyance, including (but not limited to) any pipe, ditch, channel, tunnel, conduit, well, discrete fissure, container, rolling stock, concentrated animal feeding operation, landfill leachate collection system, vessel, or other floating craft from which pollutants are or may be discharged (as per 40 CFR 122.2). Included in the definition of storm water "point

sources" is storm water from an industrial facility that enters, and is discharged through, a municipal separate storm sewer. In short, most storm water discharges can be defined as "point source" discharges, since they ultimately flow into some kind of conveyance (e.g., a channel or swale).

2.8.1 INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES

Industrial applicants submitting individual applications must collect and analyze a grab sample taken within the first 30 minutes of the storm event and flow-weighted composite samples from each of the industrial storm water "point source" outfalls identified on the site drainage map submitted for Section III of Form 2F. Applicants submitting quantitative data for Part 2 of the group application must also collect samples for each outfall discharging storm water associated with industrial activity. All outfalls should be sampled during the same representative storm event if possible. If this is not feasible, outfalls may be sampled during different representative storm events upon approval by the permitting authority. Descriptions of each storm event and which outfalls were sampled during each event must be included in the application. Storm water runoff from employee parking lots, administration buildings, and landscaped areas that is not mixed with storm water associated with industrial activity, or storm water discharges to municipal sanitary sewers, do not need to be sampled.

Outfalls With Substantially Identical Effluents—Industrial Facilities

If an applicant has two or more outfalls with "substantially identical effluents," the facility may petition the permitting authority to sample and analyze only one of the identical outfalls and submit the results as representative of the other. "Substantially identical effluents" are defined as discharges from drainage areas undergoing similar activities where the discharges are expected to be of similar quantity and quality, and indistinguishable in expected composition. Chapter 5 presents an example of a petition for substantially identical effluents and discusses this process in more detail.

2.8.2 MUNICIPALITIES

Large and medium municipalities are required to sample storm water discharges from 5 to 10 outfalls or field screening points that were proposed in Part 1 of the application. The final decision on the number and location of sampling points will be determined by the permitting authority and will

depend on site-specific conditions such as land use or drainage area and results of data collected during the field screening analysis process for Part 1 of the application.

2.8.3 LOGISTICS OF WHERE TO SAMPLE

The ideal sampling location would be the lowest point in the drainage area where a conveyance discharges storm water to waters of the U.S. or to a municipal separate storm sewer system. A sample point also should be easily accessible on foot in a location that will not cause hazardous sampling conditions. Ideally, the sampling site should be on the applicant's property or within the municipality's easement; if not, the field personnel should obtain permission from the owner of the property where the discharge outfall is located. Typical sampling locations may include the discharge at the end of a pipe, a ditch, or a channel.

However, logistical problems with sample locations may arise (e.g., nonpoint discharges, inaccessibility of discharge point, etc.). Logistical problems with sample locations and suggested solutions are described in Exhibit 2-12. In many cases, it may be necessary to locate a sampling point further upstream of the discharge point (e.g., in a manhole or inlet). If the storm water at a selected location is not representative of a facility's total runoff, the facility may have to sample at several locations to best characterize the total runoff from the site. In situations where discharge points are difficult to sample for various reasons, the applicant should take the best sample possible and explain the conditions in the application. A discussion on sampling at retention ponds appears in Section 3.1.2.

2.9 STAFFING CONSIDERATIONS

Staffing needs for sampling must be determined by the applicant. Factors in making the determination include the number of sample locations, the size of the area to be sampled, how far apart the locations are, the type of sampling required, the technique to be used, the number of samples to be taken (depending on how many parameters must be analyzed), and safety considerations.

Training sampling personnel is important to the success of storm water discharge characterization. Training can be done using this manual. Sampling conducted by untrained personnel may result in

EXHIBIT 2-12. SOLUTIONS TO SAMPLE LOCATION PROBLEMS	
Problem:	Sampling where storm water commingles with process or non-process water
Solution:	Attempt to sample the storm water discharge before it mixes with the non-storm water discharge. If this is impossible, sample the discharge both during dry and wet weather and present both sets of data to the permitting authority. This will provide an indication of the contribution of pollutants from each source.
Problem:	Numerous small point discharges
Solution:	Impound channel or join together flow by building a weir or digging a ditch to collect discharge at a low point for sampling purposes. This artificial collection point should be lined with plastic to prevent infiltration and/or high levels of sediment. Or, sample at several locations to represent total site runoff.
Problem:	Inaccessible discharge point [examples include underwater discharges or unreachable discharges (e.g., out of a cliff)]
Solution:	Go up the pipe to sample (i.e., to the nearest manhole or inspection point). If these are not available, tap into the pipe or sample at several locations to best represent total site runoff.
Problem:	Managing multiple sampling sites to collect grab samples during the first 30 minutes (industrial facilities only)
Solution:	Have a sampling crew ready for mobilization when forecasts indicate that a representative storm will occur or sample several different representative events. Also, for most parameters, automatic samplers may be used to collect samples within the first 30 minutes triggered by the amount of rainfall, the depth of flow, flow volume or time.
Problem:	Commingling of parking lot runoff with discharge associated with industrial activity
Solution:	The combined runoff must be sampled at the discharge point as near as possible to the receiving water or the parking lot drain inlet if there is one.
Problem:	Sampling in manholes
Solution:	Sample in manholes only when necessary. See Chapter 6 for safety information Sampling in manholes requires training on confined space entry.
Problem:	Runon from other property
Solution:	If possible, estimate the volume of offsite runon contributions and offsite runon sources of pollutants to perform a mass balance calculation. Include this information in the permit application. If this estimation is not possible, provide a narrative discussion of the upstream site (e.g., is it developed, if so the type of facility, the types of pollutants that may be present on the site, etc.).

data that is unrepresentative of the facility's storm water discharge. This data might be rejected by the permitting authority, who would then require another sampling effort.

3. FUNDAMENTALS OF SAMPLING

Because of the variable nature of storm water flows during a rainfall event and different analytical considerations for certain pollutants, the storm water regulations establish specific requirements for sample collection techniques. The quality of storm water discharges and logistical needs for sampling will be different for industrial applicants and municipal applicants. Therefore, specific sampling requirements vary. After a brief review of sampling fundamentals and special sampling requirements for storm water permit applications, the following sections are intended to teach applicants how to sample to meet these requirements.

The applicant should carefully plan his/her sampling strategy prior to the actual sampling event, e.g., walk the site to determine appropriate sampling locations, become familiarized with local rainfall patterns, train sampling staff in procedures and safety, consult with laboratory, and collect supplies.

3.1 TYPES AND TECHNIQUES OF SAMPLING

There are three basic aspects of sampling:

- Sample type (i.e., grab versus composite)
- Sample technique (i.e., manual versus automatic)
- Flow measurement methods.

These topics will be discussed in relation to requirements of an NPDES storm water discharge permit application. Once these aspects are addressed, step-by-step instructions on sampling procedures are presented. The sections below define and describe the types of storm water samples that must be collected and methods or techniques for collecting them. In addition, special sampling requirements for certain pollutants are discussed.

3.1.1 SAMPLE TYPE VERSUS SAMPLE TECHNIQUE

It is important to understand the difference between sample type and technique. "Sample type" refers to the kind of sample that must be collected -- either a grab or a composite. "Sample technique" refers to the method by which a grab or composite sample is actually collected -- either manually or by automatic sampler. A generalized relationship between sample type and sample technique is presented in Exhibit 3-1. Sections 3.1.2 and 3.1.3 further explain the significance of these terms as they relate to storm water sampling requirements.

EXHIBIT 3-1. SAMPLE TYPE vs. SAMPLE TECHNIQUE

Sample Type	Sample Technique
Grab	Manual Automatic sampling system
Composite	Manual with manual compositing Automatic system or automatic sampling with manual compositing

3.1.2 SAMPLE TYPE: GRAB AND COMPOSITE SAMPLES

To comply with storm water application requirements, the sample type (grab or composite) must be collected in accordance with 40 CFR 122.21(g)(7) and 40 CFR Part 136. The storm water application requirements clearly specify which pollutants must be analyzed by grab sample, and which by composite sample. Although the requirements in 40 CFR 122.21(g)(7) do not explicitly specify either manual or automatic sampling techniques, the approved analytical methods contained in 40 CFR Part 136 direct that grab samples must be collected manually for certain pollutants. Sections 3.3 and 3.4 clarify which pollutants must be grabbed, which ones must be grabbed manually, and which ones must be flow-weighted composites.

The two types of storm water samples required by the regulations, grab and composite samples, are described below.

Grab Samples

A grab sample is a discrete, individual sample taken within a short period of time (usually less than 15 minutes). Analysis of grab samples characterizes the quality of a storm water discharge at a given time of the discharge.

Composite Samples

A composite sample is a mixed or combined sample that is formed by combining a series of individual and discrete samples of specific volumes at specified intervals. Although these intervals can be time-weighted or flow-weighted, the storm water regulations require the collection of flow-weighted composite samples. This means that discrete aliquots, or samples, are collected and combined in proportion to flow rather than time. Composite samples characterize the quality of a storm water discharge over a longer period of time, such as the duration of a storm event.

Application Requirements

Both types of samples must be collected and analyzed for storm water discharge permit applications. Grab samples must be collected for the following conditions:

- For storm water discharges associated with industrial activity, a grab sample must be obtained during the first 30 minutes of a discharge. This requirement is in addition to the composite sampling requirements. These samples are intended to characterize the maximum concentration of a pollutant that may occur in the discharge and/or may indicate intermingling of non-storm water discharges.

- For storm water discharges from large and medium municipal separate storm sewers, grab samples are required for Part 1 of the application if a discharge is noted during dry weather field screening. Two grab samples must be collected during a 24-hour period with a minimum of 4 hours between samples. These samples are intended to assist in the identification of illicit connections or illegal dumping. In Part 2, grab samples may be required for the analysis of certain pollutants for which municipalities are required to sample.

Flow-weighted composite samples must be collected during the first 3 hours of discharge or the entire discharge (if it is less than 3 hours) for both industrial and municipal applicants.

Pollutant-specific Requirements

The regulations at 40 CFR 122.21(g)(7) identify certain pollutants for which grab sampling is required:

- Monitoring by grab sample must be conducted for pH, temperature, cyanide, total phenols, residual chlorine, oil and grease (O&G), fecal coliform, and fecal streptococcus. Composite samples are not appropriate for these parameters due to their tendency to transform to different substances or change in concentration after a short period of time. Such transformations may be particularly likely in the presence of other reactive pollutants.

Sampling At Retention Ponds

Retention ponds with greater than a 24-hour holding time for a representative storm event may be sampled by grab sample. Composite sampling is not necessary. The rationale for this is that, because the water is held for at least 24 hours, a thorough mixing occurs within the pond. Therefore, a single grab sample of the effluent from the discharge point of the pond accurately represents a composite of the storm water contained in the pond. If the pond does not thoroughly mix the discharge, thereby compositing the sample, then a regular grab and composite sample should be taken at the inflow to the pond. Since each pond may vary in its capability to "composite" a sample, applicants must carefully evaluate whether the pond is thoroughly mixing the discharge. Such factors as pond design and maintenance are important in making this evaluation. Poor pond design, for example, where the outfall and inflow points are too closely situated, may cause short-circuiting and inadequate mixing. In addition, poor maintenance may lead to excessive re-suspension of any deposited silt and sediment during heavy inflows. Because of factors such as these, the applicant should determine the best location to sample the pond (e.g., at the outfall, at the outfall structure, in the pond) to ensure that a representative composite sample is taken. If adequate compositing is not occurring within the pond, the applicant should conduct routine grab and flow-weighted composite sampling.

A grab sample and a flow-weighted sample must be taken for storm water discharges collected in holding ponds with less than a 24-hour retention period. The applicant must sample the discharge in the same manner as for any storm water discharge [as described in 40 CFR 122.21(g)(7)]. In

effect, the applicant must take one grab sample within the first 30 minutes of discharge, or as soon as possible. The applicant must also collect a flow-weighted composite sample for at least the first 3 hours of the discharge, or for the event's entire duration (if it is less than 3 hours). The flow-weighted composite sample may be taken using a continuous sampler or as a combination of at least three sample aliquots taken during each hour of the discharge, with a minimum of 15 minutes between each aliquot. If the applicant does not know what retention period the pond is designed for, the design engineer of the pond should be consulted.

3.1.3 SAMPLE TECHNIQUE: MANUAL VERSUS AUTOMATIC SAMPLING

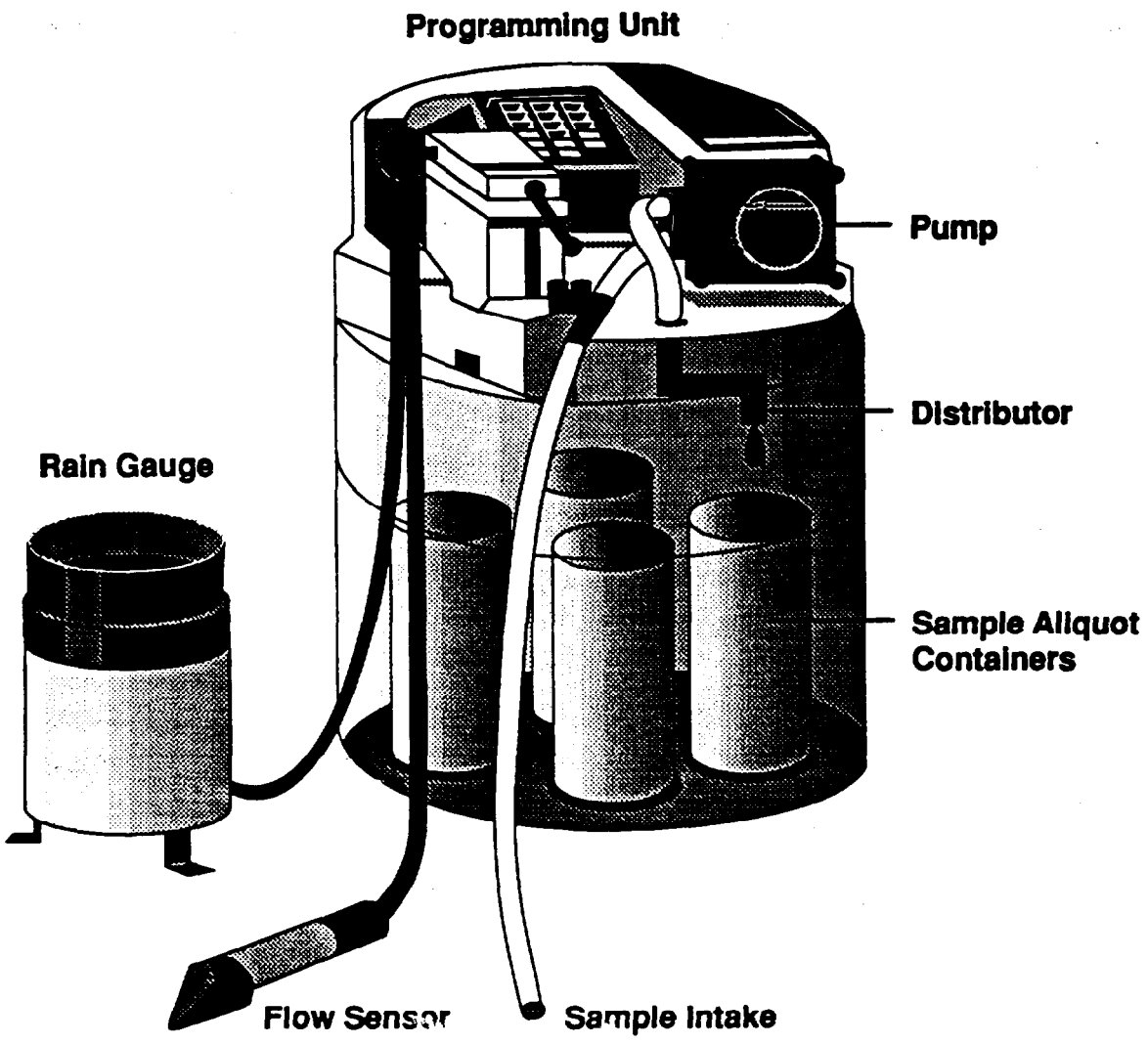
As previously discussed, manual and automatic sampling techniques are methods by which both grab and composite samples can be collected. Manual samples are simply samples collected by hand. Automatic samplers are powered devices that collect samples according to preprogrammed criteria. A typical automatic sampler configuration is shown in Exhibit 3-2.

For most pollutants, either manual or automatic sample collection will conform with 40 CFR Part 136. However, one case in which automatic samplers cannot be used is for the collection of volatile organic compound (VOC) samples because VOCs will likely volatilize as a result of agitation during automatic sampler collection. Samples collected for VOC analysis should be filled until a reverse meniscus is found over the top of the collection bottle and capped immediately to leave no air space. Automatic samplers do not perform this function. Special requirements for VOC sampling are discussed in Section 3.5.2.

Although both collection techniques are available, several other pollutants may not be amenable to collection by an automatic sampler, for example fecal streptococcus, fecal coliform and chlorine have very short holding times (i.e., 6 hours), pH and temperature need to be analyzed immediately and oil and grease requires teflon coated equipment to prevent adherence to the sampling equipment.

Other restrictions on sample collection techniques (such as container type and preservation) should be determined by consulting the approved analytical methods listed in 40 CFR Part 136. Section 3.5 and Technical Appendix C provide additional information on sample handling, holding times, and preservation methods.

EXHIBIT 3-2. AUTOMATIC SAMPLER



Manual and automatic techniques have advantages and disadvantages that the applicant should consider in relation to the sampling program. The main advantage of manual sampling is that it can be less costly than purchasing or renting automatic samplers. Automatic samplers, however, can be often more convenient. Exhibit 3-3 presents a matrix of advantages and disadvantages associated with each technique. Ultimately, the best technique to use will depend on each applicant's situation.

3.2 OBTAINING FLOW DATA

In addition to collecting samples of storm water discharges, applicants must collect data characterizing the flow rate and flow volume for each storm water discharge sampled. Flow rate is the quantity of storm water discharged from an outfall per unit of time. Total flow is a measure of the total volume of storm water runoff discharged during a rain event. Flow rates and volumes can either be measured specifically or can be estimated (based on rainfall measurements, velocities, and depth of flows). To collect flow-weighted composite samples, flow rate data is necessary to combine proportional volumes of individually collected aliquots. Applicants must also report the mass of pollutants contained in storm water discharges (see Section 3.2.5). To determine mass loadings of pollutants, applicants must measure both discharge flow rate and pollutant concentration. This section presents methods for obtaining flow data.

3.2.1 MEASURING FLOW RATES

Flow rates for storm water discharges are most accurately measured using either primary or secondary flow measurement devices. Facilities should use these devices to characterize their discharge as precisely as possible. Where flow measurement devices are not already installed, portable devices should be considered. There are many permanent and portable types of flow measurement devices available. This discussion is limited to the most common flow measurement devices. To purchase flow measurement devices and rain gauges, pertinent engineering journals can be consulted for equipment vendor listings. Proper analysis of site discharge conditions must be conducted prior to purchase and installment of flow measurement devices.

Primary Flow Measurement Devices

A primary flow measurement device is a man-made flow control structure which, when inserted into an open channel, creates a geometric relationship between the depth of the flow and the rate of the

EXHIBIT 3-3. COMPARISON OF MANUAL AND AUTOMATIC SAMPLING TECHNIQUES

Sample Method	Advantages	Disadvantages
Manual Grabs	• Appropriate for all pollutants • Minimum equipment required	• Labor-intensive • Environment possibly dangerous to field personnel • May be difficult to get personnel and equipment to the storm water outfall within the 30 minute requirement • Possible human error
Manual Flow-Weighted Composites (multiple grabs)	• Appropriate for all pollutants • Minimum equipment required	• Labor-intensive • Environment possibly dangerous to field personnel • Human error may have significant impact on sample representativeness • Requires flow measurements taken during sampling
Automatic Grabs	• Minimizes labor requirements • Low risk of human error • Reduced personnel exposure to unsafe conditions • Sampling may be triggered remotely or initiated according to present conditions	• Samples collected for O&G may not be representative • Automatic samplers cannot properly collect samples for VOCs analysis • Costly if numerous sampling sites require the purchase of equipment • Requires equipment installation and maintenance • Requires operator training • May not be appropriate for pH and temperature • May not be appropriate for parameters with short holding times (e.g., fecal streptococcus, fecal coliform, chlorine) • Cross-contamination of aliquot if tubing/bottles not washed
Automatic Flow-Weighted Composites	• Minimizes labor requirements • Low risk of human error • Reduced personnel exposure to unsafe conditions • May eliminate the need for manual compositing of aliquots • Sampling may be triggered remotely or initiated according to on-site conditions	• Not acceptable for VOCs sampling • Costly if numerous sampling sites require the purchase of equipment • Requires equipment installation and maintenance, may malfunction • Requires initial operator training • Requires accurate flow measurement equipment tied to sampler • Cross-contamination of aliquot if tubing/bottles not washed

flow. The depth of the flow, referred to as the head (H), can then be measured at the respective reference point/area with a ruler or other staff gauge. When substituted into a formula, which mathematically describes the relationship between depth and discharge for the primary devices, the head measurement can be used to calculate a flow rate (Q). The most common primary flow measurement devices are weirs and flumes. Weirs and flumes are flow structures designed to provide a known, repeatable relationship between flow and depth.

Weirs

Weirs consist of a crest located across the width of an open channel (at a right angle to the direction of the flow). The flow of water is impeded, causing water to overflow the crest. Diagrams and formulas of some typically found weirs are provided in Exhibit 3-4. Weirs are inexpensive and particularly valuable in measuring flow in natural or man-made swales because they are easily installed in irregularly shaped channels.

Weirs can only provide accurate flow measurements when head measurements are appropriately taken. When flow exceeds the capacity of the weir and water overtops the weir crest, flow depth actually diminishes as the water approaches the weir, as shown in Exhibit 3-5. Therefore, measuring the depth at the weir crest will result in an inaccurate measurement of the actual head. Under these circumstances, the head should be measured upstream, at a point determined by the type of weir and the estimated amount of flow. A staff gauge can be installed at a nonturbulent point upstream of the weir crest to provide accurate and convenient measurements.

Flumes

Flumes are structures which force water through a narrow channel. They consist of a converging section, a throat, and a diverging section. Exhibit 3-6 portrays the most common type of flume, the Parshall flume, and also provides formulas for calculating appropriate flow rates.

Parshall flumes have fixed specifications relating to geometric shape. They vary only in throat width. Due to these geometric constraints, Parshall flumes may be expensive to install. They are typically used in permanent flow measurement points and are most commonly placed in concrete-lined channels. However, Parshall flumes can also be used in temporary points. Parshall flumes provide accurate measurements for a relatively wide range of flow rates. The flow rate through the Parshall flume (see Exhibit 3-6) is calculated from the depth (H_a) of flow measured in the converging

EXHIBIT 3-4. WEIRS

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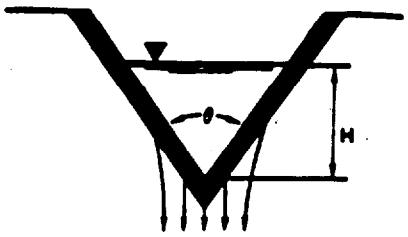


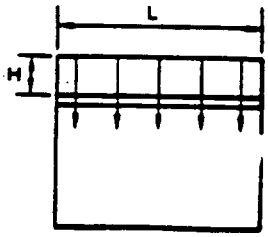
$Q = 2.5\ H^{2.5}$ (90°)
$Q = 1.443\ H^{2.5}$ (60°)
$Q = 1.035\ H^{2.5}$ (45°)
$Q = 0.676\ H^{2.5}$ (30°)
$Q = 0.497\ H^{2.5}$ (22½°)

Q = Flow Rate

H = Depth of flow (Head)

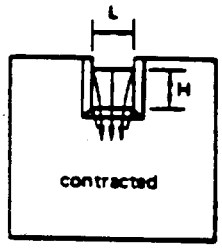
Rectangular (without contractions)

$Q = 3.33\ L\ H^{1.5}$



Rectangular (with contractions)

$Q = 3.33\ (L - 0.2\ H)^{1.5}$



Cipolleti (trapezoidal)

$Q = 3.367\ b\ H^{1.5}$

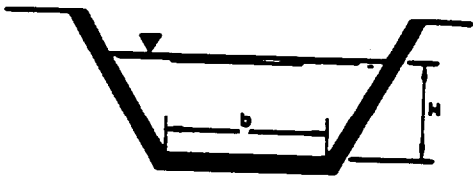


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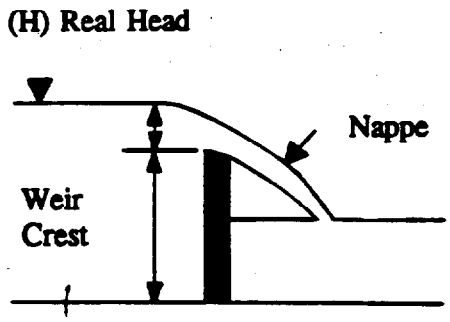
EXHIBIT 3-5. SUPPRESSED FLOW OVER THE WEIR CREST



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section of the flume. The exact location of the depth measurement depends on the specific design of the Parshall flume. Exhibit 3-6 indicates the equations used to calculate flow rate through a typical Parshall flume. These equations are accurate only when the submergence ratio (H_b/H_a) is greater than 0.7. The manufacturers' information should be consulted for the flow rate equation and measuring points for a specific Parshall flume.

Palmer-Bowlus flumes, shown in Exhibit 3-7, are also used at some facilities. Palmer-Bowlus flumes are designed to be installed in an existing circular channel (such as a manhole channel) and are available as portable measurement devices. While Palmer-Bowlus flumes are inexpensive, self cleaning, and easy to install, they can only measure flow rates accurately over a narrow range of flow.

The flow from a Palmer-Bowlus flume is calculated using the height between the floor of the flume portion and the water level, not the total head of the water level. Head measurements are taken at

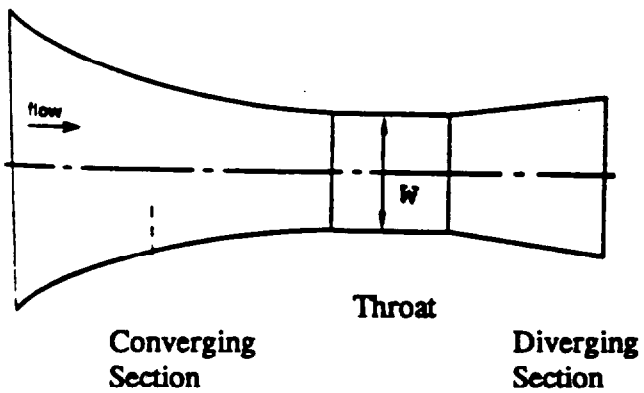
EXHIBIT 3-6. FLUMES

Parshall Flume

$Q = 0.338\ H^{1.55}$	(1 inch)
$Q = 0.676\ H^{1.55}$	(2 inches)
$Q = 0.992\ H^{1.547}$	(3 inches)
$Q = 2.09\ H^{1.58}$	(6 inches)
$Q = 3.07\ H^{1.53}$	(9 inches)
$Q = 4\ W\ H^{1.522}\ W^{0.26}$	(1-8 feet)
$Q = (3.6875\ W + 2.5)H^{1.6}$	(10-50 feet)

Q = Flow rate

H = Depth of flow (Head)



Top View

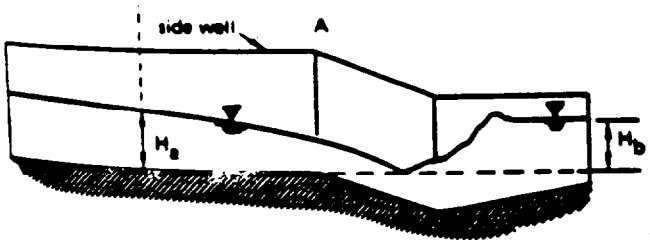


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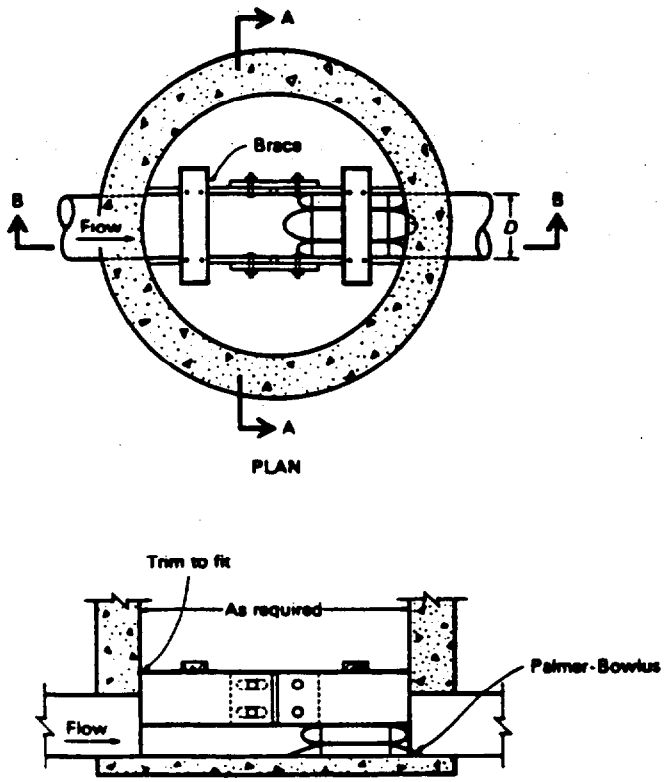
EXHIBIT 3-7. PALMER-BOWLUS FLUME



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a distance from the throat equal to one half the width of the flume. The dimensions of a Palmer-Bowlus flume have been standardized in a generic sense, but the flume shape may vary. Therefore, there are no formulas that can be applied to all Palmer-Bowlus flumes. Device-specific head-flow relationships for each device should be obtained from the manufacturer

There are a number of other, less common, flow measurement devices available which will not be discussed (see Appendix D for additional references).

Secondary Flow Measurement Devices

Secondary flow measurement devices are automated forms of flow rate and volume measurement. Typically, a secondary device is used in conjunction with a primary device to automatically measure the flow depth or head. This value is then processed, using established mathematical relationships to relate the depth measurement to a corresponding flow rate. The device also may have the capacity to convert this flow rate to a volume. Secondary flow measurement devices include floats, ultrasonic transducers, pressure transducers, and bubblers. The output of the secondary device is transmitted to a display, recorder, and/or totalizer to provide flow rate and volume information. The user manuals for these devices should be consulted for proper usage.

Evaluation of Flow Measurement Devices

To ensure accurate results, facilities should evaluate, via visual observation and routine checks, the design, installation, and operation of flow measurement devices. When evaluating design, select a device which:

- Is accurate over the entire range of expected flow rates
- Can be installed in the channel to be monitored
- Is appropriate to the sampling location (i.e., power setup, submersible, etc.).

When evaluating the installation of flow measurement devices, ensure that:

- There are no leaks and/or bypasses of flow around the measuring device
- The primary device is level and squarely installed
- The secondary device is calibrated.

When evaluating the operation of flow measurement devices, look for:

- Excessive flows which submerge the measuring device
- Flows outside the accuracy range of the device
- Leaks and/or bypasses around the measuring device

- Turbulent flow through the measuring device
- Corrosion, scaling, or solids accumulation within the measuring device
- Obstructions to the measuring device
- Use of the correct factor or formula to convert head readings to actual flow rate.

Other than ensuring appropriate design and installation, accuracy checks are difficult to accomplish for primary flow measurement devices. Secondary flow measurement devices, on the other hand, may require evaluation of design, installation, and calibration. Applicants should examine the secondary recording devices and their readouts after installation to ensure that they are operating properly. Unusual fluctuations or breaks in flow indicate operational or design flaws.

3.2.2 ESTIMATING FLOW RATES

There are a variety of techniques for estimating flow rates. These methods are not as accurate as the methods described in Section 3.2.1 above, but are suitable for those discharges where primary or secondary devices are not practical or economically feasible. Each of the following methods is suitable for certain types of flow situations, as indicated. For each, the procedure for collecting flow rate data will be given along with a sample calculation.

Float Methods

Float methods can be used for any discharge where the flow is exposed and/or easily accessible. It is particularly useful for overland flows, gutter flows, and open drain or channel flows. The flow rate is calculated in each of the float methods by estimating the velocity of the flow and the cross-sectional area of the discharge and using the standard flow rate equation:

$$\textit{Flow Rate (cfm)} = \textit{Velocity (ft/min)} \times \textit{Area (ft}^2\textit{)}$$

The velocity is estimated by measuring the time it takes a float to travel between two points (point A and point B) along the flow path. For most accurate results, the two points should be at least 5 feet apart. The cross-sectional area is estimated by measuring the depth of the water and the width of the flow, and multiplying the depth by the width. This assumes a uniform cross-section in the flow path and a geometric cross-section shape. The float method can also be used for any accessible pipe or ditch where the movement of the float can be traced downstream for at least 5 feet. Subsurface storm water flows can be measured with the float method where there are two accessible manholes.

If the flow is overland, the water will need to be directed into a narrow channel or ditch so that the measurements can be taken. The initial preparation for this method requires that a shallow channel or ditch be dug that is 6 feet long or longer and 4 to 12 inches wide. The channel or ditch should be shallow enough to easily obtain flow depths but should be deep enough to carry the flow that will be diverted to it. Boards or other barriers should be placed on the ground above the channel (so that the flow is diverted into the channel) and along the edges of the channel or ditch (flush with the ground surface so that flow does not seep under them).

The procedure for measuring the flow rate by the float method involves measuring the length of the channel between chosen points A and B (which must be 5 feet apart or more). The depth of the water at point B, in the middle of the channel, must be determined, and the width of the water flow must be measured at point B. A float is then placed in the water and timed as it moves from point A to point B. Exhibit 3-8 provides an example of estimating the flow rate using the float method.

For runoff flows from many directions into a drain in a low or flat area where ponding is evident, the float method can also be used. The total flow rate is calculated by measuring flow rates for several points into the drain and adding these values together. Exhibit 3-9 provides an example of estimating the flow rate using the float method in this situation.

Bucket and Stopwatch Method

The bucket and stopwatch method of estimating flow rate is the easiest of all the flow rate estimation procedures. However, it can only be used under certain conditions. The flow or discharge to be measured must be flowing from a small pipe or ditch, and it must be free-flowing. In other words,

EXHIBIT 3-8. EXAMPLE CALCULATION OF FLOAT METHOD FOR UNIMPEDED OPEN CHANNEL FLOW

Step 1: When each sample or aliquot is taken, record the data for the time the sample was taken and the length between points A and B (at least 5 feet apart). See columns A, B, and C.

EXAMPLE DATA:

A	B	C	D	E	F	G
Sample Number	Time in Minutes	Distance Between Points A & B (feet)	Time of Travel (A to B) (min)	Depth of Water at Point B (feet)	Width of Flow at Point B (feet)	Calculated Flow Rate (cfm)
1	0	5.0	0.17	0.12	0.5	1.8
2	20	5.0	0.18	0.25	0.5	3.5
3	40	5.0	0.20	0.29	0.5	3.6
4	60	5.0	0.21	0.33	0.5	3.9
5	80	5.0	0.18	0.29	0.5	4.0
6	100	5.0	0.17	0.25	0.5	3.7
7	120	5.0	0.17	0.12	0.5	1.8
8	140	5.0	0.16	0.12	0.5	1.9
9	160	5.0	0.18	0.12	0.5	1.7

Step 2: Place a float in the water flow at point A and time it as it moves from point A to point B. Record the time in minutes. See column D.

Step 3: Measure the depth of the water and the width of the flow at point B. See columns E and F.

Step 4: Calculate the flow rate for each sample time using the common flow rate formula. See column G.

Formulas:

$$Velocity\ (V) = \frac{Length\ from\ A\ to\ B}{Time\ of\ Travel}$$

$$Area\ (A) = Water\ Depth \times Width\ of\ Flow$$

$$Flow\ Rate\ (Q) = (V) \times (A)$$

Example: For Sample 1

$$V = \frac{5.0\ ft}{0.17\ min} = 29.4\ ft/min$$

$$A = 0.12\ ft \times 0.5\ ft = 0.06\ ft^2$$

$$Q = 29.4\ ft/min \times 0.06\ ft^2 = 1.8\ cfm$$

EXHIBIT 3-9. EXAMPLE CALCULATION OF FLOAT METHOD FOR ESTIMATING DRAIN FLOW RATES

Step 1: When each sample or aliquot is taken, record the data for the time the sample was taken. Measure the outer perimeter or edge of the drain where the water flows in. See columns B and C.

Step 2: Designate three evenly spaced points surrounding the drain approximately 3 to 5 feet from the drain. These points will be referred to as points A, B, and C. Record the distance from each point to the edge of the drain. See column D.

EXAMPLE DATA: Assume the drain dimensions are 1 ft x 1 ft square, and flow surrounds drain.

A	B	C	D			E			F			G
Sample Number	Sample Time (min)	Drainage Perimeter (feet)	Distance of Point to Drain (feet)			Time of Travel to Drain (min)			Depth of Water (feet)			Calculated Flow Rate (cfm)
			Pt. A	Pt. B	Pt. C	Pt. A	Pt. B	Pt. C	Pt. A	Pt. B	Pt. C	
1	0	4	3	4	5	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.08	0.08	0.08	4 cfm
2	20	4	3	4	5	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.11	0.12	0.14	5 cfm
3	40	4	3	4	5	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.11	0.12	0.14	5 cfm
4	60	4	3	4	5	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.16	0.17	0.20	6 cfm
5	80	4	3	4	5	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.11	0.12	0.14	5 cfm
6	100	4	3	4	5	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.11	0.12	0.14	5 cfm
7	120	4	3	4	5	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.11	0.12	0.14	5 cfm
8	140	4	3	4	5	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.11	0.12	0.14	5 cfm
9	160	4	3	4	5	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.08	0.08	0.08	4 cfm

Step 3: Place a float at each of the three points and measure the time it takes to reach the drain. Record the times in minutes. See column E.

Step 4: Determine the depth of flow at each place where the float enters the drain from points A, B, and C. Record the depth in feet. See column F.

Step 5: Calculate the flow rate by adding the individual flow rates for points A, B, and C. Record the data in column G.

Formulas:

$$Velocity\ (V) = \frac{Distance\ of\ Point\ from\ Drain}{Time\ of\ Travel}$$

$$Area\ (A) = Water\ Depth \times Drainage\ Perimeter$$

$$Flow\ Rate\ (Q) = 1/n\Sigma A_n V_n \text{ where } n \text{ equals points A, B, and C}$$

Example: For Sample 1

$$V_A = \frac{3\ Feet}{0.2\ Min} = 15\ ft/min$$

$$A_A = 0.08\ ft \times 4\ ft = 0.32\ ft^2$$

EXHIBIT 3-9. EXAMPLE CALCULATION OF FLOAT METHOD FOR ESTIMATING DRAIN FLOW RATES (Continued)

$$Q_{(TOTAL)} = \frac{1}{3}(V_A A_A + V_B A_B + V_C A_C)$$

$$= \frac{1}{3}[(15\ ft/min)(0.32\ ft^2) + (13\ ft/min)(0.32\ ft^2) + (10\ ft/min)(0.32\ ft^2)]$$

$$= 4\ cfm$$

the pipe or ditch must be raised above the ground. Also, the flow must be small enough to be captured by a bucket or other suitable container without overflowing. If these conditions are not present, another method must be used. The procedure involves recording the time that each sample is taken, the time it takes for the container to be filled, and the volume of discharge collected. The flow rate is then calculated in gallons per minute (gpm) or in cubic feet per minute (cfm). The basis for the bucket and stopwatch method is the collection of a measured amount of flow over a measured amount of time to determine flow per unit of time (or flow rate) as per the formula below.

$$Flow\ Rate\ Q\ (gpm) = \frac{Volume\ of\ Bucket\ (gal)}{Time\ to\ Fill\ (sec)} \times \frac{60\ sec}{1\ min}$$

Exhibit 3-10 provides an example of estimating flow rates with the bucket and stopwatch method.

Slope and Depth Method

The slope and depth method is also a relatively easy method for estimating flow rates in pipes and ditches. This procedure requires that the slope of the pipe or ditch be known. A survey or engineering design data such as sewer or grading plans may provide the slope or grade of the pipe or ditch. In addition, the flow or effluent to be measured should not fully fill the pipe or ditch from which it is flowing. To measure the depth of the flow at the center of the pipe or ditch at the outfall, the outfall should be accessible. If these conditions are not present, another method should be used. The procedure involves recording the time that each sample is taken and measuring the depth of the flow in the middle of the pipe or ditch. If the flow is coming from a pipe, the inside diameter of the pipe should be recorded. If the effluent is coming from a ditch, the width of the flow in the ditch should be measured. Also, the modified slope of the ditch should be calculated. The flow rate is calculated in cfm using the same formulas for both pipes and ditches. Exhibit 3-11 provides an example of estimating the flow rate with the slope and depth method.

EXHIBIT 3-10. EXAMPLE CALCULATION OF BUCKET AND STOPWATCH METHOD FOR ESTIMATING FLOWS

Step 1: When each sample or aliquot is taken, record the data for the time the sample was taken. See column B.

EXAMPLE DATA:

A	B	C	D	E	F
Sample Number	Time (minutes)	Time to Fill Bucket (seconds)	Volume of Bucket (gallons)	Calculated Flow Rate (gpm)	Calculated Flow Rate in (cfm)
1	0	40.0	2.0	3.0	0.4
2	20	26.0	2.0	4.6	0.6
3	40	24.0	2.0	5.0	0.7
4	60	32.0	2.0	3.7	0.5
5	80	45.0	2.0	2.7	0.4
6	100	31.0	2.0	3.9	0.5
7	120	50.0	2.0	2.4	0.3
8	140	21.0	2.0	5.7	0.8
9	160	28.0	2.0	4.3	0.6

Step 2: Put a bucket beneath the flow, while measuring with a stopwatch the time it takes to fill the bucket to a certain level. If the water spills over the sides, the process must be redone. Record the time it took to fill the volume of water. See columns C and D.

Step 3: Calculate the flow rate in gpm and cfm.

Formulas:

$$\text{Flow Rate, } Q(gpm) = \frac{\text{Volume of bucket (gal)}}{\text{Time to fill (sec)}} \times \frac{60 \text{ sec}}{1 \text{ min}}$$

$$Q(cfm) = Q(gpm) \times 0.1337\ ft^3/gal$$

Example: For Sample 1

$$Q\ (gpm) = \frac{2\ gal}{40.0\ sec} \times \frac{60\ sec}{1\ min} = 3.0\ gpm$$

$$Q\ (cfm) = 3.0\ gpm \times 0.1337\ ft^3/gal = 0.4\ cfm$$

EXHIBIT 3-11. EXAMPLE CALCULATION OF SLOPE AND DEPTH METHOD FOR ESTIMATING FLOW RATES

Step 1: Obtain the pipe or ditch channel percent slope from engineering data. Determine the inside diameter if the flow is from a pipe.

EXAMPLE DATA: For purposes of this example, a ditch with a 2 percent slope is assumed.

Step 2: When each sample or aliquot is taken, record the data for the time the sample was taken. See column B.

EXAMPLE DATA:

A	B	C	D	E	F	G
Sample Number	Time (minutes)	Depth of Water (in)	Width of Flow (ditch only) (feet)	"M" Modified Slope (ditch only)	Calculated Flow Rate (cfm Pipe only)	Calculated Flow Rate (cfm ditch only)
1	0	3.6	2.2	3.7	-	246.1
2	20	6.0	3.2	3.2	-	713.6
3	40	7.2	4.0	3.3	-	1,237.3
4	60	8.4	4.2	3.0	-	1,532.9
5	80	7.2	4.0	3.3	-	1,237.3
6	100	6.0	3.2	3.2	-	713.6
7	120	6.0	3.0	3.0	-	624.2
8	140	6.0	2.9	2.9	-	581.8
9	160	4.6	2.5	3.3	-	374.1

Step 3: Measure the depth of the water in the center of the pipe or ditch. Record the data in feet. See column C.

Step 4: Measure the width of the flow only if the flow is in a ditch. Record the data in feet. See column D.

Step 5: Calculate the modified side slope only if the flow is in a ditch (leave column E blank if the flow is in a pipe).

Formula:

$$\textit{Modified slope (M)} = \frac{12.0\ in/ft \times flow\ width\ (ft)}{2.0 \times water\ depth\ (in)}$$

Example: Sample 1:

$$M = \frac{12.0\ in/ft \times 2.2\ ft}{2.0 \times 3.6\ in} = 3.7$$

Step 6: For pipes, calculate the flow rate and record the data in column F.

$$\textit{Flow Rate (Q)} = 0.004 \times (I.D.)^{1.67} \times D \times \sqrt{S}$$

where Q = flow rate in pipe (cfm), I.D. = inside diameter of pipe (in), D = water depth (in), S = pipe slope (%)

Step 7: For ditches or channels, calculate the flow rate in cfm. Record the flow rate in column G.

Formula:

$$\textit{Flow Rate (Q)} = \frac{0.42M \times (M)^{1.67} \times (D)^{2.67} \times \sqrt{S}}{(M^2 + 1)^{0.33}}$$

where Q = flow rate in ditch (cfm), M = modified slope, D = water depth (in), S = ditch slope (%)

Example: For Sample 1:

$$Q_1 = \frac{0.42\ (3.7) \times (3.7)^{1.67} \times (3.6)^{2.67} \times \sqrt{2}}{[(3.7)^2+1]^{0.33}}$$

$$Q = 246.1\ cfm$$

Runoff Coefficient Methods

Runoff coefficient methods are the least accurate of all the flow rate estimation methods. These methods should only be used for composite flow-weighted samples if all of the other methods are inappropriate for the site. Although the least accurate, runoff coefficients are the simplest method of estimating runoff rates.

Runoff coefficients represent the fraction of total rainfall that will be transmitted as runoff from the drainage area that flows into the facility outfall. Runoff coefficients consider the ground surface or cover material and determine the amount of storm water flow which may infiltrate or runoff as a discharge. A simple estimate of runoff volume assumes that paved areas and other impervious structures such as roofs have a runoff coefficient of 0.90 (i.e., 90 percent of the rainfall leaves the area as runoff). For unpaved surfaces, a runoff coefficient of 0.50 is normally assumed. A more accurate estimate can be made by using more specific runoff coefficients for different areas of the facility, based on the specific type of ground cover. Commonly used runoff coefficients are listed in Exhibit 3-12.

The average runoff coefficient can be estimated for drainage areas that have both paved and unpaved areas by weighting the coefficients based on their proportion of the total area. An equation for this would be:

$$\textit{Estimated Average Runoff Coef.} = \frac{(\textit{Area A})(\textit{Runoff Coef. A}) + (\textit{Area B})(\textit{Runoff Coef. B})}{\textit{Area A} + \textit{Area B}}$$

The area of the drainage basin can generally be obtained from land surveys conducted at the time of facility purchase or site surveys taken from design documents developed as part of construction planning. If these are not available, the applicant may estimate the drainage areas from a topographic map of the area. The areas used in this calculation should include only those areas drained by the sampled outfall. When determining the basin area that drains through the outfall, some special considerations should be noted: (1) storm water from sources outside an industrial facility's property boundary may contribute to the discharge; and (2) storm water not associated with industrial activity may contribute to the flow volume. Where these conditions occur, the facility should accurately quantify and appropriately address these contributions.

EXHIBIT 3-12. TYPICAL "c" COEFFICIENTS FOR 5- TO 10-YEAR FREQUENCY DESIGN STORMS

Description of Area	Runoff Coefficients
Business	
• Downtown areas	0.70-0.95
• Neighborhood areas	0.50-0.70
Residential	
• Single-family areas	0.30-0.50
• Multiunits (detached)	0.40-0.60
• Multiunits (attached)	0.60-0.75
Residential (suburban)	0.25-0.40
Apartment dwelling areas	0.50-0.70
Industrial	
• Light areas	0.50-0.80
• Heavy areas	0.60-0.90
Parks and cemeteries	0.10-0.25
Playgrounds	0.20-0.35
Railroad yard areas	0.20-0.40
Unimproved areas	0.10-0.30
Streets	
• Asphalt	0.70-0.95
• Concrete	0.80-0.95
• Brick	0.70-0.85
Drives and walks	0.75-0.85
Roofs	0.75-0.95
Lawns - course textured soil (greater than 85 percent sand)	
• Slope: Flat (2 percent)	0.05-0.10
Average (2-7 percent)	0.10-0.15
Steep (7 percent)	0.15-0.20
Lawns - fine textured soil (greater than 40 percent clay)	
• Slope: Flat (2 percent)	0.13-0.17
Average (2-7 percent)	0.18-0.22
Steep (7 percent)	0.25-0.35

Source: *Design and Construction of Sanitary and Storm Sewers*, with permission from the publisher, American Society of Civil Engineers, *Manual of Practice*, page 37, New York, 1960.

There are two specific methods to estimate flow rate using runoff coefficients. The first method uses depth of flow in a pipe or ditch and an average runoff rate to estimate each of the sample flow rates where the slope/pitch of the pipe or ditch is unknown. Exhibit 3-13 provides an example calculation of estimating flow rates based on depth and runoff coefficients. The second method uses only rainfall accumulation and runoff coefficients to estimate a flow associated with the time the sample was taken. No actual flows or flow depths are measured. Exhibit 3-14 provides an example of estimating the flow rate based on rainfall depth and runoff coefficients.

3.2.3 MEASURING TOTAL FLOW VOLUMES FOR THE SAMPLED RAIN EVENT

Similar to measuring flow rates, flow volumes may be measured using automatic flowmeters or primary/secondary devices as discussed in Section 3.2.1. Measurement of flow volume with these devices provides a reasonably accurate determination of the total flow volume for the entire storm water discharge. In many cases, however, primary or secondary devices have not been installed for storm water flow measurement. Portable flow measurement devices are often expensive. Many of the automatic samplers that are currently on the market can measure flow volumes as well as perform sampling. Where available and when economically feasible, measuring devices should be used to generate data for calculating flow.

3.2.4 ESTIMATING TOTAL FLOW VOLUMES FOR THE SAMPLED RAIN EVENT

Since accurate measurement of total flow volumes is often impracticable due to lack of equipment, total flow volumes are more commonly estimated. The two methods provided in this section require only simple estimated measurements. The first method is based on rainfall depths and runoff coefficients and the second is based on flow rates that can be either measured or estimated.

Runoff Coefficients Methods

Discharge volumes are most easily estimated using the area of the drainage basin contributing to the outfall, the rainfall accumulation, and a runoff coefficient. The total volume of discharge can be estimated using a simple equation that relates the amount of rainfall to the volume of discharge that will leave the site as runoff. The equation is as follows:

EXHIBIT 3-13. EXAMPLE CALCULATION OF RUNOFF COEFFICIENT/FLOW DEPTH METHOD FOR ESTIMATING FLOW RATES

Step 1: Estimate the runoff coefficient for the drainage area that contributes flow to the sampled outfall (see Section 3.2.2).

EXAMPLE: Assume the drainage area to the outfall is 3 acres. Two of those acres are paved with a runoff coefficient of .90, and 1 is unpaved with a runoff coefficient of .50. Using the equation for estimated runoff coefficient from the text in Section 2.2.2.2:

$$\textit{Est. Run. Coef.} = \frac{(2\ Ac)\ (0.90) + (1\ Ac)\ (0.50)}{2\ Ac + 1\ Ac} = 0.77$$

The runoff coefficient for the entire drainage area is 0.77.

Step 2: Measure the rainfall depth. Record the total rainfall of the storm or the rainfall that occurred in the first 3 hours (if it lasted more than 3 hours). Also record the duration of the rain event.

EXAMPLE: Assume the rainfall depth to be 1.0 inches in 3 hours.

Step 3: Calculate an average runoff rate.

Formula:

$$\textit{Average Runoff Rate} = \frac{\textit{Drainage Area} \times \textit{Runoff Coef.} \times \textit{Rainfall Depth}}{\textit{Rainfall Duration}}$$

Example:

$$\textit{Average Runoff Rate} = \frac{3\ Ac \times .77 \times 1\ in}{3\ hrs} \times \frac{43{,}560\ ft^2}{Ac} \times \frac{ft}{12\ in} \times \frac{hr}{60\ min} = 47\ cfm$$

When each sample or aliquot is taken, record the data for the time the samples were taken and the depth of the water in the center of the ditch or pipe. Record the data in columns B and C.

EXAMPLE DATA:

A	B	C	D	E
Sample Numbers	Time (minutes)	Channel or Ditch Water Depth (feet)	Calculated Depth-Weighted Flow Factor	Flow Rate (cfm)
1	0	1.0	0.82	39
2	20	1.1	0.90	42
3	40	1.2	0.98	46
4	60	1.25	1.02	48
5	80	1.3	1.06	50
6	100	1.25	1.02	48
7	120	1.2	0.98	46
8	140	1.7	1.39	65
9	160	1.0	0.82	39

Step 4: Sum up all the water depths for each sample taken as indicated above in column C.

Sum = 11.0 feet

EXHIBIT 3-13. EXAMPLE CALCULATION OF RUNOFF COEFFICIENT/FLOW DEPTH METHOD FOR ESTIMATING FLOW RATES (Continued)

Step 5: Calculate a depth-weight flow factor and record the data in column D.

Formula:

$$Factor = \frac{Measured\ Water\ Depth \times Number\ of\ Flow\ Measurements}{Sum\ of\ all\ Water\ Depths}$$

Example: For Sample 1

$$Factor = \frac{(1\ ft) \times 9}{11.0} = 0.82$$

Step 6: Calculate the flow rate. Record the data in column E.

Formula:

$$Flow\ Rate,\ Q\ (cfm) = Average\ Runoff\ Rate \times Depth\ Factor$$

Example: For Sample 1

$$Q = 47\ cfm \times 0.82 = 39\ cfm$$

$$V_t = R_t \times [(A_{paved} \times C_{runoff}) + (A_{unpaved} \times C_{runoff})]$$

where: V_t = the total runoff volume in cubic feet
R_t = the total rainfall measured in feet
A_{paved} = the area (sq ft) within the drainage basin that is paved or roofed
$A_{unpaved}$ = the area (sq ft) within the drainage basin that is unpaved
C_{runoff} = a specific runoff coefficient (no units) for the drainage area ground cover

Exhibit 3-15 provides an example calculation of total runoff volume from rainfall data.

Discharge Volumes Estimated Based on Measured Flow Rates

Another method of estimating the total volume of a discharge uses a series of measured or estimated flow rates. The total volume of discharge can be estimated by first multiplying each of the flow rates by the time interval in between flow measurements. This time period represents the portion of the total storm duration that can be associated with the flow rate measurement. Adding all such partial volumes results in a total flow volume. A procedure for calculating the total runoff volume from a set of discrete measurements of flow depth and velocity in a ditch during a storm runoff event is presented in Exhibit 3-16.

EXHIBIT 3-14. EXAMPLE CALCULATION OF RUNOFF COEFFICIENT RAINFALL DEPTH METHOD FOR ESTIMATING FLOW RATES

Step 1: Estimate the runoff coefficient for the drainage area that contributes flows to the sampled outfall.

EXAMPLE: See Step 1 in Exhibit 3-14. The site for this example will be similar so a coefficient of .77 will be used for the same 3-acre drainage area.

Step 2: When each sample or aliquot is taken, record the data for the time the sample was taken. Record the data in column B.

EXAMPLE DATA:

A	B	C	D	E	F
Sample Number	Time (minutes)	Total Rainfall Depth (inches)	Time Since Last Sample	Incremental Rainfall (inches) per 20 minutes	Calculated Flow Rate (cfm)
1	0	0.0	0	0.0	--
2	20	0.2	20	0.2	84
3	40	0.3	20	0.1	42
4	60	0.5	20	0.2	84
5	80	0.6	20	0.1	42
6	100	0.8	20	0.2	84
7	120	0.9	20	0.1	42
8	140	1.0	20	0.1	42
9	160	1.1	20	0.1	42

Step 3: Using a rainfall gauge, measure the total rainfall depth (in inches) and record the data in column C.

EXAMPLE: See sample data above.

Step 4: Calculate the incremental time since the last flow measurement and record the data in column D.

EXAMPLE: Samples were taken 20 minutes apart so this increment will be 20 minutes for every sample.

Step 5: Calculate the additional or incremental rainfall that has occurred since the last measurement. Record the data in column E.

Formula:

$$\textit{Incremental Rainfall} = \textit{Total Rainfall Sample 2} - \textit{Total Rainfall Sample 1}$$

Example: For Sample 2

$$\textit{Incremental Rainfall} = .2 - 0 = .2 \textit{ inches}$$

Step 6: Calculate the flow rate. Record the data in column F.

Formula:

$$\textit{Flow Rate (cfm)} = \frac{(\textit{Drainage area})(\textit{Runoff coefficient})(\textit{Incremental rainfall})}{(\textit{Incremental time})}$$

Example:

$$\textit{Flow Rate} = \frac{(3\ Ac)(0.77)(0.2\ in)}{20\ min} \times \frac{(43{,}560\ ft^2)}{Ac} \times \frac{1\ ft}{12\ in} = 84\ cfm$$

EXHIBIT 3-15. EXAMPLE CALCULATION OF TOTAL RUNOFF VOLUME FROM RAINFALL DATA

Step 1: Determine the area of drainage contributing to the runoff volume at the outfall and convert it to square feet.

Example: Using a land survey, a facility has determined its site encompasses 0.3 acres (13,068 square feet). The entire site is used for industrial activities, and therefore, any storm water discharges from the site will be associated with industrial activity. A berm surrounds the entire site limiting the drainage area to the site itself and preventing any dilution or contamination from other discharges. (Note: To convert acres to square feet, multiply the number of acres by 43,560, which is the conversion factor).

Step 2: Determine the rainfall depth during the event that was sampled to the nearest one-hundredth of an inch and convert it to feet.

Example: From the rain gauge, the rainfall accumulation is measured at 0.6 inches or 0.05 feet (ft). (Note: To convert inches to feet, divide the inches by 12, which is the conversion factor).

Step 3: Determine the runoff coefficients for each area.

Example: The facility has estimated that ⅓ of the site, or 4,356 square feet, is covered by impervious surfaces (i.e., roofs or paved roadways) and ⅔ of the site, or 8,712 square feet, is unpaved.

Step 4: Calculate the volume of flow using the following formula and convert the volume to liters.

Formula: ***Total runoff volume in cubic feet (cu ft) = total rainfall (ft) x [facility paved area (sq ft) x 0.90 + facility unpaved area (sq ft) x 0.50]***

Example: ***Total runoff volume (cu ft) = 0.05 x [4,356 x 0.90 + 8,712 x 0.50]***

Total runoff volume = 413.8 cu ft or 11,720 liters

(Note: To convert cubic feet to liters, multiply cubic feet by 28.32, which is the conversion factor).

EXHIBIT 3-16. EXAMPLE CALCULATION OF TOTAL RUNOFF VOLUME FROM FLOW RATE DATA

Step 1: Measure and tabulate flow depths and velocities every 20 minutes (at the same time that the sample is collected) during at least the first 3 hours of the runoff event.

EXAMPLE DATA:

A	B	C	D	E	F
Sample Number	**Time (minutes)**	**Flow Velocity (feet per minute)**	**Flow Depth (feet)**	**Width (feet)**	**Calculated Flow Rate (cfm)**
1	0	-	-	-	-
2	20	4	0.2	5	4
3	40	8	0.4	5	16
4	60	12	0.4	5	24
5	80	8	0.4	5	16
6	100	4	0.2	5	4
7	120	8	0.2	5	8
8	140	4	0.2	5	4
9	160	4	0.2	5	4

EXHIBIT 3-16. EXAMPLE CALCULATION OF TOTAL RUNOFF VOLUME FROM FLOW RATE DATA (Continued)

Step 2: Calculate and tabulate the cross-sectional area of flow for each of the flow depths measured. Calculate the flow rate for each discrete set of measurements.

Formula:

$$\textit{Flow Rate } Q \textit{ (cfm)} = \textit{Velocity (ft/min)} \times \textit{Area (sq ft)}$$
$$\textit{Area} = \textit{Depth} \times \textit{Width}$$

Example: For Sample 1

$$\textit{Area} = 0.2\textit{ ft} \times 5\textit{ ft} = 1\textit{ sq ft}$$
$$\textit{Flow Rate} = 4\textit{ ft/min} \times 1\textit{ sq ft} = 4\textit{ cfm}$$

Step 3: Plot the flow rate, Q, versus time. Also, assume that flow drops uniformly from the last calculated flow rate (Q_9) to zero at the time when Q_{10} would have been taken.

Example: The flow rates calculated in Step 3 are plotted against the time between samples.

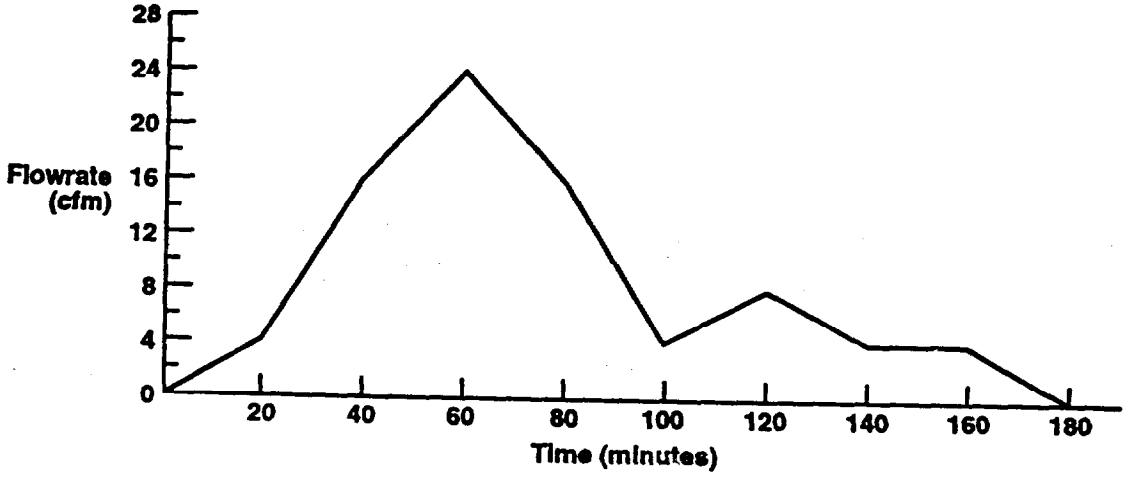
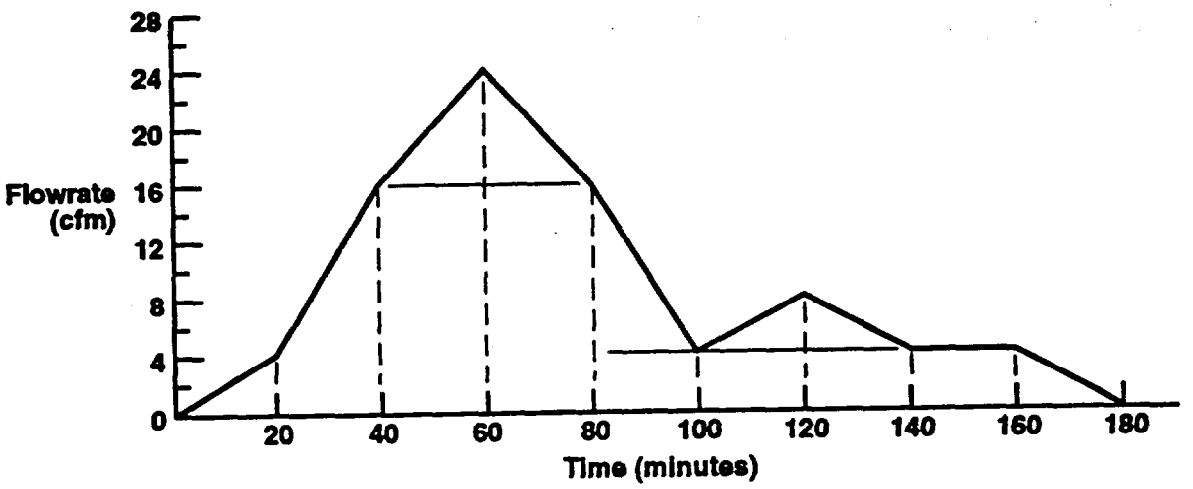


EXHIBIT 3-16. EXAMPLE CALCULATION OF TOTAL RUNOFF VOLUME FROM FLOW RATE DATA (Continued)

Step 4: The total flow volume (V_t) can be calculated by geometrically determining the area under the curve. The summation of the individual volumes per increment of time (V_1 through V_9) is the total flow volume of the event.

Example:



Step 5: Compute the flow volume associated with each observation (V_1, V_2, ..., V_9) by multiplying the measured flow rate by the duration (in this case, 20 minutes). Be sure the units are consistent. For example, if durations are in minutes and flow velocities are in cubic feet per second (cfs), convert the durations to seconds or the velocities to feet per minute.

Example:

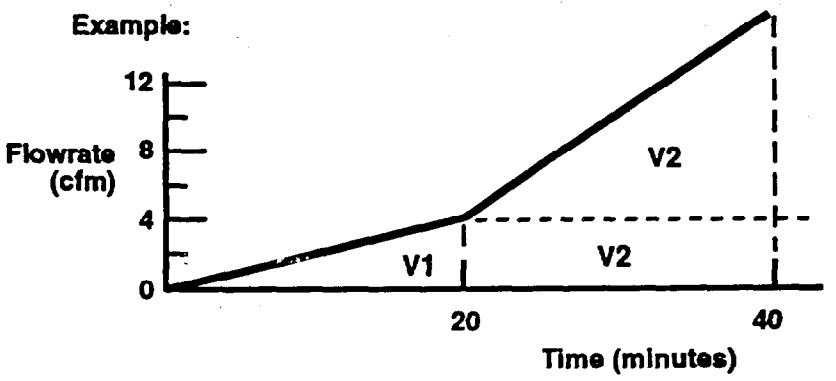


EXHIBIT 3-16. EXAMPLE CALCULATION OF TOTAL RUNOFF VOLUME FROM FLOW RATE DATA (Continued)

Formula: ***Volume (V) = Flow Rate (cfm) x Duration (minutes)***

Example:

$$V_1 = \frac{1}{2}(Q_1 - Q_0)(t_1 - t_0) = \frac{1}{2}(4-0)(20-0) = 40\ ft^3$$

$$V_2 = \frac{1}{2}(Q_2 - Q_1)(t_2 - t_1) + Q_1(t_2 - t_1)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(16-4)(40-20) + 4(20)$$

$$= 120 + 80 = 200\ ft^3$$

$V_1 = 40\ ft^3$
$V_2 = 200\ ft^3$
$V_3 = 400\ ft^3$
$V_4 = 400\ ft^3$
$V_5 = 200\ ft^3$
$V_6 = 120\ ft^3$
$V_7 = 120\ ft^3$
$V_8 = 80\ ft^3$
$V_9 = 40\ ft^3$

Step 6: Total the individual volumes calculated in Step 5 to obtain the total runoff volume.
Example:

Total Storm Runoff = 1,600 ft³

3.2.5 REPORTING STORM WATER DISCHARGE FLOW RATES AND VOLUMES

Form 2F requires applicants to provide quantitative data (reported both as concentration and as total mass) based on flow-weighted samples collected during storm events. In addition, applicants are required to provide flow estimates or flow measurements, as well as an estimate of the total volume of the discharge. The method of flow estimation or measurement must be described in the application. Although EPA only requires flow estimates in Form 2F, accurate flow measurement is necessary for collecting representative flow-weighted composite samples and reporting pollutant mass loadings.

3.2.6 MEASURING RAINFALL

Many types of instruments have been developed to measure the amount and intensity of precipitation. All forms of precipitation are measured on the basis of the depth of the water that would accumulate on a level surface if precipitation remained where it fell. There are two types of rain gauges -- standard and recording gauges. A standard rain gauge collects the rainfall so that the amount of rain can be easily measured. The standard gauge for the NWS has a collector which is 8 inches in diameter. Rain flows from the collector into a cylindrical measuring tube inside the overflow can. The measuring tube has a cross-sectional area one tenth the size of the collector so that 0.1 inch of rainfall will fill 1 inch of the measuring tube. While this standard gauge is both accurate and easy to use, any open receptacle with vertical sides can be an effective rain gauge. Standard rain gauges are simple and inexpensive; however, with a standard gauge, there is no way to record changes in the intensity of the rainfall without making frequent observations of the gauge during the storm.

The second type of gauge is the recording rain gauge, which provides a permanent record of the amount of rainfall which accumulates over time. Three common types of recording gauges are:

- Tipping Bucket Gauge - Water caught in a collector is funneled into a two-compartment bucket; a known quantity of rain fills one compartment, overbalancing the bucket and emptying it into a reservoir. This moves the second bucket into place beneath the funnel. The tipping of the bucket engages an electric circuit, which records the event.

- Weighing Type Gauge - Water is weighed when it falls into a bucket placed on the platform of a spring or lever balance. The weight of the contents is recorded on a chart, showing the accumulation of precipitation.

- Float Recording Gauge - Water is measured by the rise of a float that is placed in the receiver. These gauges may be self-siphoning, or may need to be emptied periodically by hand.

Recording rain gauges provide a permanent record of rainfall, and they can be used to determine variations in rainfall intensity over time without making frequent observations during the storm. But recording gauges are more complicated mechanically than standard gauges, making them more costly, less durable, and more difficult to operate.

Although all gauges are subject to error, most errors can be minimized. To minimize errors, the gauge should be placed on a level surface that is not windswept and is away from trees or buildings that might interfere with the path of rainfall. When taking measurements, other factors contributing to error should also be considered: mistakes in reading the scale, dents in the collector rim (which changes the receiving area), measuring sticks that may retain some of the water, and water lost to evaporation. In the case of tipping bucket gauges, water may not be collected while the bucket is still tipping. The most common source of inaccuracy is changes in data that are attributable to wind. It is possible to assess wind errors by comparing measurements of gauges that are protected from the wind with those that are not.

3.3 GRAB SAMPLE COLLECTION

Section 3.1.2 discussed both the parameters that must be monitored by grab sample and the conditions under which grab sampling is required. This section explains how to collect grab samples. The entire sample is collected at an uninterrupted interval (i.e., grabbed at one time). A grab sample provides information on the characterization of storm water at a given time and may be collected either manually or automatically as discussed below.

3.3.1 HOW TO MANUALLY COLLECT GRAB SAMPLES

A manual grab is collected by inserting a container under or downcurrent of a discharge with the container opening facing upstream. Generally, simplified equipment and procedures can be used. In most cases, the sample container itself may be used to collect the sample. Less accessible outfalls may require the use of poles and buckets to collect grab samples. To ensure that manual grab samples are representative of the storm water discharged, the procedures set forth in Exhibit 3-17 should be followed.

EXHIBIT 3-17. RECOMMENDED OPERATING PROCEDURES FOR TAKING GRAB SAMPLES

- Label sample containers before sampling event
- Take a cooler with ice to the sampling point
- Take the grab from the horizontal and vertical center of the channel
- Avoid stirring up bottom sediments in the channel
- Hold the container so the opening faces upstream
- Avoid touching the inside of the container to prevent contamination
- Keep the sample free from uncharacteristic floating debris
- Transfer samples into proper containers (e.g., from bucket to sample container), however, fecal coliform, fecal streptococcus, phenols and O&G should remain in original containers
- If taking numerous grabs, keep the samples separate and labelled clearly
- Use safety precautions (see Chapter 6)

Specialized equipment and procedures may be needed, particularly in situations where storm water discharges are inaccessible or where certain parameters are monitored. For example:

- When sampling for O&G and VOCs, equipment that safely and securely houses O&G bottles or VOC vials should be used. This may be necessary because: (1) O&G will adhere to containers and thus should not be transferred from one container to another; and (2) excessive aeration during sampling may result in the partial escape of VOCs.
- Since facilities sometimes use sample bottles that already contain preservatives (as provided by contract laboratories), extreme care should be taken when filling them to avoid spills, splatters, or washout of the preservatives.

All equipment and containers that come into contact with the sample must be clean to avoid contamination. Additionally, sample collection equipment and container materials should be totally unreactive to prevent leaching of pollutants. Cleaning procedures are discussed in detail in Section 3.5.

3.3.2 HOW TO COLLECT GRAB SAMPLES BY AUTOMATIC SAMPLER

Grab samples can also be collected using programmed automatic samplers. Automatic samplers come equipped with computers that can be programmed to collect grab samples. Programming for grabs is specific to the type of automatic sampler. Some samplers are portable and have been developed specifically to sample for storm water discharges. These samplers are frequently attached to a rain gauge and/or a flow sensor. Such samplers can be programmed to initiate sample collection by one or more of the following conditions: (1) depth of flow in a channel; (2) rainfall in inches; (3) flow rate; (4) time; (5) external signal; and (6) combinations of the first three conditions. For example, an automatic sampler could be used to collect a sample at 15-minute intervals after its sensors indicate that rainfall has begun.

When using an automatic sampler, planning is very important. First, all equipment must be properly cleaned, particularly the tubing and the sample containers. There are several different types of tubing available, including rubber and Tygon tubing. Tygon tubing is commonly used since it generally does not leach contaminants. Deionized water should be drawn through the sampler to remove any remaining pollutant residuals prior to taking samples. Tubing should also be replaced periodically to avoid algae or bacterial growth.

Sampling personnel should also use adequate and appropriate containers and ensure they are properly cleaned. Section 3.5 contains information on cleaning procedures which should be followed for all equipment. Additionally, the utilization of blanks (a control used to verify the accuracy of analytical results) is recommended to determine if cross-contamination of sampling equipment has occurred. Samplers should also be programmed, set up, and supplied with a source of power. Properly charged batteries should be readily available for portable samplers in advance of a storm event and, as a backup power supply in case of power failure. Finally, although automatic samplers may be useful in some situations, several parameters are not amenable to collection by automatic sampler. These pollutants include fecal streptococcus, fecal coliforms, oil and grease and VOCs which should be collected manually, not automatically, as discussed in Section 3.1.2.

3.4 FLOW-WEIGHTED COMPOSITE SAMPLE COLLECTION

Composite samples are samples simply comprised of a series of individual sample aliquots that have been combined to reflect average pollutant concentrations of the storm water discharge during the

sampling period. Composite samples can be developed based on time or flow rate. There are four different types of composite samples, as follows:

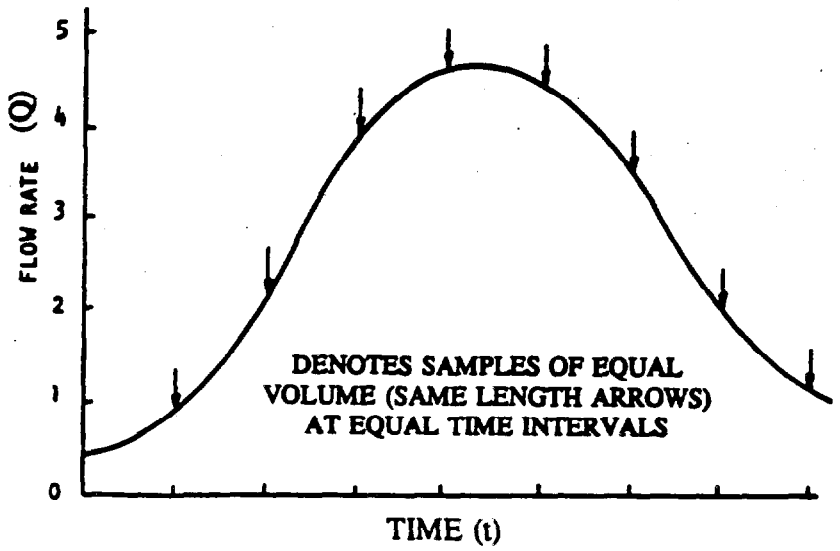
- Constant Time - Constant Volume - Samples of equal volume are taken at equal increments of time and composited to make an average sample (similar to Exhibit 3-18). This method is not acceptable for samples taken for compliance with the storm water permit application regulations.
- Constant Time - Volume Proportional to Flow Increment - Samples are taken at equal increments of time and are composited proportional to the volume of flow since the last sample was taken (see Exhibit 3-19).
- Constant Time - Volume Proportional to Flow Rate - Samples are taken at equal increments of time and are composited proportional to the flow rate at the time each sample was taken (see Exhibit 3-20).
- Constant Volume - Time Proportional to Flow Volume Increment - Samples of equal volume are taken at equal increments of flow volume and composited (see Exhibit 3-21).

Generally, flow-weighted composite samples must be collected for most parameters. The methods for generating flow-weighted composite samples are discussed in the following sections.

For storm water discharge permit applications, the aliquots for flow-weighted composite samples must be collected during a representative storm for the first 3 hours, or for the duration of the storm event if it is less than 3 hours long. The storm water application regulations allow for flow-weighted composite samples to be collected manually or automatically. For both methods, equal volume aliquots may be collected at the time of sampling and then flow-proportioned and composited in the laboratory, or the aliquot may be collected based on the flow rate at the time of sample collection and composited in the field. When composite samples are collected, the regulations require that each aliquot collection be separated by a minimum of 15 minutes and that a minimum of three sample aliquots be taken within each hour of the discharge. See Exhibit 3-22 for an example of how this requirement may be fulfilled.

The provisions set forth in 40 CFR 122.21(g)(7) for collecting flow-weighted composite samples establish specific requirements for minimum time duration between sample aliquots. Where these conditions cannot be met, the permitting authority may allow alternate protocols with respect to the time duration between sample aliquots (see Chapter 5). However, permission from the permitting

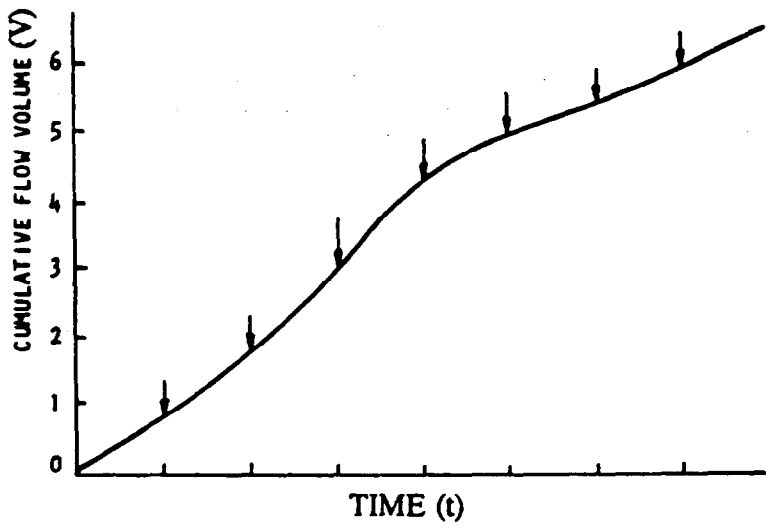
EXHIBIT 3-18. CONSTANT TIME - CONSTANT VOLUME



Method of compositing samples on a fixed volume-fixed time interval basis

Source: Methodology for the Study of Urban Storm Generated Pollution and Control, U.S. EPA 600/2-76-145, August 1976.

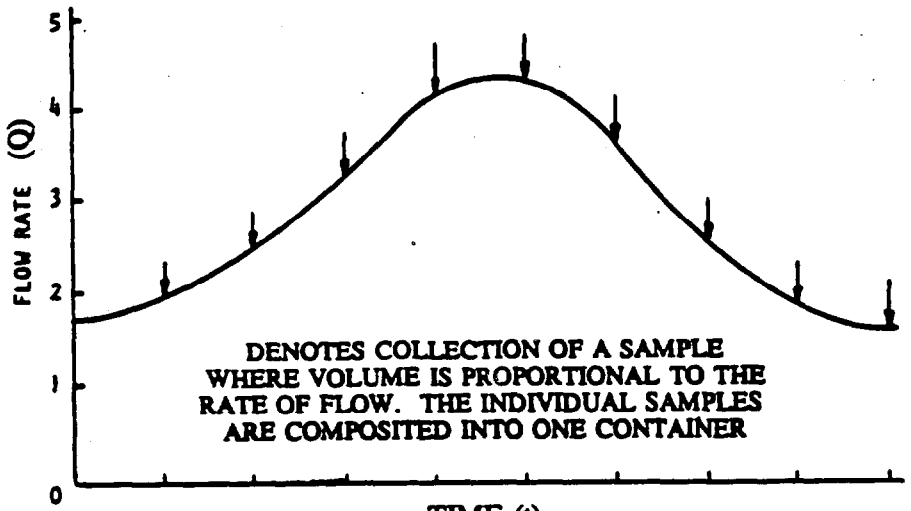
EXHIBIT 3-19. CONSTANT TIME - VOLUME PROPORTIONAL TO FLOW INCREMENT



Method of compositing samples proportional to flow volume at constant time interval

Source: Methodology for the Study of Urban Storm Generated Pollution and Control, U.S. EPA 600/2-76-145, August 1976.

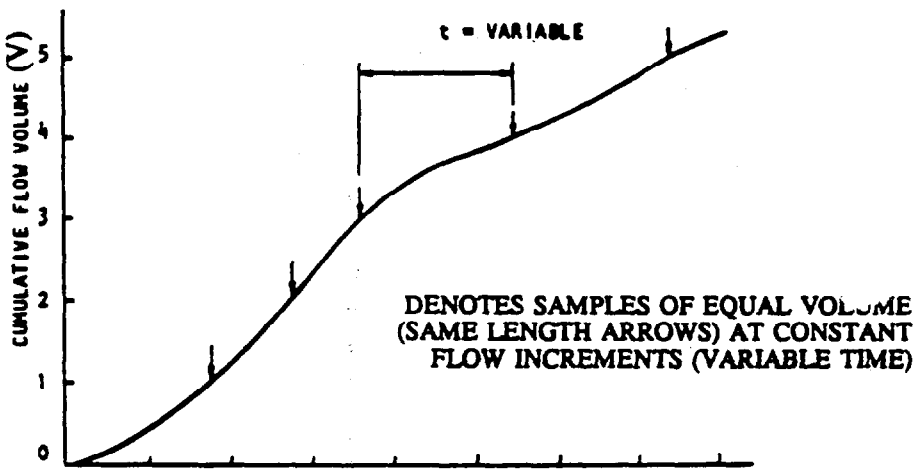
EXHIBIT 3-20. CONSTANT TIME - VOLUME PROPORTIONAL TO FLOW RATE



Method of compositing samples proportional to flow rate

Source: Methodology for the Study of Urban Storm Generated Pollution and Control, U.S. EPA 600/2-76-145, August 1976.

EXHIBIT 3-21. CONSTANT VOLUME - TIME PROPORTIONAL TO FLOW VOLUME INCREMENT

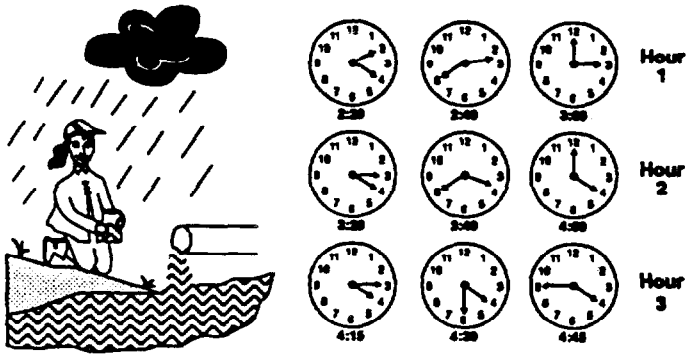


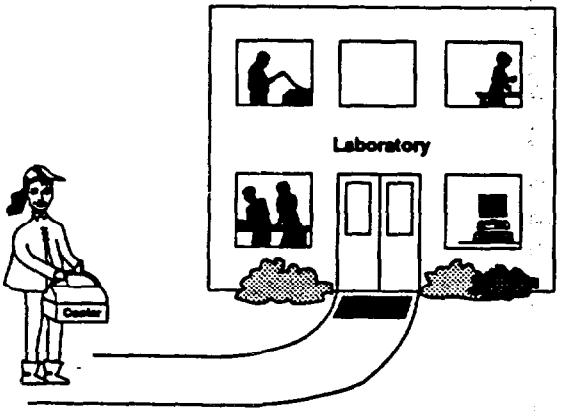
Method of compositing samples of equal volume at equal increments of flow

Source: Methodology for the Study of Urban Storm Generated Pollution and Control, U.S. EPA 600/2-76-145, August 1976.

EXHIBIT 3-22. EXAMPLE OF SAMPLING INTERVALS

Suppose that a storm water discharge began at 2:15 p.m. and lasted until 5:15 p.m. on a Friday. The field staff person wants to collect the samples at regular intervals, so s/he plans to collect an aliquot with a volume that is proportional to the flow every 20 minutes. After the third hour of collection, the field staff person must deliver the samples to the laboratory (which is 10 minutes away). The laboratory closes at 5:00 p.m. So, s/he should take the last sample at 4:45 p.m. One way of doing this would be to collect samples (in hour three) at 4:15, 4:30, and 4:45 p.m. This would comply with the three-sample minimum in hour three (4:15-5:15 p.m.) and the required 15-minute minimum interval between collections. It would also allow the field staff person to get the samples to the lab before it closes for the weekend. On the other hand, if s/he missed the sample collection at 4:15 p.m. and instead, collected the sample at 4:20 p.m., then s/he would have to collect the next sample at 4:35 p.m. and the last sample at 4:50 p.m., and the field staff person would not be able to deliver the sample until Monday (by which time the required maximum holding time would be exceeded), and the sampling would need to be repeated.





authority must be obtained before changes are initiated. Considerations applicable to the collection of flow-weighted composites by automatic and manual techniques are discussed in the following sections.

3.4.1 HOW TO MANUALLY COLLECT FLOW-WEIGHTED COMPOSITE SAMPLES

Manually collected, flow-weighted composite samples may be appropriate for a facility that prefers not to invest in automatic equipment. This technique is cost-effective for short-term monitoring programs and for facilities where few outfalls are being sampled. The fundamental requirement for facilities that use these methodologies is that they should have personnel available to perform the sampling when needed. Those facilities where VOCs analysis of storm water discharges are required should manually collect composite samples since these parameters may not be amenable to sampling by automatic samplers. Compositing of VOC samples should be conducted in the laboratory as discussed in Section 3.5.2.

The manual collection of a flow-weighted sample is performed in the same manner as taking manual grab samples (see Section 3.3.1). The only difference is that a series of samples (or aliquots) will be collected. As discussed in the previous section, there are two ways to manually collect and combine the aliquots for a flow-weighted sample:

- Collect sample aliquot volumes based on the flow at the time of sampling which can immediately be combined to make the composite sample in the field (see Exhibit 3-23)
- Collect equal volume sample aliquots at the time of sampling and then flow-proportion and composite the aliquots in the laboratory (see Exhibit 3-24).

When uniform time intervals are used between the collection of the sample aliquots, the volumes of each aliquot used in the composite sample can be determined based on either volumes of flow or the flow rate, as they will result in similar proportions. However, when there are different time intervals between the sample aliquots, the individual sample aliquot volumes should be based on the runoff volume (calculated from the individual flow rates and durations) associated with each sample aliquot.

Generally, 1,000 ml for each aliquot collected should provide enough sample volume, when composited, for pollutant analyses of the required parameters contained in Section VII.A of Form 2F (see Section 3.6). More aliquot volume may be required if sampling is conducted for additional parameters. The laboratory conducting the analyses should always be contacted prior to a sampling event to determine how much sample volume they will require.

EXHIBIT 3-23. EXAMPLE OF HOW TO COLLECT SAMPLE ALIQUOT VOLUMES BASED ON FLOW, AND PROPORTION AND COMPOSITE IN THE FIELD

Step 1: Determine the necessary volume for compositing purposes.

Example: To fulfill analyses for all parameters in Section VII.A of Form 2F for which composite samples are required [Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD_5), Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD), Total Suspended Solids (TSS), Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (TKN), nitrate plus nitrite, and phosphorous] a total composite sample volume of 5,000 ml is needed by the contract laboratory.

Step 2: Determine an appropriate interval for collection of samples.

Example: Manually collected flow-weighted composite samples must consist of at least three sample aliquots collected per hour and must be gathered at least 15 minutes apart. For this example, sample aliquots will be collected exactly 20 minutes apart.

Step 3: Estimate or measure the volume of discharge for each sampling event.

Example: A discharge flow volume of 4.8 cubic feet will be used here.

Step 4: Convert the discharge flow volume to liters.

Example: To convert cubic feet to liters, use the conversion factor of 28.32 liters per 1 cubic foot as set forth in the following formula:

$$\textit{Volume (liters)} = \textit{Volume (cubic feet)} \times \frac{28.32 \text{ liters}}{1 \text{ cubic foot}}$$

$$\textit{Volume} = 4.8 \text{ cubic feet} \times \frac{28.32 \text{ liters}}{1 \text{ cubic foot}} = 136 \text{ liters}$$

Step 5: Using Steps 3 and 4, volumes that have been discharged between the collection of each aliquot can be calculated.

(Note that the discharge volumes provided for aliquot numbers 2-9 have already been given for the purposes of this exhibit.)

Example: The procedures set forth in Section 3.2 may be used to calculate discharge volumes. The following table presents aliquot numbers, time of aliquot collection, and discharge volumes.

Aliquot Number	Time of Aliquot Collection	Discharged Volume
1	2:15 p.m.	136 liters
2	2:35 p.m.	200 liters
3	2:55 p.m.	122 liters
4	3:15 p.m.	178 liters
5	3:35 p.m.	156 liters
6	3:55 p.m.	117 liters
7	4:15 p.m.	94 liters
8	4:30 p.m.	21 liters
9	4:45 p.m.	12 liters

EXHIBIT 3-23. EXAMPLE OF HOW TO COLLECT SAMPLE ALIQUOT VOLUMES BASED ON FLOW, AND PROPORTION AND COMPOSITE IN THE FIELD (Continued)

Step 6: Determine the appropriate minimum aliquot volume as the basis for collecting other aliquot samples which together will provide adequate volume to fulfill the analytic requirements.

Example: In Step 1, it was determined that at least 5,000 ml of sample were required for flow-weighted composite sample analytical testing. As discussed in Section 3.4.1, basing the sample collection on a minimum aliquot volume of 1,000 ml gathered every interval (i.e., every 15 minutes) should result in adequate sample volume.

Step 7: Calculate the volume of the sample aliquot which must be collected during each aliquot sample period using the following formula:

$$\textit{Aliquot volume (ml)} = \textit{Minimum aliquot volume (ml)} \times \frac{\textit{Aliquot's discharge volume (liters)}}{\textit{Initial discharge volume (liters)}}$$

Step 6 shows that the minimum aliquot volume is 1,000 ml.

$$\textit{Aliquot \#1 volume (ml)} = 1{,}000 \text{ ml} \times \frac{136 \text{ liters}}{136 \text{ liters}} = 1{,}000 \text{ ml}$$

$$\textit{Aliquot \#2 volume (ml)} = 1{,}000 \text{ ml} \times \frac{200 \text{ liters}}{136 \text{ liters}} = 1471 \text{ ml}$$

$$\textit{Aliquot \#3 volume (ml)} = 1{,}000 \text{ ml} \times \frac{122 \text{ liters}}{136 \text{ liters}} = 897 \text{ ml}$$

$$\textit{Aliquot \#4 volume (ml)} = 1{,}000 \text{ ml} \times \frac{178 \text{ liters}}{136 \text{ liters}} = 1{,}309 \text{ ml}$$

$$\textit{Aliquot \#5 volume (ml)} = 1{,}000 \text{ ml} \times \frac{156 \text{ liters}}{136 \text{ liters}} = 1{,}147 \text{ ml}$$

$$\textit{Aliquot \#6 volume (ml)} = 1{,}000 \text{ ml} \times \frac{117 \text{ liters}}{136 \text{ liters}} = 860 \text{ ml}$$

$$\textit{Aliquot \#7 volume (ml)} = 1{,}000 \text{ ml} \times \frac{94 \text{ liters}}{136 \text{ liters}} = 691 \text{ ml}$$

$$\textit{Aliquot \#8 volume (ml)} = 1{,}000 \text{ ml} \times \frac{21 \text{ liters}}{136 \text{ liters}} = 154 \text{ ml}$$

$$\textit{Aliquot \#9 volume (ml)} = 1{,}000 \text{ ml} \times \frac{12 \text{ liters}}{136 \text{ liters}} = 88 \text{ ml}$$

A table of these calculations follows:

Aliquot Number	Discharged Volume	Aliquot Volume
1	136 liters	1,000 ml
2	200 liters	1,471 ml
3	122 liters	897 ml
4	178 liters	1,309 ml
5	156 liters	1,147 ml
6	117 liters	860 ml
7	94 liters	691 ml
8	21 liters	154 ml
9	12 liters	88 ml

In conclusion, a combination of the above sample aliquots result in a composite of 7,617 ml.

EXHIBIT 3-24. EXAMPLE OF HOW TO MANUALLY COLLECT EQUAL SAMPLE ALIQUOTS WHICH ARE LATER FLOW-PROPORTIONED AND COMPOSITED IN THE LABORATORY

Step 1: Determine the necessary volume for compositing purposes.

Example: To fulfill analyses for all parameters in Section VII.A of Form 2F for which composite samples are required (BOD_5, COD, TSS, TKN, nitrate plus nitrite, and phosphorous) a total composite sample volume of 5,000 ml is needed by the contract laboratory.

Step 2: Determine an appropriate interval for collection of samples.

Example: Manually collected flow-weighted composite samples must consist of at least nine sample aliquots and must be gathered at least 15 minutes apart; only three or four samples per hour may be taken. For convenience, the minimum number of three is chosen. Sample aliquots will be collected every 20 minutes.

Step 3: Determine the aliquot which should be taken during each sampling event.

Example: At least 5,000 ml of sample is required for flow-weighted composite sample analytical testing. As discussed in Section 3.4.1, a minimum aliquot volume of 1,000 ml gathered every interval (i.e., every 15 minutes) should result in adequate sample volume to be used for later flow-weighted compositing.

Step 4: Estimate or measure the volume of discharge for each sampling event while collecting a discrete 1,000-ml aliquot, as discussed in Step 3, for later compositing.

Example: Section 3.2 discusses methods to calculate total discharge volumes. A discharge flow volume of 4.8 cubic feet will be used here.

Step 5: Convert the discharge flow volume to liters.

Example: To convert cubic feet to liters, use the conversion factor of 28.32 liters per 1 cubic foot as set forth in the following formula:

$$\textit{Volume (liters)} = \textit{Volume (cubic feet)} \times \frac{28.32 \text{ liters}}{1 \text{ cubic foot}}$$

$$\textit{Volume} = 4.8 \textit{ cubic feet} \times \frac{28.32 \text{ liters}}{1 \text{ cubic foot}} = 136 \textit{ liters}$$

EXHIBIT 3-24. EXAMPLE OF HOW TO MANUALLY COLLECT EQUAL SAMPLE ALIQUOTS WHICH ARE LATER FLOW-PROPORTIONED AND COMPOSITED IN THE LABORATORY (Continued)

Step 6: Using Steps 3 and 4, calculate the volumes that have been discharged between the collection of each aliquot.

Example: The procedures set forth in Section 3.2 may be used to calculate discharge volumes. The following table presents aliquot numbers, time of aliquot collection, and discharge volumes (note that the discharge volumes provided for aliquot numbers 2-9 were chosen for purposes of this exhibit).

Aliquot Number	Time of Aliquot Collection	Discharged Volume
1	2:15 p.m.	136 liters
2	2:35 p.m.	200 liters
3	2:55 p.m.	122 liters
4	3:15 p.m.	178 liters
5	3:35 p.m.	156 liters
6	3:55 p.m.	117 liters
7	4:15 p.m.	94 liters
8	4:30 p.m.	21 liters
9	4:45 p.m.	12 liters

Step 7: Determine the aliquot sample which is associated with the greatest discharge volume.

Example: Aliquot number 2 was taken when the volume was 200 liters. This is the largest discharge volume.

Step 8: Calculate the volume of sample aliquot which must be used subsequent to the sample event to comprise a flow-weighted composite sample. The following formula should be used:

$$\textit{Aliquot volume (ml)} = \textit{Minimum aliquot volume (ml)} \times \frac{\textit{Aliquot's discharge volume (liters)}}{\textit{Largest discharge volume (liters)}}$$

Step 3 shows that the minimum aliquot volume is 1,000 ml. Using this value and the data determined as part of Steps 6 and 7, the following can be calculated:

$$\textit{Aliquot \#1 volume (ml)} = 1{,}000 \text{ ml} \times \frac{136 \text{ liters}}{200 \text{ liters}} = 680 \text{ ml}$$

$$\textit{Aliquot \#2 volume (ml)} = 1{,}000 \text{ ml} \times \frac{200 \text{ liters}}{200 \text{ liters}} = 1{,}000 \text{ ml}$$

$$\textit{Aliquot \#3 volume (ml)} = 1{,}000 \text{ ml} \times \frac{122 \text{ liters}}{200 \text{ liters}} = 610 \text{ ml}$$

$$\textit{Aliquot \#4 volume (ml)} = 1{,}000 \text{ ml} \times \frac{178 \text{ liters}}{200 \text{ liters}} = 890 \text{ ml}$$

$$\textit{Aliquot \#5 volume (ml)} = 1{,}000 \text{ ml} \times \frac{156 \text{ liters}}{200 \text{ liters}} = 780 \text{ ml}$$

$$\textit{Aliquot \#6 volume (ml)} = 1{,}000 \text{ ml} \times \frac{117 \text{ liters}}{200 \text{ liters}} = 585 \text{ ml}$$

EXHIBIT 3-24. EXAMPLE OF HOW TO MANUALLY COLLECT EQUAL SAMPLE ALIQUOTS WHICH ARE LATER FLOW-PROPORTIONED AND COMPOSITED IN THE LABORATORY (Continued)

Aliquot #7 volume (ml) = 1,000 ml x $\frac{94 \text{ liters}}{200 \text{ liters}}$ *= 470 ml*

Aliquot #8 volume (ml) = 1,000 ml x $\frac{21 \text{ liters}}{200 \text{ liters}}$ *= 105 ml*

Aliquot #9 volume (ml) = 1,000 ml x $\frac{12 \text{ liters}}{200 \text{ liters}}$ *= 60 ml*

A table of these calculations follows

Aliquot Number	Discharged Volume	Aliquot Volume
1	136 liters	680 ml
2	200 liters	1,000 ml
3	122 liters	610 ml
4	178 liters	890 ml
5	156 liters	780 ml
6	117 liters	585 ml
7	94 liters	470 ml
8	21 liters	105 ml
9	12 liters	60 ml

In conclusion, a combination of the above sample aliquots results in a composite sample of **5,100 ml.**

Manually collected flow-weighted composite samples can also be prepared by collecting sample aliquots of equal volume where the collection times are related to the volume of discharge which has passed since the last sample aliquot collection. However, this method is subject to fluctuating flow rates and volumes which may dictate that samples be taken prior to the 15-minute interval required by the regulations. In that case, the alternative sampling protocol would have to be approved by the permitting authority.

3.4.2 HOW TO COLLECT FLOW-WEIGHTED COMPOSITE SAMPLES BY AUTOMATIC SAMPLER

The typical automatic sampler collects sample aliquots after a specific interval. These aliquots can be flow-weight composited by the automatic sampler; or by hand in the laboratory. The automatic

sampler may be programmed in one of three ways: (1) to collect a sample at equal time intervals and varying aliquot volumes commensurate with the flow (either rate or volume) that has passed; (2) to collect equal volume aliquots at varying time intervals commensurate with the flow volume that has passed; or (3) to collect equal volume aliquots of sample at equal time intervals.

The first two methods automatically composite the sample but require that the sampler be connected to a flow meter such that the sampler determines either the flow rate or the amount of volume that passes. Since these methods automatically composite samples, one main sample container may be used to receive all aliquots. The third method automatically collects the sample aliquots but does not automatically flow-weight composite the sample. As such, discrete sample containers must be used, and manual flow-weighted compositing must be conducted after the aliquots are collected. Exhibits 3-23 and 3-24 in Section 3.4.1 describe the manual compositing procedures that should be followed.

Manufacturers' instructions for the use of an automatic sampler provide the best explanation of programming options and should be consulted for information on programming samplers for storm water collection. Some of the points regarding automatic samplers discussed in Section 3.3.2 should also be considered.

3.5 SAMPLE HANDLING AND PRESERVATION

Samples must be handled and preserved in accordance with 40 CFR Part 136. This section describes acceptable analytical methods, including requirements regarding sample holding times, containers, sizes, and preservation requirements. For each pollutant or parameter that may have to be analyzed, 40 CFR Part 136 includes information on:

- Container types to be used to store the samples after collection
- Procedures to correctly preserve the samples
- The maximum holding time allowed for each parameter.

The following sections present a detailed discussion of preservation techniques and sample handling procedures. Technical Appendix C presents a matrix of required containers, preservation techniques,

and holding times for each parameter. Most laboratories can provide clean sample containers, preservatives, sealing, chain-of-custody forms and can advise further on sample handling and preservation.

3.5.1 DECONTAMINATION OF SAMPLE EQUIPMENT CONTAINERS

Storm water sample containers should be cleaned and prepared for field use according to the procedures set forth in 40 CFR Part 136. A summary of the procedures is presented below for plastic containers, any or all of which may be performed by the laboratory or container distributor:

- Nonphosphate detergent and tap water wash
- Tap water rinse
- 10 percent nitric acid rinse (only if the sample is to be analyzed for metals)
- Distilled/deionized water rinse
- Total air dry.

To clean glass containers, the same steps should be taken; but, after the distilled/deionized water rinse, the containers should be rinsed with solvent if appropriate prior to total air drying. After the decontamination procedures have been accomplished, the sample containers should be capped or sealed with foil, and the sampling device should be protected and kept clean. It is a good idea to label sample containers after cleaning. The laboratory should keep a record of the technician performing the cleaning procedure as well as the date and time. This begins the required chain-of-custody procedure for legal custody (see Section 3.10 for more information). A chain-of-custody record accompanies each sample to track all personnel handling the sample. This record is essential to trace the sample integrity in the event that quality control checks reveal problems. For this reason, as well as to avoid problems if contamination issues arise, it is suggested that the laboratory performing the analysis perform the cleaning.

3.5.2 SAMPLE PRESERVATION AND HOLDING TIMES

Preservation techniques ensure that the sample remains representative of the storm water discharge at the time of collection. Since many pollutants in the samples collected are unstable (at least to some extent), the sample should be analyzed immediately or preserved or fixed to minimize changes between the time of collection and analysis. Because immediate analysis is not always possible, most samples are preserved regardless of the time of analysis.

Problems may be encountered when flow-weighted composite samples are collected. Since sample deterioration can take place during the compositing process, it is necessary to preserve or stabilize the samples during compositing in addition to preserving aggregate samples before shipment to the laboratory. Preservation techniques vary depending on the pollutant parameter to be measured; therefore, familiarity with 40 CFR Part 136 (see Technical Appendix C) is essential to ensure effective preservation. It is important to verify that the preservation techniques for one parameter do not affect the analytical results of another in the same sample. If this is the case, two discrete samples should be collected and preserved accordingly.

Sample preservation techniques consist of refrigeration, pH adjustment, and chemical fixation. pH adjustment is necessary to stabilize the target analyte (e.g., addition of NaOH stabilizes cyanide); acidification of total metal samples ensures that metal salts do not precipitate. Refrigeration is the most widely used technique because it has no detrimental effect on the sample composition (i.e., it does not alter the chemistry of the sample), and it does not interfere with most analytical methods. Refrigeration requires the sample to be quickly chilled to a temperature of 4°C. This technique is used at the beginning of sample collection in the field, and is continued during sample shipment, and while the sample is in the laboratory. Even though samples taken for compositing purposes are taken over time each individual sample must be refrigerated. If taken manually, the samples can be placed in an ice box. If taken by a automatic sampler, the sampler unit should have refrigeration capabilities. The analytical laboratory may provide chemicals necessary for fixation, or may tell sampling personnel where they can be purchased.

In addition to preservation techniques, 40 CFR Part 136 indicates maximum holding times. A detailed list of holding times appears in Technical Appendix C. The holding time is the maximum

amount of time that samples may be held before analysis and still be considered valid. Samples exceeding these holding times are considered suspect and sample collection may have to be repeated.

Although Technical Appendix C provides required sample containers, preservation techniques, and holding times, some of the more commonly monitored parameters warrant additional discussion. The following provides a more detailed discussion of considerations pertaining to cyanide, VOCs, organics and pesticides, O&G, pH, total residual chlorine, fecal coliform, fecal streptococcus, and 5-day Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD_5).

Cyanide

Cyanide is very reactive and unstable. If the sample cannot be analyzed immediately, it must be preserved by pH adjustment after collection. However, prior to pH adjustment, procedures to eliminate residual chlorine and sulfides must be followed immediately.

Where chlorine has the possibility of being present, the sample should be tested for residual chlorine by using potassium iodide-starch test paper previously moistened with acetate buffer. If the sample contains residual chlorine (a blue color indicates the need for treatment), ascorbic acid must be added 0.6 gram (g) at a time until the tests produce a negative result; then, an additional 0.6 g of ascorbic acid should be added to the sample.

Samples containing sulfides may be removed, in which case the holding time is extended to 14 days. Sulfides must be removed as follows:

- Use lead acetate paper moistened with an acetic acid buffer solution to test for the presence of sulfide. Darkening of the lead acetate paper indicates sulfide is present in the sample.
- Add cadmium nitrate to be added to the sample in a manner similar to the ascorbic acid until the test is negative.
- Filter with a 0.45 micrometer (μm) filter and prefilter combination immediately after.

After chlorine and sulfide residuals have been eliminated, the pH must be adjusted to greater than 12.0 standard units (s.u.) and chilled to 4°C.

If cyanide is suspected to be present, the sampling personnel should bring all materials mentioned above to the sampling location.

VOCs

Sampling for VOCs requires the use of a glass vial. The vial should contain a teflon-coated septum seal. Volatiles will escape from the water to the air if any air is entrapped in the container. Therefore, the sample should be collected so that there are no air bubbles in the container after the screw cap and septum seal are applied. To ensure that air bubbles are not trapped in the vial, the following procedures should be followed:

- Fill the vial until a reverse meniscus forms above the top of the vial
- Screw on the cap (the excess sample will overflow)
- Invert the vial to check for the presence of air bubbles
- If air bubbles are observed, the vial should be opened, emptied, then completely refilled, and the first three actions should be repeated.

VOC samples should not be composited in the field. To composite a sample, the sampling personnel would have to mix it thoroughly. This mixing action would aerate the sample and cause volatiles to be lost. Therefore, VOC samples should be sent to the laboratory where they can be immediately, and carefully, composited and analyzed with minimal volatilization as per method Nos. 502.1, 502.2, 524.1, and 524.2 as described at 40 CFR 141.24(f)(14)(iv) and (v). There are two ways flow-weighted compositing of VOCs can be accomplished—mathematical compositing or procedural compositing as discussed below.

Mathematical Compositing

In this method, the grab samples are analyzed separately. The sampling personnel collect the requisite number of samples and send them to the laboratory. The laboratory performs the individual analyses on each sample. Five ml (or 25 ml if greater sensitivity is required) of each grab sample are placed into the purge vessel of the GC or GC/MS for analysis. Special precautions must be made to maintain zero headspace in the syringe used to transfer the VOC sample into the purge vessel of the GC or GC/MS. These analytical results are mathematically flow-weight composited

using the calculation in Exhibit 3-24. The concentrations (C) should be adjusted by using the following formula:

$$\textit{Adjusted Concentration} = \frac{\textit{Individual Aliquot Volume}}{\textit{Total Composite Sample}} \times C$$

Each sample concentration should be adjusted, and all adjusted concentrations added, to obtain the flow-weighted VOC composite using this method.

Procedural Compositing

For the second method, sampling personnel collect the requisite number of samples and provide the laboratory with flow-weighted values for each sample using the calculation in Exhibit 3-24. The laboratory technician then draws the necessary volume from each aliquot into an adequately sized syringe, physically combining the samples to result in a flow-weighted composite sample for VOC analysis. Necessary volumes are drawn into the syringe with a volume control fitting. The samples are thus composited directly in the syringe and then placed in the purge vessel of the GC or GC/MS. The advantage of this procedure is that only one analysis on the GC or GC/MS has to be performed.

Although the applicant is required to report only flow-weighted composite concentrations, the mathematical compositing method may provide more information, as it will indicate the concentrations of each separate grab sample. For example, if the procedural compositing method is employed and one of the samples has a high concentration and the other three have non-detectable concentrations, the result will be an average which does not represent the concentration in any of the separate grab samples. In certain cases it may be important to know the concentration of each grab as well as the composite concentration. The mathematical compositing method would be the most appropriate compositing method in these cases.

Organics and Pesticides

The procedures affecting organics and pesticides [base/neutral/acids and pesticide polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs)] are less complex than VOC procedures. Glass containers must be used for sample collection purposes, amber glass should be used to eliminate the potential for reactivity caused by light. These samples should be maintained at 4°C during storage and shipment. A preservative in

the form of 0.008 percent sodium thiosulfate ($Na_2S_2O_3$) must be added to organic samples if residual chlorine is present. To determine if chlorine is present, a small color indicator test kit can be used. Eighty ml of $Na_2S_2O_3$ per liter of sample must then be added and mixed well until chlorine tests indicate a negative result as per methods 604 and 625 of 40 CFR Part 136 Appendix A. The pH of pesticide samples must be adjusted to between 5 and 9 s.u.

Oil and Grease

O&G tends to adhere to the surfaces that it contacts. Therefore, it should not be transferred from one container to another; rather, a 1-liter container should be used to take the sample. The container used for O&G must be made of glass. A teflon insert should be included in the glass container's lid. However, if teflon is not available, aluminum foil extending out from under the lid may be used. Samples for O&G must be preserved by adding sulfuric acid (H_2SO_4) or hydrochloric acid (HC1) to a pH of less than 2 s.u. and then stored at 4°C.

Additional Considerations

Some pollutants have specific analysis requirements due to short holding times that the applicant must consider. For example:

- Requirements to analyze immediately (pH, total residual chlorine, temperature, sulfite, and dissolved oxygen)
- Requirements to preserve immediately and analyze within 6 hours (fecal coliform and fecal streptococcus)
- Requirements to analyze within 48 hours (BOD_5).

Because of these requirements, field testing equipment may need to be purchased, borrowed, or rented for those parameters that may require field analysis. If the laboratory is located nearby, analysis in the field may not be required.

Laboratories do not always operate in the evenings or on weekends. As a result, holding times for samples taken in the late afternoon or on a Friday may be exceeded. To prevent this from occurring, close coordination with laboratories is necessary. The latest date and time of delivery should be

established to avoid taking samples, only to discover they cannot be accepted by the laboratory and analyzed in accordance with 40 CFR Part 136 requirements.

3.6 SAMPLE VOLUMES

Exhibit 3-25 presents minimal suggested sample volumes for specific parameters. This exhibit should be consulted so that the proper volume is collected for analysis of each pollutant of concern. This exhibit may not include all parameters; if a particular parameter is not listed, refer to 40 CFR Part 136.

3.7 SAMPLE DOCUMENTATION

Information should be submitted to the laboratory with the sample to ensure proper handling by the laboratory. Exhibit 3-26 is an example form which can be used to document the following information.

- Unique Sample or Log Number - All samples should be assigned a unique identification number. If there is a serial number on the transportation case, the sampling personnel should add this number to the field records.

- Date and Time of Sample Collection - Date and time of sample collection (including notation of a.m. or p.m.) must be recorded. In the case of composite samples, the sequence of times and aliquot size should be noted.

- Source of Sample, Including Facility Name and Address - Use the outfall identification number from the site map with a narrative description; a diagram referring to the particular site where the sample was taken should be included.

- Name of Sampling Personnel - The names and initials of the persons taking the sample must be indicated. For a composite sample, the names of the persons installing the sampler and the names of the persons retrieving the sample should be included.

- Sample Type - Each sample should indicate whether it is a grab or composite sample. If the sample is a composite, the volume and frequency of individual aliquots should be noted.

- Preservation Used - Any preservatives (and the amount) added to the sample should be recorded. The method of preservation (e.g., refrigeration at 4°C) should be indicated.

- Analysis Required - All parameters for which the sample must be analyzed at the laboratory should be specified.

EXHIBIT 3-25. VOLUME OF SAMPLE REQUIRED FOR DETERMINATION OF THE VARIOUS CONSTITUENTS OF INDUSTRIAL WASTEWATER

Tests	Volume of Sample, ml*
Physical	
Color and odor**	100 to 500
Corrosivity**	flowing sample
Electrical conductivity**	100
pH, electrometric**	100
Radioactivity	100 to 1,000
Specific gravity**	100
Temperature**	flowing sample
Toxicity**	1,000 to 20,000
Turbidity**	100 to 1,000
Chemical	
VOCs	100
Dissolved Gases	
Ammonia,*** NH_3	500
Carbon Dioxide,*** free CO_2	200
Chlorine,*** free Cl_2	200
Hydrogen,*** H_2	1,000
Hydrogen sulfide,*** H_2S	500
Oxygen,*** O_2	500 to 1,000
Sulfur dioxide,*** free SO_2	100
Miscellaneous	
Acidity and alkalinity	100
Bacteria (fecal coliform)	500
Bacteria (fecal streptococcus)	100
Biochemical oxygen demand (BOD)	100 to 500
Carbon dioxide, total CO_2 (including CO_3^-, HCO_3^-, and free)	200
Chemical oxygen demand (dichromate)	50 to 100
Chlorine requirement	2,000 to 4,000
Chlorine, total residual Cl_2 (including OCl^-, HOCl, NH_2Cl, $NHCl_2$, and free)	200
Chloroform-extractable matter	1,000
Detergents	100 to 200
Hardness	50 to 100
Hydrazine	50 to 100

EXHIBIT 3-25. VOLUME OF SAMPLE REQUIRED FOR DETERMINATION OF THE VARIOUS CONSTITUENTS OF INDUSTRIAL WASTEWATER (Continued)

Tests	Volume of Sample, ml*
Miscellaneous (Continued)	
Micro-organisms	100 to 200
Volatile and filming amines	500 to 1,000
Oily matter	3,000 to 5,000
Organic nitrogen	500 to 1,000
Phenolic compounds	800 to 4,000
Polyphosphates	100 to 200
Silica	50 to 100
Solids, dissolved	100 to 20,000
Solids, suspended	50 to 1,000
Tannin and lignin	100 to 200
Cations	
Aluminum, Al+++	100 to 1,000
Ammonium,*** NH_4+	500
Antimony, Sb+++ to Sb+++++	100 to 1,000
Arsenic, As+++ to As+++++	100 to 1,000
Barium, Ba++	100 to 1,000
Cadmium, Cd++	100 to 1,000
Calcium, Ca++	100 to 1,000
Chromium, Cr+++ to Cr++++++	100 to 1,000
Copper, Cu++	200 to 4,000
Iron,*** Fe++ and Fe+++	100 to 1,000
Lead, Pb++	100 to 4,000
Magnesium, Mg++	100 to 1,000
Manganese, Mn++ to Mn+++++++	100 to 1,000
Mercury, Hg+ and Hg++	100 to 1,000
Potassium, Ni++	100 to 1,000
Nickel, Ni++	100 to 1,000
Silver, Ag+	100 to 1,000
Sodium, NA+	100 to 1,000
Strontium, Sr++	100 to 1,000
Tin, Sn++ and Sn++++	100 to 1,000
Zinc, Zn++	100 to 1,000

EXHIBIT 3-25. VOLUME OF SAMPLE REQUIRED FOR DETERMINATION OF THE VARIOUS CONSTITUENTS OF INDUSTRIAL WASTEWATER (Continued)

Tests	Volume of Sample, ml*
Anions	
Bicarbonate, HCO_3^-	100 to 200
Bromide, Br^-	100
Carbonate, CO_3^{--}	100 to 200
Chloride, Cl^-	25 to 100
Cyanide, Cn^-	25 to 100
Fluoride, Fl^-	200
Hydroxide, OH^-	50 to 100
Iodide, I^-	100
Nitrate, NO_3^-	10 to 100
Nitrite, NO_2^-	50 to 100
Phosphate, Ortho, PO_4^{--}, HPO_4^{--}, $H_2PO_4^-$	50 to 100
Sulfate, SO_4^{--}, HSO_4^-	100 to 1,000
Sulfide, S^{--}, HS^-	100 to 500
Sulfite, SO_3^{--}, HSO_3^-	50 to 100

*Volumes specified in this table should be considered as guides for the approximate quantity of sample necessary for a particular analysis. The exact quantity used should be consistent with the volume prescribed in the standard method of analysis, whenever a volume is specified.
**Aliquot may be used for other determinations.
***Samples for unstable constituents must be obtained in separate containers, preserved as prescribed, completely filled, and sealed against all exposure.

Source: Associated Water and Air Resource Engineers, Inc., 1973, *Handbook for Monitoring Industrial Wastewater*, EPA Technology Transfer.

- Flow - If flow is measured at the time of sampling, the measurement must be recorded and accompanied by a description of the flow measurement method and calculations.

- Date, Time, and Documentation of Sample Shipment - The shipment method (e.g., air, rail, or bus) as well as the shipping papers or manifest number should be noted.

- Comments - All relevant information pertaining to the sample or the sampling site should be recorded. Such comments could include the condition of the sample site, observed characteristics of the sample, environmental conditions that may affect the sample, and problems encountered during sampling.

EXHIBIT 3-26. FIELD SHEET FOR SAMPLE DOCUMENTATION		
Sample Source	Sample ID #	Date: XX/XX/XX
Facility Name		Time: XX:XX a.m./p.m.
Address	Person Performing Sampling	
Outfall ID #	Signature	
Description	Preservation Method	
Diagram of Site	Comments	
Flow Description	Ship Via: Stable Shipping Paper/Manifest	
Flow Calculations	Analysis Required	

3.8 SAMPLE IDENTIFICATION AND LABELING

Prior to collection of the sample, a waterproof, gummed sample identification label or tag should be attached to the sample container. This label should contain relevant information for sample analysis, such as:

- Facility name
- Name of the sample collector
- Sample identification number
- Date and time of sample collection
- Type of analysis required
- Location of sample collection
- Preservatives used
- Type of sample (grab or composite).

Sample lids should be used to protect the sample's integrity from the time it is collected to the time it is opened in the laboratory. The lid should contain the collector's name, the date and time the sample was collected, and a sample identification number. Information on the seal must be identical to the information on the label. In addition, the lid should be taped shut so that the seal must be broken to open the sample container. Caution should be taken to ensure that glue from tape and label tag wires do not contaminate samples, particularly those containing volatile organics and metals. Also, waterproof ink should be used to avoid smearing on the label from melted ice used for cooling.

3.9 SAMPLE PACKAGING AND SHIPPING

If the samples are not hand-delivered to the laboratory or analyzed in an onsite laboratory, they should be placed in a transportation case (e.g., a cooler) along with the chain-of-custody record form, pertinent field records, and analysis request forms, and shipped to the laboratory. Glass bottles should be wrapped in foam rubber, plastic bubble wrap, or other material to prevent breakage during shipment. The wrapping can be secured around the bottle with tape. The container lid should also be sealed with tape. Samples should be placed in ice or a synthetic ice substitute that

will maintain the sample temperature at 4°C throughout shipment. Ice should be placed in double-wrapped watertight bags so the water will not leak from the shipping case. Metal or heavy plastic ice chests make good sample transportation cases. Filament tape wrapped around each end of the ice chest ensures that it will not open during transport. Sampling records (preferably laminated or waterproof) can be placed in a waterproof envelope and taped to the inside of the transportation case to avoid getting them wet in case a sample container or an ice bag leaks. Shipping containers should also be sealed to prevent tampering. A copy of all sampling records should be kept onsite in case they are requested by the permitting authority.

Most samples will not require any special transportation precautions except careful packaging to prevent breakage and/or spillage. If the sample is shipped by common carrier or sent through the U.S. mail, it must comply with Department of Transportation Hazardous Materials Regulations (49 CFR Parts 171-177). Air shipment of hazardous materials samples may also be covered by requirements of the International Air Transport Association (IATA). Before shipping a sample, the facility should be aware of, and follow, any special shipping requirements. Special packing and shipping rules apply to substances considered hazardous materials as defined by IATA rules. Storm water samples are not generally considered hazardous materials, but in the event of a spill, leakage, etc., at the collection site hazardous materials may be present in the samples. Be aware, before sampling, of what hazardous materials may be in the discharge drainage area. If the presence of hazardous materials is suspected, do not sample unless properly trained.

3.10 CHAIN-OF-CUSTODY PROCEDURES

Once samples have been obtained and collection procedures are properly documented, a written record of the chain of custody of that sample should be made. This is recommended so the applicant can be confident that the samples have not been tampered with and that the sample once analyzed is representative of the storm water discharge. "Chain-of-custody" refers to the documented account of changes in possession that occur for a particular sample or set of samples. The chain-of-custody record allows an accurate step-by-step recreation of the sampling path, from origin through analysis. Information necessary in chain-of-custody is:

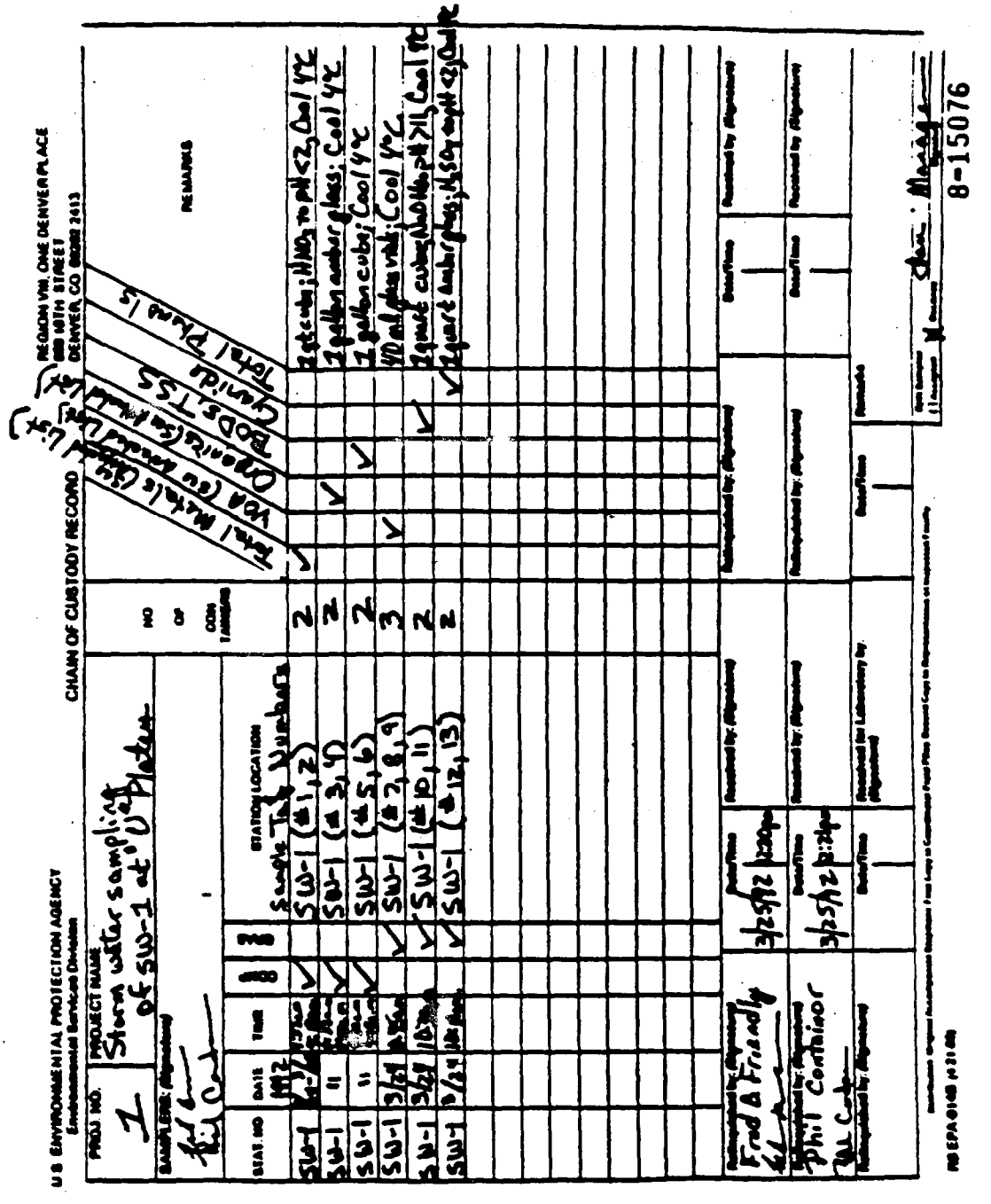
- Name of the persons collecting the sample
- Sample ID numbers

- Date and time of sample collection
- Location of sample collection
- Names and signatures of all persons handling the samples in the field and in the laboratory.

To ensure that all necessary information is documented, a chain-of-custody form should be developed. An example of such a form is found in Exhibit 3-27. Chain-of-custody forms should be printed on carbonless, multipart paper so all personnel handling the sample receive a copy. All sample shipments should be accompanied by the chain-of-custody record and a copy of these forms should be retained by the originator. In addition, all receipts associated with the shipment should be retained. Carriers typically will not sign for samples; therefore, seals must be used to verify that tampering has not occurred during shipment.

When transferring possession of samples, the transferee should sign and record the date and time on the chain-of-custody record. In general, custody transfers are made for each sample, although samples may be transferred as a group. Each person who takes custody should fill in the appropriate section of the chain-of-custody record.

EXHIBIT 3-27. EXAMPLE OF CHAIN-OF-CUSTODY FORM



Source: U.S. EPA, Region 8

4. ANALYTICAL CONSIDERATIONS

All storm water discharges must be sampled and analyzed in accordance with the test procedures provided in 40 CFR Part 136. This section discusses pollutant parameters which must be analyzed by storm water permit applicants. If the applicant wants to use an alternative test method, the facility must apply for approval (by submitting a description of the method to the permitting authority for approval) prior to application submission [see 40 CFR 136.4(d)(3)]. Section 5.4 elaborates on how to obtain approval for an analytical method for a parameter that is not included in 40 CFR Part 136. EPA-approved analytical methods at 40 CFR 136.3, Tables IB and IC are shown in Appendix C of this document.

When choosing the appropriate 40 CFR Part 136 analytical method, the applicant should consider sample interferences and potential field sampling error. Most method detection levels are established under ideal sample conditions (e.g., with little or no sample matrix interferences or sampling error). Thus, for storm water samples, the method chosen should account for sampling error and interferences.

4.1 INDUSTRIAL REQUIREMENTS

Industrial dischargers must provide information on the following parameters, as required in 40 CFR 122.26(c)(1)(i)(E):

- Any pollutant limited in an effluent guideline to which the facility is subject
- Any pollutant listed in the facility's NPDES permit for its process wastewater (if the facility has an existing NPDES permit)
- O&G, pH, BOD_5, COD, TSS, total phosphorus, TKN, and nitrate plus nitrite nitrogen
- Any pollutant known or believed to be present [as required in 40 CFR 122.21(g)(7)]
- Flow measurements or estimates of the flow rate, the total amount of discharge for the storm events sampled, and the method of flow measurement or estimation
- The date and duration (in hours) of the storm events sampled, rainfall measurements or estimates of the storm event (in inches) which generated the sampled runoff, and the time between the storm event sampled and the end of the previous measurable (greater than 0.1 inch rainfall) storm event (in hours).

4.1.1 INDIVIDUAL APPLICANTS

Industrial facilities submitting an individual permit application must provide sampling data in three parts of the Form 2F application form as discussed below. (Form 2F restates requirements listed in 40 CFR 122.21 and 122.26).

Section VII.A Parameters

Section VII.A of Form 2F requires the facility to sample (grab and flow-weighted samples) for O&G, BOD_5, COD, TSS, TKN, nitrate plus nitrite nitrogen, total phosphorus, and pH. These parameters are to be monitored by every facility applying for a storm water discharge permit, regardless of the type of operations that exist at the site. Sampling for additional parameters may be required, depending on the type of facility applying for the permit or the pollutants expected to be present in the discharge. These additional requirements are discussed in detail below.

Section VII.B Parameters

Section VII-B of Form 2F requires the applicant to identify all pollutants that are limited in an effluent guideline to which the facility is subject, as well as other toxic and nonconventional pollutants listed in the facility's NPDES permit for its process wastewater. EPA interprets that for pollutants listed in NPDES process wastewater permits, at a minimum, facilities must sample their storm water discharge for those pollutants specifically limited in their process wastewater permit. States can be more stringent, however, and may interpret this requirement to mean all pollutants listed in the permit. Once these parameters are identified, the applicant will be required to sample for these parameters by both grab and flow-weighted composite samples, except for the specified pollutants which must be grab sampled only. Form 2F requires the applicant to submit maximum values. The average values column is not compulsory, but should be completed if data are available. Applicable effluent guidelines appear in 40 CFR Parts 405-471. A listing of the Subchapter N—Effluent Guidelines and Standards by which the applicant may be regulated appears in Exhibit 4-1. The applicant must refer to the effluent guidelines and standards for the particular industry, and should determine which guidelines apply and which parameters should be listed in Section VII.B of Form 2F.

EXHIBIT 4-1. SUBCHAPTER N-EFFLUENT GUIDELINES AND STANDARDS

Part	Effluent Guidelines and Standards	Part	Effluent Guidelines and Standards
405	Dairy Products Processing Point Source Category	431	Builder's Paper and Board Mills Point Source Category
406	Grain Mils Point Source Category	432	Meat Products Point Source Category
407	Canned and Preserved Fruits and Vegetables Point Source Category	433	Metal Finishing Point Source Category
408	Canned and Preserved Seafood Point Source Category	434	Coal Mining Point Source Category
409	Sugar Processing Point Source Category	435	Oil and Gas Extraction Point Source Category
410	Textile Mills Point Source Category	436	Mineral Mining and Processing Point Source Category
411	Cement Manufacturing Point Source Category	439	Pharmaceutical Manufacturing Point Source Category
412	Feedlots Point Source Category	440	Ore Mining and Dressing Point Source Category
413	Electroplating Point Source Category	443	Paving and Roofing Point Source Category
414	Organic Chemicals, Plastics, and Synthetic Fibers Point Source Category	446	Paint Formulating Point Source Category
415	Inorganic Chemicals Manufacturing Point Source Category	447	Ink Formulating Point Source Category
416	(Reserved)	454	Gum and Wood Chemicals Manufacturing Point Source Category
417	Soap and Detergent Manufacturing Point Source Category	455	Pesticide Chemicals Manufacturing Point Source Category
418	Fertilizer Manufacturing Point Source Category	457	Explosives Manufacturing Point Source Category
419	Petroleum Refining Manufacturing Point Source Category	458	Carbon Black Manufacturing Point Source Category
420	Iron and Steel Manufacturing Point Source Category	459	Photographic Point Source Category
421	Nonferrous Metals Manufacturing Point Source Category	460	Hospital Point Source Category
422	Phosphate Manufacturing Point Source Category	461	Battery Manufacturing Point Source Category
423	Steam Electric Power Generating Point Source Category	463	Plastics Molding and Forming Point Source Category
424	Ferroalloy Manufacturing Point Source Category	464	Metal Molding and Casting Point Source Category
425	Leather Tanning and Finishing Point Source Category	465	Coil Coating Point Source Category
426	Glass Manufacturing Point Source Category	466	Porcelain Enameling Point Source Category
427	Asbestos Manufacturing Point Source Category	467	Aluminum Forming Point Source Category
428	Rubber Manufacturing Point Source Category	468	Copper Forming Point Source Category
429	Timber Products Processing Point Source Category	469	Electrical and Electronic Components Point Source Category
430	Pulp, Paper and Paperboard Point Source Category	471	Nonferrous Metals Forming and Metal Powders Point Source Category

Section VII.C Parameters

Section VII.C requires the applicant to list, for each outfall, each pollutant described in 40 CFR Part 122, Appendix D, Tables II, III, IV, and V (Tables 2F-2, 2F-3, and 2F-4 of application Form 2F) that it knows, or has reason to believe, may be present in the storm water discharge. These pollutants consist of conventional and nonconventional pollutants, toxic pollutants and total phenol, Gas Chromatography/Mass Spectrometry (GC/MS) fraction volatile compounds, acid compounds, base/neutral compounds, pesticides, and hazardous substances. These tables are also provided on the back of Form 2F. Tables II and III of 40 CFR Part 122 Appendix D have been combined in Table 2F-3 of application Form 2F. Table IV of 40 CFR Part 122 Appendix D is listed as Table 2F-2 of application Form 2F and Table V of 40 CFR Part 122 Appendix D is listed as Table 2F-4 of application Form 2F. There are specific requirements associated with each table. If pollutants in Table IV of 40 CFR Part 122 Appendix D (Table 2F-2 of application Form 2F), are directly or indirectly limited by an effluent guideline limitation, the applicant must analyze for it and report the data. For other pollutants listed in Table IV of 40 CFR Part 122 Appendix D (Table 2F-2 of the application form), the applicant must either report quantitative data, if available, or briefly describe the reasons the pollutant is expected to be in the discharge.

For every pollutant in Tables II and III of 40 CFR Part 122 Appendix D (Table 2F-3 of application Form 2F) expected to be discharged in concentrations of 10 parts per billion (ppb) or greater, the applicant must submit quantitative data. For acrolein, acrylonitrile, 2,4-dinitrophenol, and 2-methyl-4,6-dinitrophenol, the applicant must submit quantitative data if any of these four pollutants is expected to be discharged in concentrations of 100 ppb or greater. For every pollutant expected to be discharged with a concentration less than 10 ppb (or 100 ppb for the four parameters mentioned above), the applicant must either submit quantitative data or briefly explain why the pollutant is expected to be discharged.

For the parameters identified in Table V of 40 CFR Part 122 Appendix D (Table 2F-4 of application Form 2F) that the applicant believes to be present in the discharge, no sampling is required. If previous analyses of these parameters were conducted, the results must be reported. Otherwise, the applicant is required to explain why these pollutants are believed to be present.

Small Business Exemption

Small businesses are exempted from the reporting requirements for the organic toxic pollutants presented in 40 CFR Part 122, Table II of Appendix D. Applicants can claim a small business exemption if:

- The facility is a coal mine and the probable annual production is less than 100,000 tons per year. The applicant may submit past production data or estimate future production data instead of conducting analyses for the organic toxic pollutants listed in Table 2F-3 of application Form 2F.
- The facility is not a coal mine, and the gross total annual sales for the most recent 3 years is, on average, less than $100,000 per year (reflected in second quarter 1980 dollars). The applicant may submit sales data for those years instead of conducting analyses for the organic toxic pollutants listed in Table 2F-3 of application Form 2F.

Section VIII

Section VIII of Form 2F requires the applicant to provide biological toxicity testing data for storm water discharges associated with industrial activity. Applicants are required to perform biological toxicity testing for the storm water application if the facility's NPDES permit for its process wastewater lists biological toxicity (EPA interprets "listed" as limited). For example, if a facility's NPDES process wastewater permit has an acute toxicity limit of a lethal concentration (LC_{50}), equal to 75 percent effluent using ceriodaphnia, then that facility must also test its storm water discharges associated with industrial activity and report the results of the tests in Section VIII of Form 2F.

Until whole effluent toxicity methods are promulgated by EPA in 40 CFR Part 136, toxicity testing should be conducted using the most appropriate methods and species as determined by the permitting authority. In the absence of State acute toxicity testing protocols, EPA recommends using the methods described in Methods for Measuring the Acute Toxicity of Effluents and Receiving Waters to Fresh Water and Marine Organisms. EPA/600/4-90-027 (Rev. September 1991)

4.1.2 GROUP APPLICANTS

Industrial facilities submitting a group application must also provide sampling data (from the sampling subgroup) which is required to be submitted in Sections VII, VIII, and IX along with the certification in Section X of Form 2F. At a minimum, these parameters include O&G, BOD_5, COD,

TSS, TKN, nitrate plus nitrite nitrogen, total phosphorous, and pH. Furthermore, all pollutants listed in an effluent guideline or limited in an NPDES permit applicable to the sampling facilities within the group must be sampled, as well as pollutants suspected of being present based on significant materials and industrial activities present onsite.

4.2 MUNICIPAL REQUIREMENTS

For Part 1 of the municipal permit application, municipalities must submit samples from the field screening effort for pH, total chlorine, total copper, phenol, and detergents (or surfactants). A narrative description of the color, odor, turbidity, and presence of oil sheen and surface scum must be included. For Part 2 of the permit application, municipalities must provide quantitative data for the organic pollutants listed in Table II of 40 CFR Part 122 Appendix D, and the pollutants listed in 40 CFR Part 122, Appendix D, Table III, as well as some additional pollutants. These pollutants are listed in Exhibit 4-2.

Furthermore, 40 CFR 122.26(d)(2)(iii)(A)(5) requires that estimates be provided of the annual pollutant load of the cumulative discharges to waters of the U.S. from all identified municipal outfalls, and the event mean concentration of the cumulative discharges to waters of the U.S. from all identified municipal outfalls during storm events for the parameters listed in Exhibit 4-2. Estimates of the parameters must be accompanied by a description of the procedures for estimating constituent loads and concentrations, including any modelling, data analysis, and calculation methods.

EXHIBIT 4-2. PARAMETERS WHICH MUST BE ANALYZED BY MUNICIPAL APPLICANTS

Pollutants Contained in Table III of 40 CFR Part 122, Appendix D				
Total antimony	Total cadmium	Total lead	Total selenium	Total zinc
Total arsenic	Total chromium	Total mercury	Total silver	Total cyanide
Total beryllium	Total copper	Total nickel	Total thallium	Total phenols
Pollutants Contained in Table II of 40 CFR Part 122, Appendix D				
Acrolein	Toluene	Benzo(a)pyrene	2,6-dinitrotoluene	Gamma-BHC
Acrylonitrile	1,2-trans-dichloroethylene	3,4-benzofluoranthene	Di-n-octyl phthalate	Delta-BHC
Benzene	1,1,1-trichloroethane	Benzo(ghi)perylene	1,2-diphenylhydrazine	Chlordane
Bromoform	1,1,2-trichloroethane	Benzo(k)fluoranthene	Fluoranthene	4,4'-DDT
Carbon Tetrachloride	Trichloroethylene	Bis(2-chloroethoxy)methane	Fluorene	4,4'-DDE
Chlorobenzene	Vinyl chloride	Bis(2-chloroethyl)ether	Hexachlorobenzene	4,4'-DDD
Chlorodibromo-methane	2-chlorophenol	Bis(2-chloroisopropyl)ether	Hexachlorobutadiene	Dieldrin
Chloroethane	2,4-dichlorophenol	Bis(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate	Hexachlorocyclopen-tadiene	Alpha-endosulfan
2-Chloroethylvinyl ether	2,4-dimethylphenol	4-bromophenyl phenyl ether	Hexachloroethane	Beta-endosulfan
Chloroform	4,6-dinitro-o-cresol	Butylbenzyl phthalate	Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene	Endosulfan sulfate
Dichlorobromo-methane	2,4-dinitrophenol	2-chloronaphthalene	Isophorone	Endrin
1,1-dichloroethane	2-nitrophenol	4-chlorophenyl phenyl ether	Naphthalene	Endrin aldehyde
1,2-dichloroethane	4-nitrophenol	Chrysene	Nitrobenzene	Heptachlor
1,1-dichloroethylene	p-chloro-m-cresol	Dibenzo(a,h)anthracene	N-nitrosodimethylamine	Heptachlor epoxide
1,2-dichloropropane	Pentachlorophenol	1,2-dichlorobenzene	N-nitrosodi-n-propylamine	PCB-1242
1,3-dichloropropylene	Phenol	1,3-dichlorobenzene	N-nitrosodiphenylamine	PCB-1254
Ethylbenzene	2,4,6-trichlorophenol	1,4-dichlorobenzene	Phenanthrene	PCB-1221
Methyl bromide	Acenaphthene	3,3-dichlorobenzidine	Pyrene	PCB-1232
Methyl chloride	Acenaphthylene	Diethyl phthalate	1,2,4-trichlorobenzene	PCB-1248
Methylene chloride	Anthracene	Dimethyl phthalate	Aldrin	PCB-1260
1,1,2,2-tetrachloroethane	Benzidine	Di-n-butyl phthalate	Alpha-BHC	PCB-1016
Tetrachloroethylene	Benzo(a)anthracene	2,4-dinitrotoluene	Beta-BHC	Toxaphene

Additional Pollutants Which Must be Analyzed		
TSS	O&G	TKN
TDS	Fecal coliform	Nitrate plus nitrite nitrogen
COD	Fecal streptococcus	Total and dissolved phosphorus
BOD_5	pH	
	Total residual chlorine	

Source: 40 CFR Part 122, Appendix D

5. FLEXIBILITY IN SAMPLING

The requirements for storm water sampling for permit applications offer some flexibility by the permitting authority. The areas of flexibility are discussed below.

5.1 PROTOCOL MODIFICATIONS

The permitting authority may allow sampling protocol modifications for specific requirements on a case-by-case basis. For example, the permitting authority may accept application forms with incomplete sampling data if there was no rainfall at the applicant's facility prior to the submission deadline. However, the permitting authority will require that sampling data be submitted as soon as possible. The reason for not submitting data must be certified by a corporate official (for industrial facilities) or the principal executive officer or ranking official (for municipalities).

Another area where permitting authorities may allow flexibility in storm water sampling is acceptance of quantitative data from a storm event that does not meet the representative rainfall criteria of within 50 percent of the volume and duration for the average storm event for the area. The permitting authority may decide that the discharge data provided is better than no data at all.

In addition, the permitting authority may establish appropriate site-specific sampling procedures or requirements, including sampling locations; the season in which the sampling takes place; the minimum duration between the previous measurable storm event and the storm event sampled; the minimum or maximum level of precipitation required for an appropriate storm event; the form of precipitation sampled (snow melt or rainfall); protocols for collecting samples under 40 CFR Part 136; and additional time for submitting data on a case-by-case basis. The permitting authority should be contacted for preapproval of any necessary protocol modifications. In the case of group applications, EPA Headquarters should be contacted.

5.2 PETITION FOR SUBSTITUTING SUBSTANTIALLY IDENTICAL EFFLUENTS

As described at 40 CFR 122.21(g)(7), when an industrial applicant has two or more outfalls with substantially identical effluents, the permitting authority may allow the applicant to test only one outfall and to report that the quantitative data also apply to the substantially identical outfalls. In the case of group applications, the petition must be submitted to EPA Headquarters.

For facilities seeking to demonstrate that storm water outfalls are substantially identical, a variety of methods can be used as determined by the permitting authority. Three possible petition options are discussed here: (1) submission of a narrative description and a site map; (2) submission of matrices; or (3) submission of model matrices. Detailed guidance on each of the three options for demonstrating substantially identical outfalls is provided below. An owner/operator certification should be submitted with each option. See Section 5.2.3 for an example of this certification.

5.2.1 OPTION ONE: NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION/SITE MAP

Facilities demonstrating that storm water outfalls are substantially identical may submit a narrative description of the facility and a site map to the permitting authority . The narrative portion must include a description of why the outfalls are substantially identical. Petitioners may demonstrate that these outfalls contain storm water discharges associated with:

- Substantially identical industrial activities and processes;
- Substantially identical significant materials that may be exposed to storm water [including, but not limited to, raw materials, fuels, materials such as solvents, detergents, and plastic pellets; finished materials such as metallic products; raw materials used in food processing or production; hazardous substances designated under Section 101(14) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA); any chemical the facility is required to report pursuant to Section 313 of Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA); fertilizers; pesticides; and waste products such as ashes, slag, and sludge that have the potential to be released with storm water discharges as per 40 CFR 122.26(b)(12)];
- Substantially identical storm water management practices (such as retention ponds, enclosed areas, diversion dikes, gutters, and swales) and material management practices (such as protective coverings and secondary containment); and
- Substantially identical flows, as determined by the estimated runoff coefficient and approximate drainage area at each outfall.

The site map should include an indication of the facility's topography; each of the drainage and discharge structures; the drainage area of each storm water outfall; paved areas and buildings within the drainage area for each storm water outfall; all past or present areas used for outdoor storage or disposal of significant materials; identification of the significant materials in each drainage area; and identification of each existing structural control measures used to reduce pollutants in storm water

runoff, materials loading and access areas, and areas where pesticides, herbicides, soil conditioners, and fertilizers are applied.

Exhibit 5-1 offers an example of a narrative description/site map petition that sufficiently demonstrates identical outfalls. A demonstration of how to determine runoff coefficient estimates was presented in Section 3.2.2. Exhibit 5-2 presents an example of a site map to be included with the narrative description.

5.2.2 OPTION TWO: USE OF MATRICES TO INDICATE IDENTICAL OUTFALLS

Facilities attempting to demonstrate that storm water outfalls are substantially identical may submit matrices and an owner/operator certification describing specific information associated with each outfall to the permitting authority. Matrix information is required only for those outfalls that the permit applicant is attempting to demonstrate are identical, not for all outfalls. Petitioners must demonstrate, using the matrices, that the outfalls have storm water discharges that meet the criteria listed in Section 5.2.1. Refer to Exhibit 5-3 for examples of matrices that demonstrate substantially identical outfalls and Section 3.2.2 for guidance on determining runoff coefficient estimates.

5.2.3 OPTION THREE: MODEL MATRICES

Facilities attempting to demonstrate that storm water outfalls are substantially identical may submit model matrices and an owner/operator certification to the permitting authority. This option is particularly appropriate for facilities with a large number of storm water outfalls and the potential for numerous groupings of identical outfalls. In addition, this option may be useful in group applications that have a large sampling subgroup.

Model matrices should contain information for <u>one grouping of substantially identical outfalls</u>. For example, if a facility has 150 outfalls and several groupings of identical outfalls, the facility would <u>choose one</u> of the groupings of identical outfalls to provide information in the model matrices. The petitioner must demonstrate, using these matrices, that all outfalls within this grouping have storm water discharges that meet the criteria listed in Section 5.2.1.

The facility should provide an owner certification that all other groupings of outfalls have been examined and certified as substantially identical outfalls according to the criteria established in the

EXHIBIT 5-1. PETITION TO SAMPLE SUBSTANTIALLY IDENTICAL OUTFALLS (NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION/SITE MAP)

Examples

I. The Pepper Company of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, is primarily engaged in manufacturing paperboard, including paperboard coated on the paperboard machine (from wood pulp and other fiber pulp). This establishment is classified under SIC code 2631. Pursuant to the November 16, 1990, NPDES storm water permit application regulations, this facility is considered to be "engaging in industrial activity" for the purposes of storm water permit application requirements in 40 CFR 122.26(b)(14)(i) and (ii).

II. "When an applicant has two or more outfalls with substantially identical effluents, the Director may allow the applicant to test only one outfall and report that the quantitative data also apply to the substantially identical outfalls." [40 CFR 122.21(g)(7)]

In accordance with 40 CFR 122.21(g)(7) of the NPDES regulations, The Pepper Company hereby petitions the State of Pennsylvania (the permitting authority) for approval to sample certain representative storm water outfalls in groupings of storm water outfalls that are substantially identical. The Pepper Company will demonstrate that of the ten (10) outfalls discharging storm water from our paperboard manufacturing plant, there are two pairs of substantially identical outfalls. Outfalls 3 and 4 are substantially identical and should be grouped together. Outfalls 8 and 9 are substantially identical and should be grouped together. Outfalls 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, and 10 have distinct characteristics and, therefore, will not be grouped together with other outfalls for the purposes of storm water discharge sampling.

III. The Pepper Company will demonstrate that the substantially identical outfalls that have been grouped together contain storm water discharges associated with: (1) substantially identical industrial activities and processes that are occurring outdoors; (2) substantially identical significant materials (including raw materials, fuels, finished materials, waste products, and material handling equipment) that may be exposed to storm water; (3) substantially identical material management practices (such as runoff diversions, gutters and swales, protective coverings, and structural enclosures); and (4) substantially identical flows, as determined by the estimated runoff coefficient and approximate drainage area at each outfall.

EXHIBIT 5-1. PETITION TO SAMPLE SUBSTANTIALLY IDENTICAL OUTFALLS (NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION/SITE MAP) (Continued)

1. Industrial Activities

A. Description of Industrial Activities at the Pepper Company

The Pepper Company receives wastepaper in bales. This baled wastepaper is sent through a hydropulper and converted to pulp. The fiber material is concentrated, stored, and then drawn through refiners to the paper machines. Wires, plastics, and miscellaneous material are removed during the pulping.

Three systems are used to produce top liner, back paper, and filler. The highest quality fiber is used for the top liner, the medium quality is used for the back paper, and the poorest quality is used for the filler paper. Wireforming or conventional boxboard processes are employed to produce clay-coated boxboard, using a water-based clay-coating material. Additional materials may be used as binders. These are stored indoors and are not exposed to precipitation. Ammonia is used in the clay-coating process. Off-grade fiber and trim material are ground up and returned to the liquid process stream. Slime control agents, consisting of bactericides, are used in association with this process. These agents are organic materials used to prevent souring of mill operations. They are received in drums and stored indoors. Empty drums are returned to the supplier to reuse. In addition, the Pepper Company operates an onsite landfill for the disposal of miscellaneous waste materials removed during pulping and paper cuttings operations.

B. Demonstration of Why Outfalls Are Substantially Identical in Terms of Industrial Activities Conducted Outdoors.

Outfalls 3 and 4

Outfalls 3 and 4 are substantially identical in terms of industrial activities conducted outdoors. Both outfalls contain storm water discharges associated with the outdoor storage of baled wastepaper. The wastepaper, which consists of old corrugated containers, mixed paper, and other types of wastepaper, is received weekly and stored for up to 3 weeks in Storage Areas #1 and #2. These uncovered storage areas are enclosed by chain-link fencing.

Outfalls 8 and 9

Outfalls 8 and 9 drain storm water runoff from areas where all industrial activities occur indoors. The industrial activities occurring under roof cover at these two outfalls include hydropulping, storage of concentrated fiber material, refining, and paperboard production. These industrial processes have no potential for contact with precipitation.

EXHIBIT 5-1. PETITION TO SAMPLE SUBSTANTIALLY IDENTICAL OUTFALLS (NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION/SITE MAP) (Continued)

2. Significant Materials

A. Description of Significant Materials at the Pepper Company

The significant materials listed below are used by the Pepper Company to manufacture paperboard. These materials are stored indoors, unless otherwise indicated.

(i) Raw materials, including baled wastepaper (off-spec damaged paper stock or recycled paper) **[wastepaper is stored outdoors at Storage Areas #1 and #2]**; clays, ammonias, sizings, and slime control agents (chlorine dioxide); caustic; ammonia, which is stored in two tanks. **[See Storage Area #3]**.

(ii) Waste Materials, including miscellaneous materials removed during pulping and paper cuttings (such as staples, rubber bands, styrofoam, etc.). These waste materials are stored indoors in open dumpsters. However, prior to disposing of the waste in the onsite landfill, these dumpsters are moved outdoors where they are potentially exposed to precipitation for 12 hours or less. **[See Storage Area #3]**.

(iii) Finished Products, including paperboard and molded fiber products. These are always stored indoors.

(iv) Others, including wood pallets (which are used to transport and haul raw materials, waste materials, and finished products) are stored both indoors and outdoors. **[See Storage Area #3]**. The Pepper Company has an above-ground fuel tank with a pump. **[See Storage Area #3]**.

B. Demonstration of Why Outfalls are Substantially Identical in Terms of Significant Materials that Potentially May be Exposed to Storm Water

Outfalls 3 and 4

Outfalls 3 and 4 are substantially identical in terms of significant materials that may be exposed to storm water. Both outfalls contain storm water discharges associated with the outdoor storage of baled wastepaper. The wastepaper, which consists of old corrugated containers, mixed paper, and other types of wastepaper, is received weekly and stored for up to 3 weeks in Storage Areas #1 and #2. These uncovered storage areas are enclosed by chain-link fencing.

Outfalls 8 and 9

Outfalls 8 and 9 are substantially identical in terms of significant materials. Both outfalls contain storm water runoff from areas that have no significant materials potentially exposed to storm water. All industrial activities occurring in the areas drained by Outfalls 8 and 9 occur completely indoors.

EXHIBIT 5-1. PETITION TO SAMPLE SUBSTANTIALLY IDENTICAL OUTFALLS (NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION/SITE MAP) (Continued)

3. Material Management Practices

A. Description of Material Management Practices at the Pepper Company

The Pepper Company uses a wide range of storm water management practices and material management practices to limit the contact of significant materials with precipitation. Non-structural storm water management practices include employee training, spill reporting and clean-up, and spill prevention techniques. Structural storm water management practices include:

(i) Diversion Devices (both above-ground trenches and subterranean drains) are used to divert surface water from entering a potentially contaminated area.

(ii) Gutters/Swales (constructed of concrete or grass) channel storm water runoff to drainage systems leading to separate storm sewers.

(iv) Overland Flow (which is the flow of storm water over vegetative areas prior to entrance into a storm water conveyance) allows much of the storm water to infiltrate into the ground. The remainder is naturally filtered prior to reaching the storm water conveyance. This is not considered sheet flow since natural drainage channels may be carved out during a heavy storm event.

B. Demonstration of Why Outfalls Are Substantially Identical in Terms of Storm Water Management Practices Used

Outfalls 3 and 4

Outfalls 3 and 4 are substantially identical in terms of storm water management practices used. Both outfalls contain storm water discharges associated with the outdoor storage of baled wastepaper, located in Storage Areas #1 and #2. Concrete gutters at both sites channel storm water away from the storage areas down to the respective outfalls.

Outfalls 8 and 9

Outfalls 8 and 9 are substantially identical in terms of storm water management practices used. Both outfalls contain storm water runoff from areas that have no significant materials potentially exposed to storm water. All industrial activities occurring in the areas drained by Outfalls 8 and 9 occur completely indoors. Both outfalls receive overland flow storm water. From roof drains, the storm water in both drainage areas is then conveyed over similarly graded vegetative areas prior to entrance into the respective outfalls.

EXHIBIT 5-1. PETITION TO SAMPLE SUBSTANTIALLY IDENTICAL OUTFALLS (NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION/SITE MAP) (Continued)

4. Flow Characteristics

A. Demonstration of Why Outfalls Are Substantially Identical in Terms of Flow, as Determined by The Estimated Runoff Coefficient and Approximate Drainage Area at Each Outfall

Outfalls 3 and 4

Outfalls 3 and 4 are substantially identical in terms of flow. Both drainage areas have a 2 to 7 percent grade and contain fine textured soil (greater than 40 percent clay) with a vegetative cover. The estimated runoff coefficient for both outfalls is .2. The approximate drainage area for each outfall is similar. Outfall 3 has an approximate drainage area of 3,500 square feet. Outfall 4 has an approximate drainage area of 2,900 square feet.

Outfalls 8 and 9

Outfalls 8 and 9 are substantially identical in terms of flow. Both drainage areas have a 2 to 7 percent grade and contain fine textured soil (greater than 40 percent clay) with a vegetative cover. The estimated runoff coefficient for both outfalls is .2. The approximate drainage area for each outfall is similar. Outfall 8 has an approximate drainage area of 7,600 square feet. Outfall 9 has an approximate drainage area of 8,700 square feet.

EXHIBIT 5-2. SITE MAP

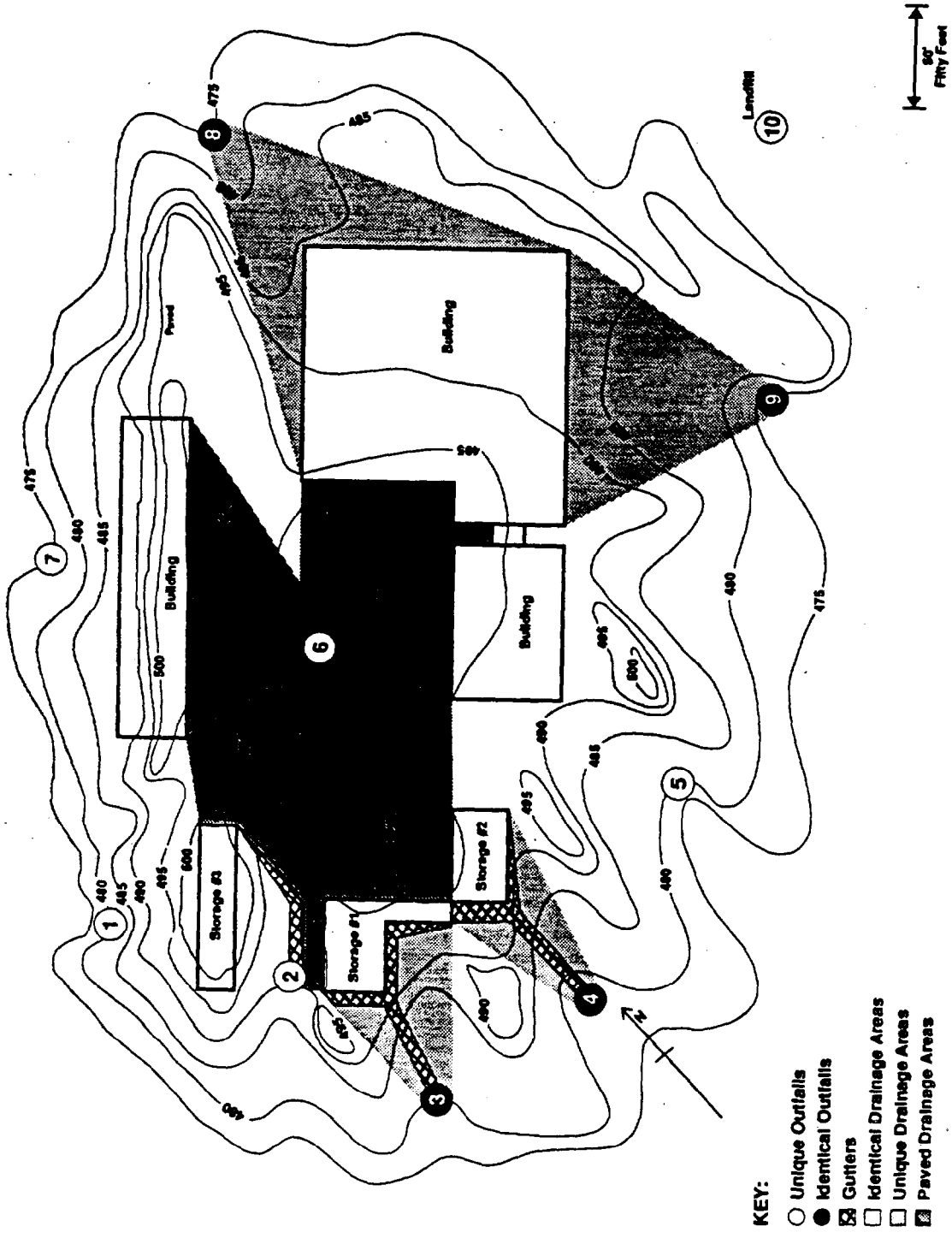


EXHIBIT 5.3 MATRICES DEMONSTRATING SUBSTANTIALLY IDENTICAL OUTFALLS

Industrial Activities

OUTFALL	A	B	C	D	E
3	X	--	--	X	--
4	X	--	--	X	--
8	--	--	--	--	--
9	--	--	--	--	--

Key:

A = Outdoor storage of raw materials and material-handling equipment
B = Fueling
C = Waste materials storage (dumpster)
D = Loading/unloading of raw materials, intermediate products, and final products
E = Landfill activity

Significant Materials That May Be Exposed to Storm Water

OUTFALL	A	B	C	D	E	F
3	-	--	--	--	X	--
4	--	--	--	--	X	--
8	--	--	--	--	--	--
9	--	--	--	--	--	--

Key:

A = Outdoor ammonia tank
B = Wood pallets
C = Above ground gas tank
D = Waste materials
E = Baled wastepaper
F = Finished products

EXHIBIT 5.3 MATRICES DEMONSTRATING SUBSTANTIALLY IDENTICAL OUTFALLS (Continued)

Storm Water Management Practices

OUTFALL	A	B	C
3	--	X	--
4	--	X	--
8	--	--	X
9	--	--	X

Key:

A = Runoff diversions
B = Gutters/swales
C = Overland flow (not sheet flow; flow through vegetative areas)

Flow Characteristics

OUTFALL	A	B
3	0.2	3,500
4	0.2	2,900
8	0.2	7,600
9	0.2	8,700

Key:

A = Estimated runoff coefficient
B = Approximate drainage area of outfall (square feet)

model matrices described in Exhibit 5-3. The owner/operator who signs documents in this section should include the following certification:

> "I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations" [as per 40 CFR 122.22(d)].

5.3 ALTERNATE 40 CFR PART 136 METHOD

As required in 40 CFR 136.4, the applicant must request the approval of an alternate test procedure in writing (in triplicate) prior to testing. The request must be submitted to the Regional Administrator through the Director of the State agency responsible for issuing NPDES permits. The applicant must:

- Provide the name and address of the responsible person or firm making the discharge (if not the applicant), the applicable identification number of the existing or pending permit, the issuing agency, the type of permit for which the alternate test procedure is requested, and the discharge serial number;
- Identify the pollutant or parameter for which approval of an alternate testing procedure is being requested;
- Provide justification for using testing procedures other than those specified in 40 CFR Part 136;
- Provide a detailed description of the proposed alternate test procedure, together with references to published studies of the applicability of the alternate test procedure to the effluents in question;
- Provide comparability data (for applicants applying for nation wide approval of an alternative test procedures).

The permitting authority will notify the applicant within 90 days regarding the approval of the alternate method.

5.4 LACK OF METHOD IN 40 CFR PART 136

If a specific pollutant that must be tested does not have a corresponding analytical method listed in 40 CFR Part 136, the applicant must submit information on an appropriate method to be used. The permitting authority must approve its use prior to collection and analysis of sampling data. The laboratory should be consulted for suggestions and information about analytical methods that can be used. All information justifying the alternative method should be sent to the permitting authority prior to use.

6. HEALTH AND SAFETY

Storm water sampling activities may occur when the sampling environment and/or storm water discharges create hazardous conditions. Hazardous conditions associated with sampling include:

- Hazardous weather conditions (e.g., wind, lightning, flooding, etc.)
- Sampling in confined spaces (e.g., manholes)
- Hazards associated with chemicals
- Biological hazards (e.g., rodents and snakes)
- Physical hazards (e.g., traffic, falling objects, sharp edges, slippery footing, and the potential for lifting injuries from opening or removing access panels and manhole covers, etc.)

It is essential that sampling personnel be aware of these hazards. Sampling personnel should be trained to evaluate potentially hazardous situations and develop ways for handling them. Since sampling hazards can be life threatening, safety must be the highest priority for all personnel. This chapter outlines general health and safety issues and concerns. Additional references discussed below should be consulted for more specific guidance to avoid adverse health and safety situations.

6.1 GENERAL TRAINING REQUIREMENTS

Preparation and training of all sampling personnel should be completed before beginning any sampling task. Extreme care should be taken to allow for safety precautions including proper equipment and appropriate operational techniques, sufficient time to accomplish the task, training on potential hazards, and emergency procedures. EPA's Order 1440.2 sets out the policy, responsibilities, and mandatory requirements for the safety of personnel who are involved in sampling activities. This order, which is found within the EPA NPDES Compliance Monitoring Inspector Training: Sampling manual, provides further guidance to applicants' storm water sampling personnel. Basic emergency precautions include having access to both local emergency phone numbers and communication equipment (i.e., phones or radios), and ensuring that personnel are trained in first aid and carry first aid equipment.

6.2 NECESSARY SAFETY EQUIPMENT

Exhibit 6-1 contains a list of safety equipment that may be appropriate depending on the characteristics of the sampling site.

EXHIBIT 6-1. LIST OF SAFETY EQUIPMENT	
Flashlight	18-inch traffic cones
Meters (for oxygen, explosivity, toxic gases)	Insect/rodent repellant
Ladder	Ventilation equipment
Safety harness	50 feet of 1/2-inch nylon rope
Hard hat	Safety shoes
Safety goggles	Rain wear
Coveralls	Gloves (rubber)
Respirator	First aid kit
Reflective vests	Self-contained breathing apparatus
Source: Adapted from NPDES Compliance Monitoring Inspector Training: Sampling, U.S. EPA, August 1990.	

6.3 HAZARDOUS WEATHER CONDITIONS

Common sense should dictate whether sampling be conducted during adverse weather conditions. No sampling personnel should place themselves in danger during high winds, lightning storms, or flooding conditions which might be unsafe. Under extreme conditions, a less hazardous storm event should be sampled.

6.4 SAMPLING IN CONFINED SPACES

Confined spaces encountered by storm water sampling personnel typically include manholes and deep, unventilated ditches. A confined space is generally defined as a space that is somewhat enclosed with limited access and inadequate ventilation.

The National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) has developed a manual entitled "Working in Confined Spaces" which should be consulted prior to confined space entry. Also, several States have developed specific procedures which should also be consulted. Unless they have been trained for confined space entry, sampling personnel should avoid entry under all circumstances.

6.4.1 HAZARDOUS CONDITIONS IN CONFINED SPACES

Confined spaces pose a safety threat to sampling personnel because of low oxygen, explosivity, and toxic gases. When entering a confined space, a qualified person should ensure that the atmosphere is safe by sampling to test for oxygen levels, potential flammable hazards, and toxic materials known or suspected to be present. If atmospheric conditions are detected, the confined space should be ventilated or sampling personnel should use a self-contained air supply and wear a life line. At least one person should remain outside of the confined space in the event that problems arise. If atmospheric testing has not been properly conducted, the confined space should not be entered. Manholes can also pose a threat to safety because of the small confined area, slippery surfaces, sharp objects, unsafe ladders, etc.

6.4.2 SPECIAL TRAINING REQUIREMENTS

Personnel should not enter into a confined space unless trained in confined space entry techniques. Such training covers hazard recognition, the use of respiratory equipment and atmospheric testing devices, use of special equipment and tools, and emergency and rescue procedures. In addition, at least one member of the sampling crew should be certified in basic first aid and Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR). Sampling personnel should, on an annual basis, practice confined space rescues.

6.4.3 PERMIT SYSTEM

If entry into a confined space is necessary, an entry permit system should be developed which includes a written procedure. This permit should include, at a minimum:

- Description of type of work to be done
- Hazards that may be encountered

- Location and description of the confined space
- Information on atmospheric conditions at confined space
- Personnel training and emergency procedures
- Names of sampling personnel.

The manual developed by NIOSH discusses this permit system in more detail. Furthermore, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) proposed a rule on June 5, 1989 (54 FR 24080) that would implement a permit system. The rule is expected to be finalized and published late in 1992.

6.5 CHEMICAL HAZARDS

Sampling personnel can also be at risk of exposure to hazardous chemicals—either chemicals in the actual storm water discharge or the chemicals that have been placed in the sample collection containers for sample preservation. Therefore, direct contact with the preservatives and the storm water (if hazardous chemicals are suspected to be present) should be avoided. Sampling personnel should wear gloves and safety glasses to avoid skin and eye exposure to harmful chemicals. Sampling personnel should be trained to avoid exposure and instructed as to what to do if exposure occurs (e.g., flush the eyes, rinse the skin, ventilate the area, etc.).

6.6 BIOLOGICAL HAZARDS

Storm water sampling personnel may also encounter biological hazards such as rodents, snakes, and insects. The sampling crew should remain alert to these hazards. As mentioned in Section 6.2, necessary sampling equipment, for certain locations, should include insect/rodent repellant and a first aid kit.

6.7 PHYSICAL HAZARDS

The sampling crew should be aware of a number of physical hazards that could cause accidents at the sampling site. These hazards include traffic hazards, sharp edges, falling objects, slippery footing, and lifting injuries from removing manhole covers. Sampling personnel should pay close attention in order to prevent these safety hazards at all times.

If the sample point is in a manhole, a street gutter, or ditch near the street, particular attention must be given to marking off the work area to warn oncoming traffic of the presence of the sampling crew. Traffic cones, warning signs, and barricades should be placed in appropriate places around the sampling point.

TECHNICAL APPENDIX A

FORMS 2F AND 1

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United States Environmental Protection Agency
Washington, DC 20460

Application for Permit to Discharge Storm Water Discharges Associated with Industrial Activity

Paperwork Reduction Act Notice

Public reporting burden for this application is estimated to average 28.6 hours per application, including time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding the burden estimate, any other aspect of this collection of information, or suggestions for improving this form, including suggestions which may increase or reduce this burden to: Chief, Information Policy Branch, PM-223, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW, Washington, DC 20460, or Director, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503.

I. Outfall Location

For each outfall, list the latitude and longitude of its location to the nearest 15 seconds and the name of the receiving water.

A. Outfall Number (list)	B. Latitude			C. Longitude			D. Receiving Water (name)

II. Improvements

A. Are you now required by any Federal, State, or local authority to meet any implementation schedule for the construction, upgrading or operation of wastewater treatment equipment or practices or any other environmental programs which may affect the discharges described in this application? This includes, but is not limited to, permit conditions, administrative or enforcement orders, enforcement compliance schedule letters, stipulations, court orders, and grant or loan conditions.

1. Identification of Conditions, Agreements, Etc.	2. Affected Outfalls		3. Brief Description of Project	4. Final Compliance Date	
	number	source of discharge		a. req.	b. proj.

B. You may attach additional sheets describing any additional water pollution (or other environmental projects which may affect your discharges) you now have under way or which you plan. Indicate whether each program is now under way or planned, and indicate your actual or planned schedules for construction.

III. Site Drainage Map

Attach a site map showing topography (or indicating the outline of drainage areas served by the outfall(s) covered in the application if a topographic map is unavailable) depicting the facility including: each of its intake and discharge structures; the drainage area of each storm water outfall; paved areas and buildings within the drainage area of each storm water outfall, each known past or present areas used for outdoor storage or disposal of significant materials, each existing structural control measure to reduce pollutants in storm water runoff, materials loading and access areas, areas where pesticides, herbicides, soil conditioners and fertilizers are applied; each of its hazardous waste treatment, storage or disposal units (including each area not required to have a RCRA permit which is used for accumulating hazardous waste under 40 CFR 262.34); each well where fluids from the facility are injected underground; springs, and other surface water bodies which receive storm water discharges from the facility.

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IV. Narrative Description of Pollutant Sources

A. For each outfall, provide an estimate of the area (include units) of impervious surfaces (including paved areas and building roofs) drained to the outfall, and an estimate of the total surface area drained by the outfall.

Outfall Number	Area of Impervious Surface *(provide units)*	Total Area Drained *(provide units)*	Outfall Number	Area of Impervious Surface *(provide units)*	Total Area Drained *(provide units)*

B. Provide a narrative description of significant materials that are currently or in the past three years have been treated, stored or disposed in a manner to allow exposure to storm water; method of treatment, storage, or disposal; past and present materials management practices employed to minimize contact by these materials with storm water runoff; materials loading and access areas; and the location, manner, and frequency in which pesticides, herbicides, soil conditioners, and fertilizers are applied.

C. For each outfall, provide the location and a description of existing structural and nonstructural control measures to reduce pollutants in storm water runoff; and a description of the treatment the storm water receives, including the schedule and type of maintenance for control and treatment measures and the ultimate disposal of any solid or fluid wastes other than by discharge.

Outfall Number	Treatment	List Codes from Table 2F-1

V. Nonstormwater Discharges

A. I certify under penalty of law that the outfall(s) covered by this application have been tested or evaluated for the presence of nonstormwater discharges, and that all nonstormwater discharges from these outfall(s) are identified in either an accompanying Form 2C or Form 2E application for the outfall.

Name and Official Title *(type or print)*	Signature	Date Signed

B. Provide a description of the method used, the date of any testing, and the onsite drainage points that were directly observed during a test.

VI. Significant Leaks or Spills

Provide existing information regarding the history of significant leaks or spills of toxic or hazardous pollutants at the facility in the last three years, including the approximate date and location of the spill or leak, and the type and amount of material released.

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VII. Discharge Information

A,B,C, & D: See instructions before proceeding. Complete one set of tables for each outfall. Annotate the outfall number in the space provided. Tables VII-A, VII-B, and VII-C are included on separate sheets numbered VII-1 and VII-2.

E: Potential discharges not covered by analysis - is any toxic pollutant listed in table 2F-2, 2F-3 or 2F-4, a substance or a component of a substance which you currently use or manufacture as an intermediate or final product or byproduct?

☐ Yes *(list all such pollutants below)* ☐ No *(go to Section IX)*

VIII. Biological Toxicity Testing Data

Do you have any knowledge or reason to believe that any biological test for acute or chronic toxicity has been made on any of your discharges or on a receiving water in relation to your discharge within the last 3 years?

☐ Yes *(list all such pollutants below)* ☐ No *(go to Section IX)*

IX. Contract Analysis Information

Were any of the analysis reported in item VII performed by a contract laboratory or consulting firm?

☐ Yes *(list the name, address, and telephone number of, and pollutants analyzed by, each such laboratory or firm below)* ☐ No *(go to Section X)*

A. Name	B. Address	C. Area Code & Phone No.	D. Pollutants Analyzed

X. Certification

I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.

A. Name & Official Title *(type or print)*	B. Area Code and Phone No.
C. Signature	D. Date Signed

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VII. Discharge Information *(Continued from page 3 of Form 2F)*

Part A - You must provide the results of at least one analysis for every pollutant in this table. Complete one table for each outfall. See instructions for additional details.

Pollutant and CAS Number (if available)	Maximum Values (include units)		Average Values (include units)		Number of Storm Events Sampled	Sources of Pollutants
	Grab Sample Taken During First 30 Minutes	Flow-weighted Composite	Grab Sample Taken During First 30 Minutes	Flow-weighted Composite		
Oil and Grease						
Biological Oxygen Demand (BOD5)						
Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD)						
Total Suspended Solids (TSS)						
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen						
Nitrate plus Nitrite Nitrogen						
Total Phosphorus						
pH	Minimum	Maximum	Minimum	Maximum		

Part B - List each pollutant that is limited in an effluent guideline which the facility is subject to or any pollutant listed in the facility's NPDES permit for its process wastewater (if the facility is operating under an existing NPDES permit). Complete one table for each outfall. See the instructions for additional details and requirements.

Pollutant and CAS Number (if available)	Maximum Values (include units)		Average Values (include units)		Number of Storm Events Sampled	Sources of Pollutants
	Grab Sample Taken During First 30 Minutes	Flow-weighted Composite	Grab Sample Taken During First 30 Minutes	Flow-weighted Composite		

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Part C - List each pollutant shown in Tables 2F-2, 2F-3, and 2F-4 that you know or have reason to believe is present. See the instructions for additional details and requirements. Complete one table for each outfall.

Pollutant and CAS Number (if available)	Maximum Values (include units)		Average Values (include units)		Number of Storm Events Sampled	Sources of Pollutants
	Grab Sample Taken During First 30 Minutes	Flow-weighted Composite	Grab Sample Taken During First 30 Minutes	Flow-weighted Composite		

Part D - Provide data for the storm event(s) which resulted in the maximum values for the flow weighted composite sample.

1. Date of Storm Event	2. Duration of Storm Event (in minutes)	3. Total rainfall during storm event (in inches)	4. Number of hours between beginning of storm measured and end of previous measurable rain event	5. Maximum flow rate during rain event (gallons/minute or specify units	6. Total flow from rain event (gallons or specify units)

7. Provide a description of the method of flow measurement or estimate.

Instructions - Form 2F
Application for Permit to Discharge Storm Water Associated with Industrial Activity

Who Must File Form 2F

Form 2F must be completed by operators of facilities which discharge storm water associated with industrial activity or by operators of storm water discharges that EPA is evaluating for designation as a significant contributor of pollutants to waters of the United States, or as contributing to a violation of a water quality standard.

Operators of discharges which are composed entirely of storm water must complete Form 2F (EPA Form 3510-2F) in conjunction with Form 1 (EPA Form 3510-1).

Operators of discharges of storm water which are combined with process wastewater (process wastewater is water that comes into direct contact with or results from the production or use of any raw material, intermediate product, finished product, byproduct, waste product, or wastewater) must complete and submit Form 2F, Form 1, and Form 2C (EPA Form 3510-2C).

Operators of discharges of storm water which are combined with nonprocess wastewater (nonprocess wastewater includes noncontact cooling water and sanitary wastes which are not regulated by effluent guidelines or a new source performance standard, except discharges by educational, medical, or commercial chemical laboratories) must complete Form 1, Form 2F, and Form 2E (EPA Form 3510-2E).

Operators of new sources or new discharges of storm water associated with industrial activity which will be combined with other nonstormwater new sources or new discharges must submit Form 1, Form 2F, and Form 2D (EPA Form 3510-2D).

Where to File Applications

The application forms should be sent to the EPA Regional Office which covers the State in which the facility is located. Form 2F must be used only when applying for permits in States where the NPDES permits program is administered by EPA. For facilities located in States which are approved to administer the NPDES permits program, the State environmental agency should be contacted for proper permit application forms and instructions.

Information on whether a particular program is administered by EPA or by a State agency can be obtained from your EPA Regional Office. Form 1, Table 1 of the "General Instructions" lists the addresses of EPA Regional Offices and the States within the jurisdiction of each Office.

Completeness

Your application will not be considered complete unless you answer every question on this form and on Form 1. If an item does not apply to you, enter "NA" (for not applicable) to show that you considered the question.

Public Availability of Submitted Information

You may not claim as confidential any information required by this form or Form 1, whether the information is reported on the forms or in an attachment. Section 402(j) of the Clean Water Act requires that all permit applications will be available to the public. This information will be made available to the public upon request.

Any information you submit to EPA which goes beyond that required by this form, Form 1, or Form 2C you may claim as confidential, but claims for information which are effluent data will be denied.

If you do not assert a claim of confidentiality at the time of submitting the information, EPA may make the information public without further notice to you. Claims of confidentiality will be handled in accordance with EPA's business confidentiality regulations at 40 CFR Part 2.

Definitions

All significant terms used in these instructions and in the form are defined in the glossary found in the General Instructions which accompany Form 1.

EPA ID Number

Fill in your EPA Identification Number at the top of each odd-numbered page of Form 2F. You may copy this number directly from item I of Form 1.

Item I

You may use the map you provided for item XI of Form 1 to determine the latitude and longitude of each of your outfalls and the name of the receiving water.

Item II-A

If you check "yes" to this question, complete all parts of the chart, or attach a copy of any previous submission you have made to EPA containing the same information.

Item II-B

You are not required to submit a description of future pollution control projects if you do not wish to or if none is planned.

Item III

Attach a site map showing topography (or indicating the outline of drainage areas served by the outfall(s) covered in the application if a topographic map is unavailable) depicting the facility including:

each of its drainage and discharge structures;

the drainage area of each storm water outfall;

paved areas and building within the drainage area of each storm water outfall, each known past or present areas used for outdoor storage or disposal of significant materials, each existing structural control measure to reduce pollutants in storm water runoff, materials loading and access areas, areas where pesticides, herbicides, soil conditioners and fertilizers are applied;

each of its hazardous waste treatment, storage or disposal facilities (including each area not required to have a RCRA permit which is used for accumulating hazardous waste for less than 90 days under 40 CFR 262.34);

each well where fluids from the facility are injected underground; and

springs, and other surface water bodies which receive storm water discharges from the facility;

Item IV-A

For each outfall, provide an estimate of the area drained by the outfall which is covered by impervious surfaces. For the purpose of this application, impervious surfaces are surfaces where storm water runs off at rates that are significantly higher than background rates (e.g., predevelopment levels) and include paved areas, building roofs, parking lots, and roadways. Include an estimate of the total area (including all impervious and pervious areas) drained by each outfall. The site map required under item III can be used to estimate the total area drained by each outfall.

Item IV-B

Provide a narrative description of significant materials that are currently or in the past three years have been treated, stored, or disposed in a manner to allow exposure to storm water; method of treatment, storage or disposal of these materials; past and present materials management practices employed, in the last three years, to minimize contact by these materials with storm water runoff; materials loading and access areas; and the location, manner, and frequency in which pesticides, herbicides, soil conditioners, and fertilizers are applied. Significant materials should be identified by chemical name, form (e.g., powder, liquid, etc.), and type of container or treatment unit. Indicate any materials treated, stored, or disposed of together. "Significant materials" includes, but is not limited to: raw materials; fuels; materials such as solvents, detergents, and plastic pellets; finished materials such as metallic products; raw materials used in food processing or production; hazardous substances designated under Section 101(14) of CERCLA; any chemical the facility is required to report pursuant to Section 313 of Title III of SARA; fertilizers; pesticides; and waste products such as ashes, slag and sludge that have the potential to be released with storm water discharges.

Item IV-C

For each outfall, structural controls include structures which enclose material handling or storage areas, covering materials, berms, dikes, or diversion ditches around manufacturing, production, storage or treatment units, retention ponds, etc. Nonstructural controls include practices such as spill prevention plans, employee training, visual inspections, preventive maintenance, and housekeeping measures that are used to prevent or minimize the potential for releases of pollutants.

Item V

Provide a certification that all outfalls that should contain storm water discharges associated with industrial activity have been tested or evaluated for the presence of non-storm water discharges which are not covered by an NPDES permit. Tests for such non-storm water discharges may include smoke tests, fluorometric dye tests, analysis of accurate schematics, as well as other appropriate tests. Part B must include a description of the method used, the date of any testing, and the onsite drainage points that were directly observed during a test. All non-storm water discharges must be identified in a Form 2C or Form 2E which must accompany this application (see beginning of instructions under section titled "Who Must File Form 2F" for a description of when Form 2C and Form 2E must be submitted).

Item VI

Provide a description of existing information regarding the history of significant leaks or spills of toxic or hazardous pollutants at the facility in the last three years.

Item VII-A, B, and C

These items require you to collect and report data on the pollutants discharged for each of your outfalls. Each part of this item addresses a different set of pollutants and must be completed in accordance with the specific instructions for that part. The following general instructions apply to the entire item.

General Instructions

Part A requires you to report at least one analysis for each pollutant listed. Parts B and C require you to report analytical data in two ways. For some pollutants addressed in Parts B and C, if you know or have reason to know that the pollutant is present in your discharge, you may be required to list the pollutant and test (sample and analyze) and report the levels of the pollutants in your discharge. For all other pollutants addressed in Parts B and C, you must list the pollutant if you know or have reason to know that the pollutant is present in the discharge, and either report quantitative data for the pollutant or briefly describe the reasons the pollutant is expected to be discharged. (See specific instructions on the form and below for Parts A through C.) Base your determination that a pollutant is present in or absent from your discharge on your knowledge of your raw materials, material management practices, maintenance chemicals, history of spills and releases, intermediate and final products and byproducts, and any previous analyses known to you of your effluent or similar effluent.

A. **Sampling:** The collection of the samples for the reported analyses should be supervised by a person experienced in performing sampling of industrial wastewater or storm water discharges. You may contact EPA or your State permitting authority for detailed guidance on sampling techniques and for answers to specific questions. Any specific requirements contained in the applicable analytical methods should be followed for sample containers, sample preservation, holding times, the collection of duplicate samples, etc. The time when you sample should be representative, to the extent feasible, of your treatment system operating properly with no system upsets. Samples should be collected from the center of the flow channel, where turbulence is at a maximum, at a site specified in your present permit, or at any site adequate for the collection of a representative sample.

   For pH, temperature, cyanide, total phenols, residual chlorine, oil and grease, and fecal coliform, grab samples taken during the first 30 minutes (or as soon thereafter as practicable) of the discharge must be used (you are not required to analyze a flow-weighted composite for these parameters). For all other pollutants both a grab sample collected during the first 30 minutes (or as soon thereafter as practicable) of the discharge and a flow-weighted composite sample must be analyzed. However, a minimum of one grab sample may be taken for effluents from holding ponds or other impoundments with a retention period of greater than 24 hours.

   All samples shall be collected from the discharge resulting from a storm event that is greater than 0.1 inches and at least 72 hours from the previously measurable (greater than 0.1 inch rainfall) storm event. Where feasible, the variance in the duration of the event and the total rainfall of the event should not exceed 50 percent from the average or median rainfall event in that area.

   A grab sample shall be taken during the first thirty minutes of the discharge (or as soon thereafter as practicable), and a flow-weighted composite shall be taken for the entire event or for the first three hours of the event.

   Grab and composite samples are defined as follows:

Grab sample: An individual sample of at least 100 milliliters collected during the first thirty minutes (or as soon thereafter as practicable) of the discharge. This sample is to be analyzed separately from the composite sample.

Flow-Weighted Composite sample: A flow-weighted composite sample may be taken with a continuous sampler that proportions the amount of sample collected with the flow rate or as a combination of a minimum of three sample aliquots taken in each hour of discharge for the entire event or for the first three hours of the event, with each aliquot being at least 100 milliliters and collected with a minimum period of fifteen minutes between aliquot collections. The composite must be flow proportional; either the time interval between each aliquot or the volume of each aliquot must be proportional to either the stream flow at the time of sampling or the total stream flow since the collection of the previous aliquot. Aliquots may be collected manually or automatically. Where GC/MS Volatile Organic Analysis (VOA) is required, aliquots must be combined in the laboratory immediately before analysis. Only one analysis for the composite sample is required.

Data from samples taken in the past may be used, provided that:

All data requirements are met;

Sampling was done no more than three years before submission; and

All data are representative of the present discharge.

Among the factors which would cause the data to be unrepresentative are significant changes in production level, changes in raw materials, processes, or final products, and changes in storm water treatment. When the Agency promulgates new analytical methods in 40 CFR Part 136, EPA will provide information as to when you should use the new methods to generate data on your discharges. Of course, the Director may request additional information, including current quantitative data, if they determine it to be necessary to assess your discharges. The Director may allow or establish appropriate site-specific sampling procedures or requirements, including sampling locations, the season in which the sampling takes place, the minimum duration between the previous measurable storm event and the storm event sampled, the minimum or maximum level of precipitation required for an appropriate storm event, the form of precipitation sampled (snow melt or rainfall), protocols for collecting samples under 40 CFR Part 136, and additional time for submitting data on a case-by-case basis.

B. **Reporting:** All levels must be reported as concentration and mass (note: grab samples are reported in terms of concentration). You may report some or all of the required data by attaching separate sheets of paper instead of filling out pages VII-1 and VII-2 if the separate sheets contain all the required information in a format which is constant with pages VII-1 and VII-2 in spacing and identification of pollutants and columns. Use the followiing abbreviations in the columns headed "Units."

Concentration		Mass	
ppm	parts per million	lbs	pounds
mg/1	milligrams per liter	ton	tons (English tons)
ppb	parts per billion	mg	milligrams
ug/1	micrograms per liter	g	grams
kg	kilograms	T	tonnes (metric tons)

All reporting of values for metals must be in terms of "total recoverable metal," unless:

(1) An applicable, promulgated effluent limitation or standard specifies the limitation for the metal in dissolved, valent, or total form; or

(2) All approved analytical methods for the metal inherently measure only its dissolved form (e.g., hexavalent chromium); or

(3) The permitting authority has determined that in establishing case-by-case limitations it is necessary to express the limitations on the metal in dissolved, valent, or total form to carry out the provisions of the CWA. If you measure only one grab sample and one flow-weighted composite sample for a given outfall, complete only the "Maximum Values" columns and insert "1" into the "Number of Storm Events Sampled" column. The permitting authority may require you to conduct additional analyses to further characterize your discharges.

If you measure more than one value for a grab sample or a flow-weighted composite sample for a given outfall and those values are representative of your discharge, you must report them. You must describe your method of testing and data analysis. You also must determine the average of all values within the last year and report the concentration and mass under the "Average Values" columns, and the total number of storm events sampled under the "Number of Storm Events Sampled " columns.

C. **Analysis:** You must use test methods promulgated in 40 CFR Part 136; however, if none has been promulgated for a particular pollutant, you may use any suitable method for measuring the level of the pollutant in your discharge provided that you submit a description of the method or a reference to a published method. Your description should include the sample holding time, preservation techniques, and the quality control measures which you used. If you have two or more substantially identical outfalls, you may request permission from your permitting authority to sample and analyze only one outfall and submit the results of the analysis for other substantially identical outfalls. If your request is granted by the permitting authority, on a separate sheet attached to the application form, identify which outfall you did test, and describe why the outfalls which you did not test are substantially identical to the outfall which you did test.

Part VII-A

Part VII-A must be completed by all applicants for all outfalls who must complete Form 2F.

Analyze a grab sample collected during the first thirty minutes (or as soon thereafter as practicable) of the discharge and flow-weighted composite samples for all pollutants in this Part, and report the results except use only grab samples for pH and oil and grease. See discussion in General Instructions to Item VII for definitions of grab sample collected during the first thirty minutes of discharge and flow-weighted composite sample. The "Average Values" column is not compulsory but should be filled out if data are available.

Part VII-B

List all pollutants that are limited in an effluent guideline which the facility is subject to (see 40 CFR Subchapter N to determine which pollutants are limited in effluent guidelines) or any pollutant listed in the facility's NPDES permit for its process wastewater (if the facility is operating under an existing NPDES permit). Complete one table for each outfall. See discussion in General instructions to item VII for definitions of grab sample collected during the first thirty minutes (or as soon thereafter as practicable) of discharge and flow-weighted composite sample. The "Average Values" column is not compulsory but should be filled out if data are available.

Analyze a grab sample collected during the first thirty minutes of the discharge and flow-weighted composite samples for all pollutants in this Part, and report the results, except as provided in the General Instructions.

Part VII-C

Part VII-C must be completed by all applicants for all outfalls which discharge storm water associated with industrial activity, or that EPA is evaluating for designation as a significant contributor of pollutants to waters of the United States, or as contributing to a violation of a water quality standard. Use both a grab sample and a composite sample for all pollutants you analyze for in this part except use grab samples for residual chlorine and fecal coliform. The "Average Values" column is not compulsory but should be filled out if data are available. Part C requires you to address the pollutants in Table 2F-2, 2F-3, and 2F-4 for each outfall. Pollutants in each of these Tables are addressed differently.

Table 2F-2: For each outfall, list all pollutants in Table 2F-2 that you know or have reason to believe are discharged (except pollutants previously listed in Part VII-B). If a pollutant is limited in an effluent guideline limitation which the facility is subject to, the pollutant must be analyzed and reported in Part VII-B. If a pollutant in Table 2F-2 is indirectly limited by an effluent guideline limitation through an indicator (e.g., use of TSS as an indicator to control the discharge of iron and aluminum), you must analyze for it and report the data in Part VII-B. For other pollutants listed in Table 2F-2 (those not limited directly or indirectly by an effluent limitation guideline), that you know or have reason to believe are discharged, you must either report quantitative data or briefly describe the reasons the pollutant is expected to be discharged.

Table 2F-3: For each outfall, list all pollutants in Table 2F-3 that you know or have reason to believe are discharged. For every pollutant in Table 2F-3 expected to be discharged in concentrations of 10 ppb or greater, you must submit quantitative data. For acrolein, acrylonitrile, 2,4 dinitrophenol, and 2-methyl-4,6 dinitrophenol, you must submit quantitative data if any of these four pollutants is expected to be discharged

in concentrations of 100 ppb or greater. For every pollutant expected to be discharged in concentrations less than 10 ppb (or 100 ppb for the four pollutants listed above), then you must either submit quantitative data or briefly describe the reasons the pollutant is expected to be discharged.

Small Business Exemption - If you are a "small business," you are exempt from the reporting requirements for the organic toxic pollutants listed in Table 2F-3. There are two ways in which you can qualify as a "small business". If your facility is a coal mine, and if your probable total annual production is less than 100,000 tons per year, you may submit past production data or estimated future production (such as a schedule of estimated total production under 30 CFR 795.14(c)) instead of conducting analyses for the organic toxic pollutants. If your facility is not a coal mine, and if your gross total annual sales for the most recent three years average less than $100,000 per year (in second quarter 1980 dollars), you may submit sales data for those years instead of conducting analyses for the organic toxic pollutants. The production or sales data must be for the facility which is the source of the discharge. The data should not be limited to production or sales for the process or processes which contribute to the discharge, unless those are the only processes at your facility. For sales data, in situations involving intracorporate transfer of goods and services, the transfer price per unit should approximate market prices for those goods and services as closely as possible. Sales figures for years after 1980 should be indexed to the second quarter of 1980 by using the gross national product price deflator (second quarter of 1980=100). This index is available in National Income and Product Accounts of the United States (Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis).

Table 2F-4: For each outfall, list any pollutant in Table 2F-4 that you know or believe to be present in the discharge and explain why you believe it to be present. No analysis is required, but if you have analytical data, you must report them. **Note:** Under 40 CFR 117.12(a)(2), certain discharges of hazardous substances (listed at 40 CFR 177.21 or 40 CFR 302.4) may be exempted from the requirements of section 311 of CWA, which establishes reporting requirements, civil penalties, and liability for cleanup costs for spills of oil and hazardous substances. A discharge of a particular substance may be exempted if the origin, source, and amount of the discharged substances are identified in the NPDES permit application or in the permit, if the permit contains a requirement for treatment of the discharge, and if the treatment is in place. To apply for an exclusion of the discharge of any hazardous substance from the requirements of section 311, attach additional sheets of paper to your form, setting forth the following information:

1. The substance and the amount of each substance which may be discharged.
2. The origin and source of the discharge of the substance.
3. The treatment which is to be provided for the discharge by:
    a. An onsite treatment system separate from any treatment system treating your normal discharge;
    b. A treatment system designed to treat your normal discharge and which is additionally capable of treating the amount of the substance identified under paragraph 1 above; or
    c. Any combination of the above.

See 40 CFR 117.12(a)(2) and (c), published on August 29, 1979, in 44 FR 50766, or contact your Regional Office (Table 1 on Form 1, Instructions), for further information on exclusions from section 311.

Part VII-D

If sampling is conducted during more than one storm event, you only need to report the information requested in Part VII-D for the storm event(s) which resulted in any maximum pollutant concentration reported in Part VII-A, VII-B, or VII-C.

Provide flow measurements or estimates of the flow rate, and the total amount of discharge for the storm event(s) sampled, the method of flow measurement, or estimation. Provide the data and duration of the storm event(s) sampled, rainfall measurements, or estimates of the storm event which generated the sampled runoff and the duration between the storm event sampled and the end of the previous measurable (greater than 0.1 inch rainfall) storm event.

Part VII-E

List any toxic pollutant listed in Tables 2F-2, 2F-3, or 2F-4 which you currently use or manufacture as an intermediate or final product or byproduct. In addition, if you know or have reason to believe that 2,3,7,8-tetrachlorodibenzo-p-dioxin (TCDD) is discharged or if you use or manufacture 2,4,5-trichlorophenoxy acetic

acid (2,4,5,-T); 2-(2,4,5-trichlorophenoxy) propanoic acid (Silvex, 2,4,5,-TP); 2-(2,4,5-trichlorophenoxy) ethyl, 2,2-dichloropropionate (Erbon); O,O-dimethyl O-(2,4,5-trichlorphenyl) phosphorothioate (Ronnel); 2,4,5-trichlorophenol (TCP); or hexachlorophene (HCP); then list TCDD. The Director may waive or modify the requirement if you demonstrate that it would be unduly burdensome to identify each toxic pollutant and the Director has adequate information to issue your permit. You may not claim this information as confidential; however, you do not have to distinguish between use or production of the pollutants or list the amounts.

Item VIII

Self explanatory. The permitting authority may ask you to provide additional details after your application is received.

Item X

The Clean Water Act provides for severe penalties for submitting false information on this application form.

Section 309(c)(4) of the Clean Water Act provides that "Any person who knowingly makes any false material statement, representation, or certification in any application, . . . shall upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than $10,000 or by imprisonment for not more than 2 years, or by both. If a conviction of such person is for a violation committed after a first conviction of such person under this paragraph, punishment shall be by a fine of not more than $20,000 per day of violation, or by imprisonment of not more than 4 years, or by both." 40 CFR Part 122.22 requires the certification to be signed as follows:

(A) For a corporation: by a responsible corporate official. For purposes of this section, a responsible corporate official means (i) a president, secretary, treasurer, or vice-president of the corporation in charge of a principal business function, or any other person who performs similar policy- or decision-making functions for the corporation, or (ii) the manager of one or more manufacturing, production, or operating facilities employing more than 250 persons or having gross annual sales or expenditures exceeding $25,000,000 (in second-quarter 1980 dollars), if authority to sign documents has been assigned or delegated to the manager in accordance with corporate procedures.

Note: EPA does not require specific assignments or delegation of authority to responsible corporate officers identified in 122.22(a)(1)(i). The Agency will presume that these responsible corporate officers have the requisite authority to sign permit applications unless the corporation has notified the Director to the contrary. Corporate procedures governing authority to sign permit applications may provide for assignment or delegation to applicable corporate position under 122.22(a)(1)(ii) rather than to specific individuals.

(B) For a partnership or sole proprietorship: by a general partner or the proprietor, respectively; or

(C) For a municipality, State, Federal, or other public agency: by either a principal executive officer or ranking elected official. For purposes of this section, a principal executive officer of a Federal agency includes (i) the chief executive officer of the agency, or (ii) a senior executive officer having responsibility for the overall operations of a principal geographic unit of the agency (e.g., Regional Administrators of EPA).

Table 2F-1
Codes for Treatment Units

Physical Treatment Processes

1-A	Ammonia Stripping	1-M	Grit Removal
1-B	Dialysis	1-N	Microstraining
1-C	Diatomaceous Earth Filtration	1-O	Mixing
1-D	Distillation	1-P	Moving Bed Filters
1-E	Electrodialysis	1-Q	Multimedia Filtration
1-F	Evaporation	1-R	Rapid Sand Filtration
1-G	Flocculation	1-S	Reverse Osmosis (Hyperfiltration)
1-H	Flotation	1-T	Screening
1-I	Foam Fractionation	1-U	Sedimentation (Setting)
1-J	Freezing	1-V	Slow Sand Filtration
1-K	Gas-Phase Separation	1-W	Solvent Extraction
1-L	Grinding (Comminutors)	1-X	Sorption

Chemical Treatment Processes

2-A	Carbon Adsorption	2-G	Disinfection (Ozone)
2-B	Chemical Oxidation	2-H	Disinfection (Other)
2-C	Chemical Precipitation	2-I	Electrochemical Treatment
2-D	Coagulation	2-J	Ion Exchange
2-E	Dechlorination	2-K	Neutralization
2-F	Disinfection (Chlorine)	2-L	Reduction

Biological Treatment Processes

3-A	Activated Sludge	3-E	Pre-Aeration
3-B	Aerated Lagoons	3-F	Spray Irrigation/Land Application
3-C	Anaerobic Treatment	3-G	Stabilization Ponds
3-D	Nitrification-Denitrification	3-H	Trickling Filtration

Other Processes

4-A	Discharge to Surface Water	4-C	Reuse/Recycle of Treated Effluent
4-B	Ocean Discharge Through Outfall	4-D	Underground Injection

Sludge Treatment and Disposal Processes

5-A	Aerobic Digestion	5-M	Heat Drying
5-B	Anaerobic Digestion	5-N	Heat Treatment
5-C	Belt Filtration	5-O	Incineration
5-D	Centrifugation	5-P	Land Application
5-E	Chemical Conditioning	5-Q	Landfill
5-F	Chlorine Treatment	5-R	Pressure Filtration
5-G	Composting	5-S	Pyrolysis
5-H	Drying Beds	5-T	Sludge Lagoons
5-I	Elutriation	5-U	Vacuum Filtration
5-J	Flotation Thickening	5-V	Vibration
5-K	Freezing	5-W	Wet Oxidation
5-L	Gravity Thickening		

Table 2F-2

Conventional and Nonconventional Pollutants

Bromide
Chlorine, Total Residual
Color
Fecal Coliform
Fluoride
Nitrate-Nitrite
Nitrogen, Total Organic
Oil and Grease
Phosphorus, Total
Radioactivity
Sulfate
Sulfite
Surfactants
Aluminum, Total
Barium, Total
Boron, Total
Cobalt, Total
Iron, Total
Magnesium, Total
Molybdenum, Total
Manganese, Total
Tin, Total
Titanium, Total

Table 2F-3

Toxic Pollutants

Toxic Pollutants and Total Phenol

Antimony, Total	Copper, Total	Silver, Total
Arsenic, Total	Lead, Total	Thallium, Total
Beryllium, Total	Mercury, Total	Zinc, Total
Cadmium, Total	Nickel, Total	Cyanide, Total
Chromium, Total	Selenium, Total	Phenols, Total

GC/MS Fraction Volatiles Compounds

Acrolein	Dichlorobromomethane	1,1,2,2,-Tetrachloroethane
Acrylonitrile	1,1-Dichloroethane	Tetrachloroethylene
Benzene	1,2-Dichloroethane	Toluene
Bromoform	1,1-Dichloroethylene	1,2-Trans-Dichloroethylene
Carbon Tetrachloride	1,2-Dichloropropane	1,1,1-Trichloroethane
Chlorobenzene	1,3-Dichloropropylene	1,1,2-Trichloroethane
Chlorodibromomethane	Ethylbenzene	Trichloroethylene
Chloroethane	Methyl Bromide	Vinyl Chloride
2-Chloroethylvinyl Ether	Methyl Chloride	
Chloroform	Methylene Chloride	

Acid Compounds

2-Chlorophenol	2,4-Dinitrophenol	Pentachlorophenol
2,4-Dichlorophenol	2-Nitrophenol	Phenol
2,4-Dimethylphenol	4-Nitrophenol	2,4,6-Trichlorophenol
4,6-Dinitro-O-Cresol	p-Chloro-M-Cresol	2-methyl-4,6 dinitrophenol

Base/Neutral

Acenaphthene	2-Chloronaphthalene	Fluroranthene
Acenaphthylene	4-Chlorophenyl Phenyl Ether	Fluorene
Anthracene	Chrysene	Hexachlorobenzene
Benzidine	Dibenzo(a,h)anthracene	Hexachlorobutadiene
Benzo(a)anthracene	1,2-Dichlorobenzene	Hexachloroethane
Benzo(a)pyrene	1,3-Dichlorobenzene	Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene
3,4-Benzofluoranthene	1,4-Dichlorobenzene	Isophorone
Benzo(ghi)perylene	3,3'-Dichlorobenzidine	Napthalene
Benzo(k)fluoranthene	Diethyl Phthalate	Nitrobenzene
Bis(2-chloroethoxy)methane	Dimethyl Phthalate	N-Nitrosodimethylamine
Bis(2-chloroethyl)ether	Di-N-Butyl Phthalate	N-Nitrosodi-N-Propylamine
Bis(2-chloroisopropyl)ether	2,4-Dinitrotoluene	N-Nitrosodiphenylamine
Bis(2-ethylyhexyl)phthalate	2,6-Dinitrotoluene	Phenanthrene
4-Bromophenyl Phenyl Ether	Di-N-Octylphthalate	Pyrene
Butylbenzyl Phthalate	1,2-Diphenylhydrazine (as Azobenzene)	1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene

Pesticides

Aldrin	Dieldrin	PCB-1254
Alpha-BHC	Alpha-Endosulfan	PCB-1221
Beta-BHC	Beta-Endosulfan	PCB-1232
Gamma-BHC	Endosulfan Sulfate	PCB-1248
Delta-BHC	Endrin	PCB-1260
Chlordane	Endrin Aldehyde	PCB-1016
4,4'-DDT	Heptachlor	Toxaphene
4,4'-DDE	Heptachlor Epoxide	
4,4'-DDD	PCB-1242	

Table 2F-4
Hazardous Substances

Toxic Pollutant

Asbestos

Hazardous Substances

Acetaldehyde	Dinitrobenzene	Napthenic acid
Allyl alcohol	Diquat	Nitrotoluene
Allyl chloride	Disulfoton	Parathion
Amyl acetate	Diuron	Phenolsulfonate
Aniline	Epichlorohydrin	Phosgene
Benzonitrile	Ethion	Propargite
Benzyl chloride	Ethylene diamine	Propylene oxide
Butyl acetate	Ethylene dibromide	Pyrethrins
Butylamine	Formaldehyde	Quinoline
Carbaryl	Furfural	Resorcinol
Carbofuran	Guthion	Stronthium
Carbon disulfide	Isoprene	Strychnine
Chlorpyrifos	Isopropanolamine	Styrene
Coumaphos	Kelthane	2,4,5-T (2,4,5-Trichlorophenoxyacetic acid)
Cresol	Kepone	TDE (Tetrachlorodiphenyl ethane)
Crotonaldehyde	Malathion	2,4,5-TP [2-(2,4,5-Trichlorophenoxy) propanoic acid]
Cyclohexane	Mercaptodimethur	Trichlorofan
2,4-D (2,4-Dichlorophenoxyacetic acid)	Methoxychlor	Triethylamine
Diazinon	Methyl mercaptan	Trimethylamine
Dicamba	Methyl methacrylate	Uranium
Dichlobenil	Methyl parathion	Vanadium
Dichlone	Mevinphos	Vinyl acetate
2,2-Dichloropropionic acid	Mexacarbate	Xylene
Dichlorvos	Monoethyl amine	Xylenol
Diethyl amine	Monomethyl amine	Zirconium
Dimethyl amine	Naled	

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FORM 1 GENERAL

EPA

U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

GENERAL INFORMATION

Consolidated Permits Program

(Read the "General Instructions" before starting.)

I. EPA I.D. NUMBER

F D

LABEL ITEMS

I. EPA I.D. NUMBER

III. FACILITY NAME

V. FACILITY MAILING ADDRESS

VI. FACILITY LOCATION

PLEASE PLACE LABEL IN THIS SPACE

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

If a preprinted label has been provided, affix it in the designated space. Review the information carefully; if any of it is incorrect, cross through it and enter the correct data in the appropriate fill-in area below. Also, if any of the preprinted data is absent (*the area to the left of the label space lists the information that should appear*), please provide it in the proper fill-in area(s) below. If the label is complete and correct, you need not complete items I, III, V, and VI (*except VI-B which must be completed regardless*). Complete all items if no label has been provided. Refer to the instructions for detailed item descriptions and for the legal authorizations under which this data is collected.

II. POLLUTANT CHARACTERISTICS

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete A through J to determine whether you need to submit any permit application forms to the EPA. If you answer "yes" to any questions, you must submit this form and the supplemental form listed in the parenthesis following the question. Mark "X" in the box in the third column if the supplemental form is attached. If you answer "no" to each question, you need not submit any of these forms. You may answer "no" if your activity is excluded from permit requirements; see Section C of the instructions. See also, Section D of the instructions for definitions of bold-faced terms.

SPECIFIC QUESTIONS	MARK "X" YES	MARK "X" NO	MARK "X" FORM ATTACHED	SPECIFIC QUESTIONS	MARK "X" YES	MARK "X" NO	MARK "X" FORM ATTACHED
A. Is this facility a **publicly owned treatment works** which results in a **discharge** to **waters of the U.S.**? (FORM 2A)				B. Does or will this facility (*either existing or proposed*) include a **concentrated animal feeding operation** or **aquatic animal production facility** which results in a **discharge** to **waters of the U.S.**? (FORM 2B)			
C. Is this a facility which currently results in **discharges** to **waters of the U.S.** other than those described in A or B above? (FORM 2C)				D. Is this a proposed facility (*either than those described in A or B above*) which will result in a **discharge** to **waters of the U.S.**? (FORM 2D)			
E. Does or will this facility treat, store, or dispose of **hazardous wastes**? (FORM 3)				F. Do you or will you inject at this facility industrial or municipal effluent below the lowermost stratum containing, within one quarter mile of the well bore, underground sources of drinking water? (FORM 4)			
G. Do you or will you inject at this facility any produced water or other fluids which are brought to the surface in connection with conventional oil or natural gas production, inject fluids used for enhanced recovery of oil or natural gas, or inject fluids for storage of liquid hydrocarbons? (FORM 4)				H. Do you or will you inject at this facility fluids for special processes such as mining of sulfur by the Frasch process, solution mining of minerals, in situ combustion of fossil fuel, or recovery of geothermal energy? (FORM 4)			
I. Is this facility a proposed **stationary source** which is one of the 28 industrial categories listed in the instructions and which will potentially emit 100 tons per year of any air pollutant regulated under the Clean Air Act and may affect or be located in an attainment area? (FORM 5)				J. Is this facility a proposed **stationary source** which is NOT one of the 28 industrial categories listed in the instructions and which will potentially emit 250 tons per year of any air pollutant regulated under the Clean Air Act and may affect or be located in an attainment area? (FORM 5)			

III. NAME OF FACILITY

1 SKIP

IV. FACILITY CONTACT

A. NAME & TITLE (*last, first, & title*) | B. PHONE (*area code & no.*)

2

V. FACILITY MAILING ADDRESS

A. STREET OR P.O. BOX

3

B. CITY OR TOWN | C. STATE | D. ZIP CODE

4

VI. FACILITY LOCATION

A. STREET, ROUTE NO. OR OTHER SPECIFIC IDENTIFIER

5

B. COUNTY NAME

C. CITY OR TOWN | D. STATE | E. ZIP CODE | F. COUNTY CODE (*if known*)

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VII. SIC CODES *4-digit, in order of priority*

A. FIRST	B. SECOND
7 (specify)	7 (specify)
C. THIRD	**D. FOURTH**
7 (specify)	7 (specify)

VIII. OPERATOR INFORMATION

A. NAME: 8

B. Is the name listed in Item VIII-A also the owner? ☐ YES ☐ NO

C. STATUS OF OPERATOR *(Enter the appropriate letter into the answer box; if Other, specify.)*

F = FEDERAL
S = STATE
P = PRIVATE
M = PUBLIC *(other than federal or state)*
O = OTHER *(specify)*

(specify)

D. PHONE *(area code & no.)*: A

E. STREET OR P.O. BOX

F. CITY OR TOWN: B

G. STATE

H. ZIP CODE

IX. INDIAN LAND

Is the facility located on Indian lands? ☐ YES ☐ NO

X. EXISTING ENVIRONMENTAL PERMITS

A. NPDES *(Discharges to Surface Water)*	D. PSD *(Air Emissions from Proposed Sources)*
9 N	9 P
B. UIC *(Underground Injection of Fluids)*	**E. OTHER** *(specify)*
9 U	9 (specify)
C. RCRA *(Hazardous Wastes)*	**E. OTHER** *(specify)*
9 R	9 (specify)

XI. MAP

Attach to this application a topographic map of the area extending to at least one mile beyond property boundaries. The map must show the outline of the facility, the location of each of its existing and proposed intake and discharge structures, each of its hazardous waste treatment, storage, or disposal facilities, and each well where it injects fluids underground. Include all springs, rivers and other surface water bodies in the map area. See instructions for precise requirements.

XII. NATURE OF BUSINESS *(provide a brief description)*

XIII. CERTIFICATION *(see instructions)*

I certify under penalty of law that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted in this application and all attachments and that, based on my inquiry of those persons immediately responsible for obtaining the information contained in the application, I believe that the information is true, accurate and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment.

A. NAME & OFFICIAL TITLE *(type or print)*	B. SIGNATURE	C. DATE SIGNED

COMMENTS FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY

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APPENDIX B

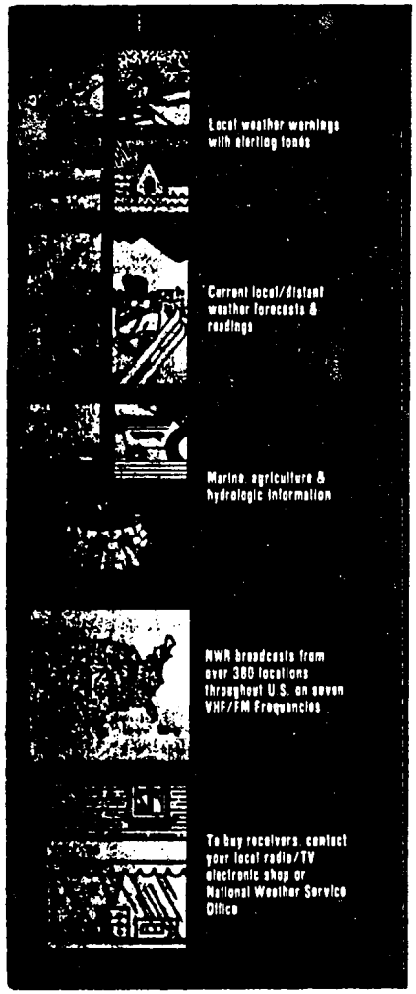
NOAA WEATHER RADIO INFORMATION

NOAA WEATHER RADIO MANUFACTURERS LIST	
RADIO SHACK Weather Radio 2617 West Seventh St. Fort Worth, TX 76107 (817) 390-3011	✓ ●
GENERAL ELECTRIC Model 7-2934 (800) 626-2000	✓ ●
UNIDEN BEARCAT Bearcat Weather Alert 6345 Castleway Court Indianapolis, IN 46250 (800) 722-6637	■
ELECTROLERT Weatheralert Forecaster 4949 South 25A Tipp City, OH 45371 (513) 667-2461	✓ ● ■
SPRINGFIELD INSTRUMENTS Talking Weather Center/Station 76 Paccaic St. Wood-Ridge, NJ 07075 (201) 777-2900	■
WOODSON ELECTRONICS Plectron 505 Lincoln St. Overton, NE 68863 (308) 987-2404	X
GORMAN - REDLICH MANUFACTURING James T. Gorman 257 West Union St. Athens, OH 45701 (617) 593-3150	X

PRICE RANGE:

✓ Under $50
■ $50 to $100
X Over $100
● Features AM/FM model radios with weather band

PLEASE NOTE, THIS LIST IS NOT ALL-INCLUSIVE, AND INCLUSION ON THIS LIST DOES NOT CONSTITUTE ENDORSEMENT OF ANY COMPANY BY EPA OR THE U.S. GOVERNMENT.



NOAA WEATHER RADIO IS A SERVICE...

... of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) of the U.S. Department of Commerce. As the "Voice of the National Weather Service," it provides continuous broadcasts of the latest weather information directly from National Weather Service offices. Taped weather messages are repeated every four to six minutes and are routinely revised every one to three hours, or more frequently if needed. Most of the stations operate 24 hours daily.

During severe weather, National Weather Service forecasters can interrupt the routine weather broadcasts and substitute special warning messages. The forecasters can also activate specially designed warning receivers. Such receivers either sound an alarm indicating that an emergency exists, alerting the listener to turn the receiver up to an audible volume; or, when operated in a muted mode, are automatically turned on so that the warning message is heard. "Warning alarm" receivers are especially valuable for schools, hospitals, public-safety agencies, and news media offices.

Under a January 1975 White House policy statement, NOAA Weather Radio was designated the sole Government-operated radio system to provide direct warnings into private homes for both natural disasters and nuclear attack. This capability is to supplement warnings by sirens and by commercial radio and TV.

The broadcasts are tailored to weather information needs of people within the receiving area. For example, stations along the sea coasts and Great Lakes provide weather information for boaters, fishers, and others engaged in marine activities as well as general weather information.

NOAA Weather Radio broadcasts are made on one of seven high-band FM frequencies ranging from 162.40 to 162.55 megahertz (MHz). These frequencies are not found on the average home radio now in use. However, a number of radio manufacturers offer special weather radios to operate on these frequencies, with or without the emergency warning alarm. Also, there are now many radios on the market which offer standard AM/FM frequencies plus the so-called "weather band" as an added feature.

NOAA Weather Radio broadcasts can usually be heard as far as 40 miles from the antenna site, sometimes more. The effective range depends on many factors, particularly the height of the broadcasting antenna, terrain, quality of the receiver, and type of receiving antenna. As a general rule, listeners close to or perhaps beyond the 40 mile range should have a good quality receiver system if they expect reliable reception. Also, an outside antenna may be required in these fringe areas. If practicable, a receiver should be tried at its place of intended use before making a final purchase.

The National Weather Service operates about 380 stations. Approximately 90 percent of the Nation's population is within listening range of a NOAA Weather Radio broadcast.

A similar network of about 15 stations using the same frequencies broadcasts continuous weather information across much of southern Canada.

If you have a question concerning NOAA Weather Radio or wish to receive a listing of NOAA Weather Radio receiver manufacturers, please contact your nearest National Weather Service Office, or write to National Weather Service (Attn: W/OM11), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Silver Spring, MD, 20910.

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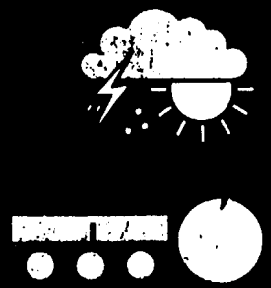

NOAA WEATHER RADIO NETWORK

Legend-Frequencies are identified as follows:

(1)-162.550 MHz
(2)-162.400 MHz
(3)-162.475 MHz
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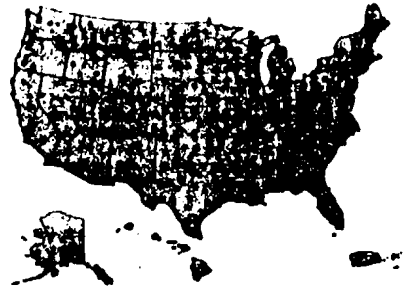

Location	Frequency
Alabama	
Anniston	3
Birmingham	1
Demopolis	3
Dozier	1
Florence	3
Huntsville	2
Louisville	3
Mobile	1
Montgomery	2
Tuscaloosa	2
Alaska	
Anchorage	1
Cordova	1
Fairbanks	1
Homer	2
Juneau	1
Ketchikan	1
Kodiak	1
Nome	1
Haines	1
Seward	1
Sitka	1
Valdez	1
Wrangell	2
Yakutat	2
Arizona	
Flagstaff	2
Lake Powell	1
Phoenix	1
Tucson	2
Yuma	1
Arkansas	
Fayetteville	3
Fort Smith	2
Gurdon	3
Jonesboro	1
Little Rock	1
Mountain View	2
Star City	2
Texarkana	1
California	
Bakersfield (P)	1
Coachella (P)	2
Eureka	2
Fresno	2
Los Angeles	1
Lindsay	6

Location	Frequency
California *continued*	
Monterey	2
Point Arena	1
Redding (P)	1
Sacramento	1
San Diego	2
San Francisco	2
San Luis Obispo	1
Santa Barbara	2
Colorado	
Alamosa (P)	3
Colorado Springs	3
Denver	1
Fort Collins	6
Grand Junction	1
Greeley	2
Longmont	1
Pueblo	2
Sterling	2
Connecticut	
Hartford	3
Meriden	2
New London	1
Delaware	
Lewes	1
District of Columbia	
Washington, D.C.	1
Florida	
Bell Glade	2
Daytona Beach	2
Fort Myers	3
Gainesville	3
Jacksonville	1
Key West	2
Melbourne	1
Miami	1
Orlando	3
Panama City	1
Pensacola	2
Tallahassee	2
Tampa	1
West Palm Beach	3
Georgia	
Athens	2
Atlanta	1
Augusta	1
*Bainbridge	7

Location	Frequency
Georgia *continued*	
Chatsworth	2
Columbus	2
Macon	3
Pelham	1
Savannah	2
*Valdosta	6
Waycross	3
Waynesboro	4
Hawaii	
Hilo	1
Honolulu	1
Kailua	2
Mt. Haleakala	2
Waimanalo (P)	2
Idaho	
Boise	1
Lewiston (P)	1
Pocatello	1
Twin Falls	2
Illinois	
Champaign	1
Chicago	1
Marion	4
Moline	1
Peoria	3
Rockford	3
Springfield	2
Indiana	
*Bloomington	5
Evansville	1
Fort Wayne	1
Indianapolis	1
Lafayette	3
*Marion	6
South Bend	2
Terre Haute	2
Iowa	
Cedar Rapids	3
Des Moines	1
Dubuque (P)	2
Sioux City	3
Waterloo	1
Kansas	
Chanute	2
Colby	3
Concordia	1

Location	Frequency
Kansas *continued*	
Dodge City	3
Ellsworth	2
Topeka	3
Wichita	1
Kentucky	
Ashland	1
Bowling Green	2
Covington	1
Elizabethtown (R)	2
Hazard	3
Lexington	2
Louisville	3
Mayfield	3
Pikeville (R)	2
Somerset	1
Louisiana	
Alexandria	3
Baton Rouge	2
Bunkie	3
Lafayette	1
Lake Charles	2
Monroe	1
Morgan City	3
New Orleans	1
Shreveport	2
Maine	
*Caribou	7
*Dresden	3
Ellsworth	2
Portland	1
Maryland	
Baltimore	2
Hagerstown	3
Salisbury	3
Massachusetts	
Boston	3
Hyannis	1
Worcester	1
Michigan	
Alpena	1
Detroit	1
Flint	2
Grand Rapids	1
Houghton	2
Marquette	1

Location	Frequency
Michigan *continued*	
*Onondaga	2
Sault Sainte Marie	1
Traverse City	2
Minnesota	
Detroit Lakes	3
Duluth	1
International Falls	1
Mankato	2
Minneapolis	1
Rochester	3
Saint Cloud (P)	3
Thief River Falls	1
Willmar (P)	2
Mississippi	
Ackerman	3
Booneville	1
Buda	1
*Columbia (R)	2
Gulfport	2
Hattiesburg	3
Invernass	1
Jackson	2
Meridian	1
Oxford	2
Missouri	
Columbia	2
Camdenton	1
Hannibal	3
Hermitage	5
Joplin/Carthage	1
Kansas City	1
St. Joseph	2
St. Louis	1
Steelton	2
Springfield	2
Montana	
Billings	1
Butte	1
Glasgow	1
Great Falls	1
Havre (P)	2
Helena	2
Kalispell	1
Miles City	2
Missoula	2
Nebraska	
Bassett	3
Grand Island	2
Holdrege	3
Lincoln	3
Merriman	2
Norfolk	1
North Platte	1
Omaha	2
Scottsbluff	1
Nevada	
Elko	1
Ely	2
Las Vegas	1
Reno	1
Winnemucca	2
New Hampshire	
Concord	2
New Jersey	
Atlantic City	2
New Mexico	
Albuquerque	2
Clovis	3

Location	Frequency
New Mexico *continued*	
Des Moines	1
Farmington	3
Hobbs	2
Las Cruces	2
Ruidoso	1
Santa Fe	1
New York	
Albany	1
Binghamton	3
Buffalo	1
Elmira	2
Kingston	3
New York City	1
*Riverhead	3
Rochester	2
Syracuse	1
North Carolina	
Asheville	2
Cape Hatteras	3
Charlotte	3
Fayetteville	3
New Bern	2
Raleigh/Durham	1
Rocky Mount	3
Wilmington	1
Winston-Salem	2
North Dakota	
Bismarck	2
Dickinson	2
Fargo	2
Jamestown	2
Minot	2
Petersburg	2
Williston	2
Ohio	
Akron	2
Cambridge	3
Cleveland	1
Columbus	1
Dayton	3
Lima	2
Sandusky	2
Toledo	1
Oklahoma	
Clinton	3
Enid	3
Lawton	1
McAlester	3
Oklahoma City	2
Tulsa	1
Oregon	
Astoria	2
Brookings	1
Coos Bay	2
Eugene	2
Klamath Falls	1
Medford	2
Newport	1
Pendleton	2
Portland	1
Roseburg	1
Salem	3
Pennsylvania	
Allentown	2
Clearfield	1
Erie	2
Harrisburg	1
Johnstown	2

Location	Frequency
Pennsylvania *continued*	
Philadelphia	3
Pittsburgh	1
State College	3
*Towanda	3
*Wellsboro	1
Wilkes-Barre	1
Williamsport	2
Puerto Rico	
Maricao	1
San Juan	2
Rhode Island	
Providence	2
South Carolina	
Beaufort	3
Charleston	1
Columbia	2
Cross	3
Florence	1
Greenville	1
Myrtle Beach	2
Sumter (R)	3
South Dakota	
Aberdeen	3
Huron	1
Pierre	2
Rapid City	1
Sioux Falls	2
Tennessee	
Bristol	1
Chattanooga	1
Cookeville	2
Jackson	1
Knoxville	3
Memphis	3
Nashville	1
Shelbyville	3
Waverly	2
Texas	
Abilene	2
Amarillo	1
Austin	2
Beaumont	3
Big Spring	3
Brownsville	1
Bryan	1
Corpus Christi	1
Dallas	2
Del Rio (P)	2
El Paso	3
Fort Worth	1
Galveston	1
Houston	2
Laredo	3
Lubbock	2
Lufkin	1
Midland	2

Location	Frequency
Texas *continued*	
Paris	1
Pharr	2
San Angelo	1
San Antonio	1
Sherman	3
Tyler	3
Victoria	2
Waco	3
Wichita Falls	3
U.S. Virgin Islands	
*St. Thomas	3
Utah	
Logan	2
Cedar City	2
Vernal	2
Salt Lake City	1
Vermont	
Burlington	2
*Marlboro	4
Windsor	3
Virginia	
Heathsville	2
*Lynchburg	1
Norfolk	1
Richmond	3
Roanoke	2
Washington	
Hash Bay	1
Olympia	3
Seattle	1
Spokane	2
Wenatchee	3
Yakima	1
West Virginia	
Beckley	6
Charleston	2
Clarksburg	1
Gilbert	7
Hinton	4
Moorefield	7
Spencer	6
Sutton	5
Wisconsin	
La Crosse (P)	1
Green Bay	1
Madison	1
Menomonie	2
Milwaukee	2
*Park Falls	6
Wausau	3
Wyoming	
Casper	1
Cheyenne	3
Lander	3
Sheridan (P)	3

Notes:

1 Stations marked with an asterisk (*) are funded by private interest groups.

2 Stations marked (R) are low powered experimental repeater stations serving a very limited local area.

3 Stations marked (P) operate less than 24 hours/day, however, hours are extended when possible during severe weather.

4 Occasionally the frequency of an existing or planned station must be changed because of unexpected radio frequency interference with adjacent NOAA Weather Radio stations and/or with other government or commercial operators within the area.

TECHNICAL APPENDIX C

REQUIRED CONTAINERS, PRESERVATION TECHNIQUES, HOLDING TIMES AND 40 CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS (CFR) PART 136

REQUIRED CONTAINERS, PRESERVATION TECHNIQUES, AND HOLDING TIMES			
Parameter	**Container(1)**	**Preservative (2), (3)**	**Maximum Holding Time (4)**
Bacterial Tests			
Coliform, fecal and total	P, G	Cool, 4°C 0.008% $Na_2S_2O_3$ (5)	6 hours
Fecal streptococci	P, G	Cool, 4°C 0.008% $Na_2S_2O_3$ (5)	6 hours
Inorganic Tests			
Acidity	P, G	Cool, 4°C	14 days
Alkalinity	P, G	Cool, 4°C	14 days
Ammonia	P, G	Cool, 4°C H_2SO_4 to pH<2	28 days
Biochemical oxygen demand	P, G	Cool, 4°C	48 hours
Biochemical oxygen demand, carbonaceous	P, G	Cool, 4°C	48 hours
Bromide	P, G	None required	28 days
Chemical oxygen demand	P, G	Cool, 4°C H_2SO_4 to pH<2	28 days
Chloride	P, G	None required	28 days
Chlorine, total residual	P, G	None required	Analyze immediately
Color	P, G	Cool, 4°C	48 hours
Cyanide, total and amenable to chlorination	P, G	Cool, 4°C NaOH to pH>12 0.6g ascorbic acid (5)	14 days (6)
Fluoride	P	None required	28 days
Hardness	P, G	$HN0_3$ to pH<2 H_2SO_4 to pH<2	6 months
Hydrogen ion (pH)	P, G	None required	Analyze immediately
Kjeldahl and organic Nitrogen	P, G	Cool, 4°C H_2SO_4 to pH<2	28 days
Metals (7)			
Chromium VI	P, G	Cool, 4°C	28 hours
Mercury	P, G	$HN0_3$ to pH<2	28 hours
Metals, except above	P, G	$HN0_3$ to pH<2	6 months
Nitrate	P, G	Cool, 4°C	48 hours

REQUIRED CONTAINERS, PRESERVATION TECHNIQUES, AND HOLDING TIMES			
Parameter	**Container(1)**	**Preservative (2), (3)**	**Maximum Holding Time (4)**
Nitrate-nitrite	P, G	Cool, 4°C H_2SO_4 to pH<2	28 days
Nitrite	P, G	Cool, 4°C	48 hours
O&G	G	Cool, 4°C H_2SO_4 or HCl to pH<2	28 days
Organic carbon	P, G	Cool, 4°C HCl or H_2SO_4 to pH<2	28 days
Orthophosphate	P, G	Filter immediately Cool, 4°C	48 hours
Oxygen, Dissolved Probe	G bottle and top	None required	Analyze immediately
Dissolved oxygen, Winkler method	G bottle and top	Fix on site and store in dark	8 hours
Phenols	G only	Cool, 4°C H_2SO_4 to pH<2	28 days
Phosphorus (elemental)	G	Cool, 4°C	48 hours
Phosphorus, total	P, G	Cool, 4°C H_2SO_4 to pH<2	28 days
Residue, total	P, G	Cool, 4°C	7 days
Residue, filterable	P, G	Cool, 4°C	7 days
Residue, nonfilterable (TSS)	P, G	Cool, 4°C	7 days
Residue, settleable	P, G	Cool, 4°C	48 hours
Residue, volatile	P, G	Cool, 4°C	7 days
Silica	P	Cool, 4°C	28 days
Specific conductance	P, G	Cool, 4°C	28 days
Sulfate	P, G	Cool, 4°C	28 days
Sulfide	P, G	Cool, 4°C, add zinc acetate plus sodium hydroxide to pH>9	7 days
Sulfite	P, G	None required	Analyze immediately
Surfactants	P, G	Cool, 4°C	48 hours
Temperature	P, G	None required	Analyze
Turbidity	P, G	Cool, 4°C	48 hours

REQUIRED CONTAINERS, PRESERVATION TECHNIQUES, AND HOLDING TIMES			
Parameter	**Container(1)**	**Preservative (2), (3)**	**Maximum Holding Time (4)**
Organic Tests (8)			
Purgeable halocarbons	G, Teflon-lined septum	Cool, 4°C 0.008% $Na_2S_2O_3$ (5)	14 days
Purgeable aromatics	G, Teflon-lined septum	Cool, 4°C 0.008% $Na_2S_2O_3$ (5) HCl to pH<2 (9)	14 days
Acrolein and acrylonitrile	G, Teflon-lined septum	Cool, 4°C 0.008% $Na_2S_2O_3$ (5) Adjust pH to 4-5 (10)	14 days
Phenols (11)	G, Teflon-lined cap	Cool, 4°C 0.008% $Na_2S_2O_3$ (5)	7 days until extraction, 40 days after extraction
Benzidines (11)	G, Teflon-lined cap	Cool, 4°C 0.008% $Na_2S_2O_3$ (5)	7 days until extraction (13)
Phthalate esters (11)	G, Teflon-lined cap	Cool, 4°C	7 days until extraction, 40 days after extraction
Nitrosamines (11), (14)	G, Teflon-lined cap	Cool, 4°C store in dark 0.008% $Na_2S_2O_3$	7 days until extraction, 40 days after extraction
PCBs (11) acrylonitrite	G, Teflon-lined cap	Cool, 4°C	7 days until extraction, 40 days after extraction
Nitroaromatics and isophorone (11)	G, Teflon-lined cap	Cool, 4°C store in dark 0.008% $NA_2S_2O_3$ (5)	7 days until extraction, 40 days after extraction
Polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons (11)	G, Teflon-lined cap	Cool, 4°C store in dark 0.008% $Na_2S_2O_3$ (5)	7 days until extraction, 40 days after extraction
Haloethers (11)	G, Teflon-lined cap	Cool, 4°C 0.008% $Na_2S_2O_3$ (5)	7 days until extraction, 40 days after extraction
Chlorinated hydrocarbons (11)	G, Teflon-lined cap	Cool, 4°C	7 days until extraction, 40 days after extraction
TCDD (11)	G, Teflon-lined cap	Cool, 4°C 0.008% $Na_2S_2O_3$ (5)	7 days until extraction, 40 days after extraction
Pesticides Tests			
Pesticides (11)	G, Teflon-lined cap	Cool, 4°C pH 5-9 (15)	7 days until extraction, 40 days after extraction
Radiological Tests			
Alpha, beta, and radium	P, G	$HN0_3$ to pH<2	6 months

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(1) Polyethylene (P) or Glass (G).

(2) Sample preservation should be performed immediately upon sample collection. For composite chemical samples each aliquot should be preserved at the time of collection. When use of an automated sampler makes it impossible to preserve each aliquot, then chemical samples may be preserved by maintaining at 4°C until compositing and sample splitting is completed.

(3) When any sample is to be shipped by common carrier or sent through the United States Mails, it must comply with the Department of Transportation Hazardous Materials Regulations (49 CFR Part 172). The person offering such material for transportation is responsible for ensuring such compliance. For the preservation requirements of Table II, the Office of Hazardous Materials, Materials Transportation Bureau, Department of Transportation has determined that the Hazardous Materials Regulations do not apply to the following materials: Hydrochloric acid (HCl) in water solutions at concentrations of 0.04% by weight or less (pH about 1.96 or greater); Nitric acid (HNO_3) in water solutions at concentrations of 0.15% by weight or less (pH about 1.62 or greater); Sulfuric acid (H_2SO_4) in water solutions at concentrations of 0.35% by weight or less (pH about 1.15 or greater); and Sodium hydroxide (NaOH) in water solutions at concentrations of 0.080% by weights or less (pH about 12.30 or less).

(4) Samples should be analyzed as soon as possible after collection. The times listed are the maximum times that samples may be held before analysis and still be considered valid. Samples may be held for longer periods only if the permittee, or monitoring laboratory, has data on file to show that the specific types of samples under study are stable for the longer time, and has received a variance from the Regional Administrator under § 136.3(e). Some samples may not be stable for the maximum time period given in the table. A permittee, or monitoring laboratory, is obligated to hold the sample for a shorter time if knowledge exists to show that this is necessary to maintain sample stability. See § 136.3(e) for details.

(5) Should only be used in the presence of residual chlorine.

(6) Maximum holding time is 24 hours when sulfide is present. Optionally all samples may be tested with lead acetate paper before pH adjustments in order to determine if sulfide is present. If sulfide is present, it can be removed by the addition of cadmium nitrate powder until a negative spot test is obtained. The sample is filtered and then NaOH is added to pH 12.

(7) Samples should be filtered immediately on-site before adding preservative for dissolved metals.

(8) Guidance applies to samples to be analyzed by GC, LC, or GC/MS for specific compounds.

(9) Sample receiving no pH adjustment must be analyzed within seven days of sampling.

(10) The pH adjustment is not required if acrolein will not be measured. Samples for acrolein receiving no pH adjustment must be analyzed within 3 days of sampling.

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(11) When the extractable analytes of concern fall within a single chemical category, the specified preservative and maximum holding times should be observed for optimum safeguard of sample integrity. When the analytes of concern fall within two or more chemical categories, the sample may be preserved by cooling to 4°C, reducing residual chlorine with 0.008% sodium thiosulfate, storing in the dark,and adjusting the pH to 6-9; samples preserved in this manner may be held for seven days before extraction and for forty days after extraction. Exceptions to this optional preservation and holding time procedure are noted in footnote 5 (re the requirement for thiosulfate reduction of residual chlorine), and footnotes 12, 13 (re the analysis of benzidine).

(12) If 1,2-diphenylhydrazine is likely to be present, adjust the pH of the sample to 4.0 $\pm$ 0.2 to prevent rearrangement to benzidine.

(13) Extracts may be stored up to 7 days before analysis if storage is conducted under an inert (oxidant-free) atmosphere.

(14) For the analysis of diphenylnitrosamine, add 0.008% $Na_2S_2O_3$ and adjust pH to 7-10 with NaOH within 24 hours of sampling.

(15) The pH adjustment may be performed upon receipt at the laboratory and may be omitted if the samples are extracted within 72 hours of collection. For the analysis of aldrin, add 0.008% $Na_2S_2O^3$.

Source: 40 CFR 136.3 Table II

TABLE IA—LIST OF APPROVED BIOLOGICAL TEST PROCEDURES

Parameter and units	Method [1]	EPA [2]	Reference (Method Number or Page)		
			Standard Methods 15th Ed.	ASTM	USGS
Bacteria:					
1. Coliform (fecal) number per 100 ml.	MPN, 5 tube, 3 dilution; or, membrane filter (MF)[4], single step.	Page 132.	908C		
2. Coliform (fecal) in presence of chlorine number per 100 ml.	MPN, 5 tube, 3 dilution; or, MF [4], single step.[4a]	p. 124	909		B-0050-77.
3. Coliform (total, number per 100 ml.	MPN, 5 tube, 3 dilution; or, MF [4] single step or two step.	p. 114	908A		
		p. 108	909A		B-0025-77.
4. Coliform (total) in presence of chlorine, number per 100 ml.	MPN, 5 tube, dilution; or MF [4] with enrichment.	p. 114	908A		
		p. 111	909 (A+A.5c)		
5. Fecal streptococci, number per 100 ml.	MPN, 5 tube, 3 dilution; MF [4]; or, plate count.	p. 139	910A		
	p. 136		910B		B0055-77.[5]
	p. 143		910C		

Table IA Notes

[1] The method used must be specified when results are reported.

[2] "Microbiological Methods for Monitoring the Environment, Water and Waste, 1978", EPA-600/8-78-017, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

[3] Greeson, P.E., *et al.*, "Methods for Collection and Analysis of Aquatic Biological and Microbiological Samples, "U.S. Geological Survey, Techniques of Water-Resources Investigations, Book 5, Chapter A4, Laboratory Analysis, 1977.

[4] 0.45 µm membrane filter or other pore size certified by the manufacturer to fully retain organisms to be cultivated, and free of extractables which could interfere with their growth and development.

[4a] Since the membrane filter technique usually yields low and variable recovery from chlorinated wastewaters, the MPN method will be required to resolve any controversies.

[5] Approved only if dissolution of the KF Streptococcus Agar (Section 5.1, USGS Method B-0055-77) is made in a boiling water bath to avoid scorching of the medium.

TABLE IB—LIST OF APPROVED INORGANIC TEST PROCEDURES

Parameter, units and method	Reference (method No. or page)				
	EPA 1979 [3,4]	Std. methods 16th ED	ASTM	USGS [1]	Other
1. Acidity, as $CaCO_3$ mg/L: Electrometric end point or phenolphthalein end point.	305.1	402(4.a)	1067-82(E)		
2. Alkalinity, as $CaCO_3$ mg/L:					
Electrometric or colorimetric titration to pH 4.5, manual, or.	310.1	403	D1067-82(B)	I-1030-84	33.014[6].
Automated	310.2			I-2030-84	
3. Aluminum—Total,[2] mg/L: Digestion [5] followed by:					
AA direct aspiration	202.1	303C		I-3051-85	
AA furnace	202.2	304			
Inductively coupled plasma (ICP)					200.7.[4]
Direct current plasma (DCP) or					Note 33.
Colorimetric (Eriochrome cyanine R)		306B			
4. Ammonia (as N), mg/L: Manual distillation (at pH 9.5) [5] followed by:	350.2	417A			33.057.[6]
Nesslerization	350.2	417B	D1426-79(A)	I-3520-84	33.057.[6]
Titration	350.2	417D			
Electrode	350.3	417 E or F	D1426-79(D)		
Automated phenate or	350.1	417G	D1426-79(C)	I-4523-84	
Automated electrode					Note 6.
5. Antimony—Total [2], mg/L: Digestion [5] followed by:					
AA direct aspiration	204.1	303A			
AA furnace, or	204.2	304			
Inductively coupled plasma					200.7.[4]
6. Arsenic—Total [2], mg/L: Digestion [5] followed by	206.5				
AA gaseous hydride	206.3	303E	D2972-84(B)	I-3062-84	
AA furnace	206.2	304			
Inductively coupled plasma, or					200.7.[4]
Colorimetric (SDDC)	206.4	307B	D2972-84(A)	I-3060-84	
7. Barium—Total,[2] mg/L: Digestion [5] followed by:					
AA direct aspiration	208.1	303C		I-3084-85	
AA furnace	208.2	304			
ICP, or					200.7.[4]
DCP					Note 33.
8. Beryllium—Total,[2] mg/L: Digestion [5] followed by:					
AA direct aspiration	210.1	303C	D3645-84(A)	I-3095-85	
AA furnace	210.2	304			

TABLE IB—LIST OF APPROVED INORGANIC TEST PROCEDURES—Continued

Parameter, units and method	Reference (method No. or page)				
	EPA 1979 [24]	Std. methods 16th ED	ASTM	USGS [1]	Other
ICP					200.7.[4]
DCP, or					Note 33.
Colorimetric (aluminon)		309B			
9. Biochemical oxygen demand (BOD_5), mg/L:					
Dissolved Oxygen Depletion	405.1	507		1-1578-78 [7]	33.019 [3], p. 17.[9]
10. Boron—Total, mg/L:					
Colorimetric (curcumin)	212.3	404A		I-3112-85	
ICP, or					200.7.[4]
DCP					Note 33.
11. Bromide, mg/L: Titrimetric	320.1		D1246-82(C)	I-1125-84	p. 544.[9]
12. Cadmium—Total,[8] mg/L: Digestion [8] followed by:					
AA direct aspiration	213.1	303 A or B	D3557-84 (A or B).	I-3135-85 or I-3136-85.	33.089.[3] p. 37.[9]
AA furnace	213.2	304			
ICP					200.7.[4]
DCP					Note 33.
Voltametry,[10] or			D3557-84(C)		
Colorimetric (Dithizone)		310B			
13. Calcium—Total,[8] mg/L: Digestion [8] followed by:					
AA direct aspiration	215.1	303A	D511-84(B)	I-3152-85	
ICP					200.7.[4]
DCP, or					Note 33.
Titrimetric (EDTA)	215.2	311C	D511-84(A)		
14. Carbonaceous biochemical oxygen demand ($CBOD_5$), mg/L [11]: Dissolved Oxygen Depletion with nitrification inhibitor.		507(5.e.6)			
15. Chemical oxygen demand (COD), mg/L:					
Titrimetric, or	410.1, 410.2, or 410.3	508A	D1252-83	I-3560-84 or I-3562-84.	33.034 [3], p. 17.[9]
Spectrophotometric, manual or automated.	410.4			I-3561-84	Notes 12 or 13.
16. Chloride, mg/L:					
Titrimetric (silver nitrate)		407A	D512-81(B)	I-1183-84	
or (Mercuric nitrate), or	325.3	407B	D512-81(A)	I-1184-84	33.067.[3]
Colorimetric, manual or			D512-81(C)	I-1187-84	
Automated (Ferricyanide)	325.1, or 325.2	407D		I-2187-84	
17. Chlorine—Total residual, mg/L:					
Titrimetric:					
Amperometric direct	330.1	408C	D1253-76(A)		
Starch end point direct	330.3	408A	D1253-76(B)		
			Part 18.3		
Back titration either end point [14], or.	330.2	408B			
DPD-FAS	330.4	408D			
Spectrophotometric, DPD	330.5	408E			
Or Electrode					Note 15.
18. Chromium VI dissolved, mg/L: 0.45 micron filtration followed by:					
AA chelation-extraction, or	218.4	303B		I-1232-84	
Colorimetric (Diphenylcarbazide)				I-1230-84	307B.[16]
19. Chromium—Total,[8] mg/L: Digestion [8] followed by:					
AA direct aspiration	218.1	303A	D1687-84(D)	I-3236-85	33.089.[3]
AA chelation-extraction	218.3	303B			
AA furnace	218.2	304			
ICP					200.7.[4]
DCP, or					Note 33.
Colorimetric (Diphenylcarbazide)		312B	D1687-84(A)		
20. Cobalt—Total,[8] mg/L: Digestion [8] followed by:					
AA direct aspiration	219.1	303 A or B	D3558-84 (A or B).	I-3239-85 or I-3240-85b.	p. 37.[9]
AA furnace	219.2	304			
ICP, or					200.7.[4]
DCP					Note 33.
21. Color platinum cobalt units or dominant wavelength, hue, luminance purity:					
Colorimetric (ADMI), or	110.1	204D			Note 17.
(Platinum cobalt), or	110.2	204A		I-1250-84	
Spectrophotometric	110.3	204B			

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Parameter, units and method	Reference (method No. or page)				
	EPA 1979 [3,4]	Std. methods 16th ED	ASTM	USGS [1]	Other
22. Copper—Total,[8] mg/L; Digestion [3] followed by:					
AA direct aspiration	220.1	303 A or B	D1688-84 (D or E).	I-3270-85 or I-3271-85.	33.089.[2] p. 37.[6]
AA furnace	220.2	304			
ICP					200.7.[4]
DCP, or					Note 33.
Colorimetric (Neocuproine), or (Bicinchoninate).		313B	D1688-84(A)		Note 18.
23. Cyanide—Total, mg.L: Manual distillation with $MgCl_2$ followed by		412B			
Titrimetric, or		412C			p. 22.[6]
Spectrophotometric, manual or	335.2	412D	D2036-82(A)	I-3300-84	
Automated.[10]	335.3		D2036-82(A)		
24. Cyanide amenable to chlorination, mg/L: Manual distillation with $MgCl_2$ followed by titrimetric or spectrophotometric.	335.1	412F	D2036-82(B)		
25. Fluoride—Total, mg/L: Manual distillation[5] followed by:		413A			
Electrode, manual or	340.2	413B	D1179-80(B)		
Automated,				I-4327-84	
Colorimetric (SPADNS),	340.1	413C	D1179-80(A)		
Or Automated complexone	340.3	413E			
26. Gold—Total,[8] mg/L; Digestion [3] followed by:					
AA direct aspiration	231.2	303A			
AA furnace, or	231.2	304			
DCP					Note 33.
27. Hardness—Total, as $CaCO_3$, mg/L:					
Automated colorimetric,	130.1				
Titrimetric (EDTA), or Ca plus Mg as their carbonates, by inductively coupled plasma or AA direct aspiration. (See Parameters 13 and 33.).	130.2	314B	D1126-80	I-1338-84	33.082.[2]
28. Hydrogen ion (pH), pH units:					
Electrometric, measurement, or	150.1	423	D1293-84 (A or B).	I-1586-84	33.006.[2]
Automated electrode					Note 20.
29. Iridium—Total[8], mg/L; Digestion[3] followed by:					
AA direct aspiration, or	235.1	303A			
AA furnace	235.2	304			
30. Iron—Total,[8] mg/L; Digestion [3] followed by:					
AA direct aspiration	236.1	303 A or B	D1068-84 (C or D).	I-3381-85	33.089.[2]
AA furnace	236.2	304			
ICP					200.7.[4]
DCP, or					Note 33.
Colorimetric (Phenanthroline)		315B	D1068-84(A)		Note 21.
31. Kjeldahl nitrogen—Total, (as N), mg/L: Digestion and distillation followed by:	351.3	420 A or B	D3590-84(A)		
Titration	351.3	417D	D3590-84(A)		33.051.[2]
Nesslerization	351.3	417B	D3590-84(A)		
Electrode	351.3	417 E or F			
Automated phenate	351.1			I-4551-78 [7]	
Semi-automated block digestor, or	351.2		D3590-84(A)		
Potentiometric	351.4		D3590-84(A)		
32. Lead—Total,[8] mg/L; Digestion [3] followed by:					
AA direct aspiration	239.1	303 A or B	D3559-84 (A or B)	I-3399-85	33.089.[2]
AA furnace	239.2	304			
ICP					200.7.[4]
DCP					Note 33.
Voltametry,[10] or			D3559-85(C)		
Colorimetric (Dithizone)		316B			
33. Magnesium—Total,[8] mg/L; Digestion [3] followed by:					
AA direct aspiration	242.1	303A	D511-84(B)	I-3447-85	33.089.[2]
ICP					200.7.[4]
DCP, or					Note 33.
Gravimetric		318B	D511-77(A)		
34. Manganese—Total,[8] mg/L; Digestion [3] followed by:					
AA direct aspiration	243.1	304 A or B	D858-84 (B or C).	I-3454-85	33.089.[2]
AA furnace	243.2	304			
ICP					200.7.[4]
DCP, or					Note 33.
Colorimetric (Persulfate) or		319B	D858-84(A)		33.126.[2]
(Periodate)					Note 22.

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Parameter, units and method	Reference (method No. or page)				
	EPA 1979 [2,4]	Std. methods 16th ED	ASTM	USGS [1]	Other
35. Mercury—Total [5], mg/L:					
Cold vapor, manual or	245.1	303F	D3223-80	I-3462-84	33.095.[3]
Automated	245.2				
36. Molybdenum—Total,[5] mg/L: Digestion [5] followed by:					
AA direct aspiration	246.1	303C		I-3490-85	
AA furnace	246.2	304			
ICP, or					200.7.[4]
DCP					Note 33.
37. Nickel—Total,[5] mg/L: Digestion [5] followed by:					
AA direct aspiration	249.1	303 A or B	D1886-84 (C or D).	I-3499-85	
AA furnace	249.2	304			
ICP					200.7.[4]
DCP, or					Note 33.
Colorimetric (Heptoxime)		321B			
38. Nitrate (as N), mg/L: Colorimetric (Brucine sulfate), or Nitrate-nitrite N minus Nitrite N (See parameters 39 and 40).	352.1		D992-71		33.063 [3], 419D [16], p. 28.[3]
39. Nitrate-nitrite (as N), mg/L: Cadmium reduction, Manual or	353.3	418C	D3867-85(B)		
Automated, or	353.2	418F	D3867-85(A)	I-4545-84	
Automated hydrazine	353.1				
40. Nitrite (as N), mg/L: Spectrophotometric:					
Manual or	354.1	419	D1254-67		Note 24.
Automated (Diazotization)				I-4540-84	
41. Oil and grease—Total recoverable, mg/L: Gravimetric (extraction).	413.1	503A			
42. Organic carbon—Total (TOC), mg/L: Combustion or oxidation.	415.1	505	D2579.85 (A or B).		33.044 [3], p. 4.[33]
43. Organic nitrogen (as N) mg/L: Total Kjeldahl N (Parameter 31) minus ammonia N (Parameter 4.).					
44. Orthophosphate (as P), mg/L: Ascorbic acid method:					
Automated or	365.1	424G		I-4601-84	33.116. [3]
Manual single reagent	365.2	424F	D515-82(A)		33.111. [3]
or Manual two reagent	365.3				
45. Osmium—Total [5], mg/L: Digestion [5] followed by:					
AA direct aspiration, or	252.1	303C			
AA furnace	252.2	304			
46. Oxygen dissolved, mg/L: Winkler (Azide: modification), or	360.2	421B	D888-81(C)	I-1575-78 [7]	33.028. [3]
Electrode	360.1	421F		I-1576-78 [7]	
47. Palladium—Total,[5] mg/L: Digestion [5] followed by:					
AA direct aspiration	253.1				p. S27.[9]
AA furnace	253.2				p. S28.[9]
DCP					Note 33.
48. Phenols, mg/L:					
Manual distillation [20]	420.1		D1783-80 (A or B).		Note 26.
Followed by:					
Colorimetric (4AAP) manual, or	420.1				Note 26.
Automated [19]	420.2				
49. Phosphorus (elemental) mg/L: Gas-liquid chromatography.					Note 27.
50. Phosphorus—Total, mg/L: Persulfate digestion followed by	365.2	424C(III)			33.111.[3]
Manual or	365.2 or 365.3.	424F	D515-82(A)		
Automated ascorbic acid reduction, or.	365.1	424G		I-4600-84	33.116.[3]
Semi-automated block digestor	365.4				
51. Platinum—Total,[5] mg/L: Digestion [5] followed by:					
AA direct aspiration	255.1	303A			
AA furnace	255.2	304			
DCP					Note 33.
52. Potassium—total [5], mg/L: Digestion followed by:					
AA direct aspiration	258.1	303A		I-3630-84	33.103.[3]
Inductively coupled plasma					200.7.[4]
Flame photometric, or		322B	D1428-82(A)		
Colorimetric (Cobaltinitrate)					317B.[16]
53. Residue—Total, mg/L: Gravimetric, 103-105°C.	160.3	209A		I-3750-84	
54. Residue—filterable, mg/L: Gravimetric, 180°C.	160.1	209B		I-1750-84	
55. Residue—nonfilterable, (TSS), mg/L: Gravimetric, 103-105°C post washing of residue.	160.2	209C		I-3765-84	

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Parameter, units and method	Reference (method No. or page)				
	EPA 1979 [54]	Std. methods 16th ED	ASTM	USGS [1]	Other
56. Residue—settleable, mg/L: Volumetric, (Imhoff cone) or gravimetric.	160.5	209E		1	
57. Residue—Volatile, mg/L: Gravimetric, 550°C.	160.4	209D		I-3753-84	
58. Rhodium—Total [2], mg/L: Digestion [3] followed by:.					
AA direct aspiration, or	265.1	303A			
AA furnace	265.2	304			
59. Ruthenium—Total [2], mg/L: Digestion [3] followed by:					
AA direct aspiration, or	267.1	303A			
AA furnace	267.2	304			
60. Selenium—Total [2], mg/L: Digestion [3] followed by:					
AA furnace	270.2	304			
Inductively coupled plasma, or					200.7[4]
AA gaseous hydride	270.3	303E	D3859-84(A)	I-3667-84	
61. Silica—Dissolved, mg/L: 0.45 micron filtration followed by:					
Colorimetric, Manual or	370.1	425C	D859-80(B)	I-1700-84	
Automated (Molybdosilicate), or				I-2700-84	
Inductively coupled plasma					200.7.[4]
62. Silver—Total,[2,6] mg/L: Digestion [3] followed by:					
AA direct aspiration	272.1	303 A or B		I-3720-85	33.089.[5] p. 37.[6]
AA furnace	272.2	304			
Colorimetric (Dithizone)					319B.[16]
ICP, or					200.7.[4]
DCP					Note 33.
63. Sodium—Total,[2] mg/L; Digestion [3] followed by:					
AA direct aspiration	273.1	303A		I-3735-85	33.107.[5]
ICP					200.7.[4]
DCP, or					Note 33.
Flame photometric		325B	D1428-82(A)		
64. Specific conductance, micromhos/cm at 25°C: Wheatstone bridge	120.1	205	D1125-82(A)	I-1780-84	33.002.[5]
65. Sulfate (as SO_4), mg/L:					
Automated colorimetric (barium chloranilate).	375.1				
Gravimetric, or	375.3	426 A or B	D516-82(A)		33.124.[5]
Turbidimetric	375.4		D516-82(B)		426C.[8,9]
66. Sulfide (as S), mg/L:					
Titrimetric (iodine) or	376.1	427D		I-3840-84	228A.[8,9]
Colorimetric (methylene blue)	376.2	427C			
67. Sulfite (as SO_3), mg/L: Titrimetric (iodine-iodate).	377.1	428A	D1339-84(C)		
68. Surfactants, mg/L: Colorimetric (methylene blue).	425.1	512B	D2330-82(A)		
69. Temperature, °C.: Thermometric	170.1	212			Note 31.
70. Thallium—Total [2], mg/L: Digestion [3] followed by:					
AA direct aspiration	279.1	303A			
AA furnace, or	279.2	304			
Inductively coupled plasma					200.7.[4]
71. Tin—Total [2], mg/L: Digestion [3] followed by:					
AA direct aspiration, or	282.1	303A		I-3850-78 [7]	
AA furnace,	282.2	304			
72. Titanium—Total,[2] mg/L; Digestion [3] followed by:					
AA direct aspiration	283.1	303C			
AA furnace	283.2	304			
DCP					Note 33.
73. Turbidity, NTU: Nephelometric	180.1	214A	D1889-81	I-3860-84	
74. Vanadium—Total,[2] mg/L; Digestion [3] followed by:					
AA direct aspiration	286.1	303C			
AA furnace	286.2	304			
ICP					200.7.[4]
DCP, or					Note 33.
Colorimetric (Gallic acid)		327B	D3373-84(A)		
75. Zinc—Total,[2] mg/L; Digestion [3] followed by:					
AA direct aspiration	289.1	303 A or B	D1691-84 (C or D).	I-3900-85	33.089.[5] p. 37.[6]
AA furnace	289.2	304			
ICP					200.7.[4]
DCP, or					Note 33.
Colorimetric (Dithizone) or		328C			
(Zincon)					Note 32.

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[1] "Methods for Analysis of Inorganic Substances in Water and Fluvial Sediments," U.S. Department of the Interior, U.S. Geological Survey, Open-File Report 85-495, 1986, unless otherwise stated.

[2] "Official Methods of Analysis of the Association of Official Analytical Chemists," methods manual, 14th ed. (1984).

[3] For the determination of total metals the sample is not filtered before processing. A digestion procedure is required to solubilize suspended material and to destroy possible organic-metal complexes. Two digestion procedures are given in "Methods for Chemical Analysis of Water and Wastes, 1979." One (section 4.1.3), is a vigorous digestion using nitric acid. A less vigorous digestion using nitric and hydrochloric acids (section 4.1.4) is preferred; however, the analyst should be cautioned that this mild digestion may not suffice for all sample types. Particularly, if a colorimetric procedure is to be employed, it is necessary to ensure that all organo-metallic bonds be broken so that the metal is in a reactive state. In those situations, the vigorous digestion is to be preferred making certain that at no time does the sample go to dryness. Samples containing large amounts of organic materials would also benefit by this vigorous digestion. Use of the graphite furnace technique, inductively coupled plasma, as well as determinations for certain elements such as arsenic, the noble metals, mercury, selenium, and titanium require a modified digestion and in all cases the method write-up should be consulted for specific instruction and/or cautions.

NOTE: If the digestion included in one of the other approved references is different than the above, the EPA procedure must be used.

Dissolved metals are defined as those constituents which will pass through a 0.45 micron membrane filter. Following filtration of the sample, the referenced procedure for total metals must be followed. Sample digestion for dissolved metals may be omitted for AA (direct aspiration or graphite furnace) and ICP analyses provided the sample solution to be analyzed meets the following criteria:

a. has a low COD (<20)
b. is visibly transparent with a turbidity measurement of 1 NTU or less.
c. is colorless with no perceptable odor, and
d. is of one liquid phase and free of particulate or suspended matter following acidification.

[4] The full text of Method 200.7, "Inductively Coupled Plasma Atomic Emission Spectrometric Method for Trace Element Analysis of Water and Wastes," is given at Appendix C of this Part 136.

[5] Manual distillation is not required if comparability data on representative effluent samples are on company file to show that this preliminary distillation step is not necessary; however, manual distillation will be required to resolve any controversies.

[6] Ammonia, Automated Electrode Method, Industrial Method Number 379-75 WE, dated February 19, 1976, Technicon AutoAnalyzer II, Technicon Industrial Systems, Tarrytown, NY. 10591.

[7] The approved method is that cited in "Methods for Determination of Inorganic Substances in Water and Fluvial Sediments", USGS TWRI, Book 5, Chapter A1 (1979).

[8] American National Standard on Photographic Processing Effluents, Apr. 2, 1975. Available from ANSI, 1430 Broadway, New York, NY 10018.

[9] "Selected Analytical Methods Approved and Cited by the United States Environmental Protection Agency," Supplement to the Fifteenth Edition of *Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater* (1981).

[10] The use of normal and differential pulse voltage ramps to increase sensitivity and resolution is acceptable.

[11] Carbonaceous biochemical oxygen demand ($CBOD_5$) must not be confused with the traditional BOD_5 test which measures "total BOD." The addition of the nitrification inhibitor is not a procedural option, but must be included to report the $CBOD_5$ parameter. A discharger whose permit requires reporting the traditional BOD_5 may not use a nitrification inhibitor in the procedure for reporting the results. Only when a discharger's permit specifically states $CBOD_5$ is required, can the permittee report data using the nitrification inhibitor.

[12] OIC Chemical Oxygen Demand Method, Oceanography International Corporation, 512 West Loop, P.O. Box 2980, College Station, TX 77840.

[13] Chemical Oxygen Demand, Method 8000, Hach Handbook of Water Analysis, 1979, Hach chemical Company, P.O. Box 389, Loveland, CO 80537.

[14] The back titration method will be used to resolve controversy.

[15] Orion Research Instruction Manual, Residual Chlorine Electrode Model 97-70, 1977, Orion Research Incorporated, 840 Memorial Drive, Cambridge, MA 02138.

[16] The approved method is that cited in *Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater*, 14th Edition, 1976.

[17] National Council of the Paper Industry for Air and Stream Improvement, (Inc.) Technical Bulletin 253, December 1971.

[18] Copper, Biocinchoinate Method, Method 8506, Hach Handbook of Water Analysis, 1979, Hach Chemical Company, P.O. Box 389, Loveland, CO 80537.

[19] After the manual distillation is completed, the autoanalyzer manifolds in EPA Methods 335.3 (cyanide) or 420.2 (phenols) are simplified by connecting the re-sample line directly to the sampler. When using the manifold setup shown in Method 335.3, the buffer 6.2 should be replaced with the buffer 7.6 found in Method 335.2.

[20] Hydrogen Ion (pH) Automated Electrode Method, Industrial Method Number 378-75WA, October 1976, Technicon Auto-Analyzer II, Technicon Industrial Systems, Tarrytown, NY 10591.

[21] Iron, 1,10-Phenanthroline Method, Method 8008, 1980, Hach Chemical Company, P.O. Box 389, Loveland, CO 80537.

[22] Manganese, Periodate Oxidation Method, Method 8034, Hach Handbook of Wastewater Analysis, 1979, pages 2-113 and 2-117, Hach Chemical Company, Loveland, CO 80537.

[23] Goerlitz, D., Brown, E., "Methods for Analysis of Organic Substances in Water," U.S. Geological Survey Techniques of Water-Resources Inv., book 5, ch. A3, page 4 (1972).

[24] Nitrogen, Nitrite, Method 8507, Hach Chemical Company, P.O. Box 389, Loveland, CO 80537.

[25] Just prior to distillation, adjust the sulfuric-acid-preserved sample to pH 4 with 1 + 9 NaOH.

[26] The approved method is that cited in *Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater*, 14th Edition. The colorimetric reaction is conducted at a pH of 10.0±0.2. The approved methods are given on pp. 576-81 of the 14th Edition: Method 510A for distillation, Method 510B for the manual colorimetric procedure, or Method 510C for the manual spectrophotometric procedure.

[27] R. F. Addison and R. G. Ackman, "Direct Determination of Elemental Phosphorus by Gas-Liquid Chromatography," *Journal of Chromatography*, vol. 47, No. 3, pp. 421-426, 1970.

[28] Approved methods for the analysis of silver in industrial wastewaters at concentrations of 1 mg/L and above are inadequate where silver exists as an inorganic halide. Silver halides such as the bromide and chloride are relatively insoluble in reagents such as nitric acid but are readily soluble in an aqueous buffer of sodium thiosulfate and sodium hydroxide to a pH of 12. Therefore, for levels of silver above 1 mg/L, 20 mL of sample should be diluted to 100 mL by adding 40 mL each of 2 M $Na_2S_2O_3$ and 2M NaOH. Standards should be prepared in the same manner. For levels of silver below 1 mg/L the approved method is satisfactory.

[29] The approved method is that cited in *Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater*, 15th Edition.

[30] The approved method is that cited in *Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater*, 13th Edition.

[31] Stevens, H. H., Ficke, J. F., and Smoot, G. F., "Water Temperature—Influential Factors, Field Measurement and Data Presentation," U.S. Geological Survey, Techniques of Water Resources Investigations, Book 1, Chapter D1, 1975

[32] Zinc, Zincon Method, Method 8009, Hach Handbook of Water Analysis, 1979, pages 2-231 and 2-333, Hach Chemical Company, Loveland, CO 80537.

[33] "Direct Current Plasma (DCP) Optical Emission Spectometric Method for Trace Elemental Analysis of Water and Wastes, Method AES0029," 1986, Applied Research Laboratories, Inc., 24911 Avenue Stanford, Valencia, CA 91355.

[34] Precision and recovery statements for the atomic absorption direct aspiration and graphite furnace methods, and for the spectrophotometric SDDC method for arsenic are provided in appendix D of this part titled, "Precision and Recovery Statements for Methods for Measuring Metals".

TABLE IC—LIST OF APPROVED TEST PROCEDURES FOR NON-PESTICIDE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS

Parameter [1]	EPA Method Number [2, 3]			Other
	GC	GC/MS	HPLC	
1. Acenaphthene	610	625, 1625	610	
2. Acenaphthylene	610	625, 1625	610	
3. Acrolein	603	[4]624, 1624		

TABLE IC—LIST OF APPROVED TEST PROCEDURES FOR NON-PESTICIDE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS—Continued

Parameter [1]	EPA Method Number [2, 7]			Other
	GC	GC/MS	HPLC	
4. Acrylonitrile	603	[4]624, 1624		
5. Anthracene	610	625, 1625	610	
6. Benzene	602	624, 1624		
7. Benzidine		[5]625, 1625	605	Note 3, p. 1;
8. Benzo(a)anthracene	610	625, 1625	610	
9. Benzo(a)pyrene	610	625, 1625	610	
10. Benzo(b)fluoranthene	610	625, 1625	610	
11. Benzo(g,h,i)perylene	610	625, 1625	610	
12. Benzo(k)fluoranthene	610	625, 1625	610	
13. Benzyl chloride				Note 3, p. 130; Note 6, p. S102.
14. Benzyl butyl phthalate	606	625, 1625		
15. Bis(2-chloroethoxy) methane	611	625, 1625		
16. Bis(2-chloroethyl) ether	611	625, 1625		
17. Bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate	606	625, 1625		
18. Bromodichloromethane	601	624, 1624		
19. Bromoform	601	624, 1624		
20. Bromomethane	601	624, 1624		
21. 4-Bromophenylphenyl ether	611	625, 1625		
22. Carbon tetrachloride	601	624, 1624		Note 3, p. 130;
23. 4-Chloro-3-methylphenol	604	625, 1625		
24. Chlorobenzene	601, 602	624, 1624		Note 3, p. 130;
25. Chloroethane	601	624, 1624		
26. 2-Chloroethylvinyl ether	601	624, 1624		
27. Chloroform	601	624, 1624		Note 3, p. 130;
28. Chloromethane	601	624, 1624		
29. 2-Chloronaphthalene	612	625, 1625		
30. 2-Chlorophenol	604	625, 1625		
31. 4-Chlorophenylphenyl ether	611	625, 1625		
32. Chrysene	610	625, 1625	610	
33. Dibenzo(a,h)anthracene	610	625, 1625	610	
34. Dibromochloromethane	601	624, 1624		
35. 1,2-Dichlorobenzene	601, 602, 612	624, 625, 1625		
36. 1,3-Dichlorobenzene	601, 602, 612	624, 625, 1625		
37. 1,4-Dichlorobenzene	601, 602, 612	625, 1624, 1625		
38. 3,3'-Dichlorobenzidine		625, 1625	605	
39. Dichlorodifluoromethane	601			
40. 1,1-Dichloroethane	601	624, 1624		
41. 1,2-Dichloroethane	601	624, 1624		
42. 1,1-Dichloroethene	601	624, 1624		
43. trans-1,2-Dichloroethene	601	624, 1624		
44. 2,4-Dichlorophenol	604	625, 1625		
45. 1,2-Dichloropropane	601	624, 1624		
46. cis-1,3-Dichloropropene	601	624, 1624		
47. trans-1,3-Dichloropropene	601	624, 1624		
48. Diethyl phthalate	606	625, 1625		
49. 2,4-Dimethylphenol	604	625, 1625		
50. Dimethyl phthalate	606	625, 1625		
51. Di-n-butyl phthalate	606	625, 1625		
52. Di-n-octyl phthalate	606	625, 1625		
53. 2,4-Dinitrophenol	604	625, 1625		
54. 2,4-Dinitrotoluene	609	625, 1625		
55. 2,6-Dinitrotoluene	609	625, 1625		
56. Epichlorohydrin				Note 3, p. 130; Note 6, p. S102.
57. Ethylbenzene	602	624, 1624		
58. Fluoranthene	610	625, 1625	610	
59. Fluorene	610	625, 1625	610	
60. Hexachlorobenzene	612	625, 1625		
61. Hexachlorobutadiene	612	625, 1625		
62. Hexachlorocyclopentadiene	612	[5]625, 1625		
63. Hexachloroethane	612	625, 1625		
64. Ideno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene	610	625, 1625	610	
65. Isophorone	609	625, 1625		
66. Methylene chloride	601	624, 1624		Note 3, p. 130;
67. 2-Methyl-4,6-dinitrophenol	604	625, 1625		
68. Naphthalene	610	625, 1625	610	
69. Nitrobenezene	609	625, 1625		
70. 2-Nitrophenol	604	625, 1625		
71. 4-Nitrophenol	604	625, 1625		
72. N-Nitrosodimethylamine	607	625, 1625		
73. N-Nitrosodi-n-propylamine	607	[5]625, 1625		
74. N-Nitrosodiphenylamine	607	[5]625, 1625		
75. 2,2'-Oxybis(1-chloropropane)	611	625, 1625		
76. PCB-1016	608	625		Note 3, p. 43;
77. PCB-1221	608	625		Note 3, p. 43;
78. PCB-1232	608	625		Note 3, p. 43;
79. PCB-1242	608	625		Note 3, p. 43;
80. PCB-1248	608	625		Note 3, p. 43;
81. PCB-1254	608	625		Note 3, p. 43;
82. PCB-1260	608	625		Note 3, p. 43;
83. Pentachlorophenol	604	625, 1625		Note 3, p. 140;
84. Phenanthrene	610	625, 1625	610	
85. Phenol	604	625, 1625		
86. Pyrene	610	625, 1625	610	

TABLE IC—LIST OF APPROVED TEST PROCEDURES FOR NON-PESTICIDE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS—Continued

Parameter [1]	EPA Method Number [2, 7]			Other
	GC	GC/MS	HPLC	
87. 2,3,7,8-Tetrachlorodibenzo-p-dioxin		[5a] 613		
88. 1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	601	624, 1624		Note 3, p. 130;
89. Tetrachloroethene	601	624, 1624		Note 3, p. 130;
90. Toluene	602	624, 1624		
91. 1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene	612	625, 1625		Note 3, p. 130;
92. 1,1,1-Trichloroethane	601	624, 1624		
93. 1,1,2-Trichloroethane	601	624, 1624		Note 3, p. 130;
94. Trichloroethene	601	624, 1624		
95. Trichlorofluoromethane	601	624		
96. 2,4,6-Trichlorophenol	604	625, 1625		
97. Vinyl chloride	601	624, 1624		

Table IC Notes

[1] All parameters are expressed in micrograms per liter (µg/L).

[2] The full text of Methods 601–613, 624, 625, 1624, and 1625, are given at Appendix A, "Test Procedures for Analysis of Organic Pollutants," of this Part 136. The standardized test procedure to be used to determine the method detection limit (MDL) for these test procedures is given at Appendix B, "Definition and Procedure for the Determination of the Method Detection Limit," of this Part 136.

[3] "Methods for Benzidine; Chlorinated Organic Compounds, Pentachlorophenol and Pesticides in Water and Wastewater," U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, September, 1978.

[4] Method 624 may be extended to screen samples for Acrolein and Acrylonitrile. However, when they are known to be present, the preferred method for these two compounds is Method 603 or Method 1624.

[5] Method 625 may be extended to include benzidine, hexachlorocyclopentadiene, N-nitrosodimethylamine, and N-nitrosodiphenylamine. However, when they are known to be present, Methods 605, 607, and 612, or Method 1625, are preferred methods for these compounds.

[5a] 625, Screening only.

[6] "Selected Analytical Methods Approved and Cited by the United States Environmental Protection Agency," Supplement to the Fifteenth Edition of *Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater* (1981).

[7] Each analyst must make an initial, one-time, demonstration of their ability to generate acceptable precision and accuracy with Methods 601–613, 624, 625, 1624, and 1625 (See Appendix A of this Part 136) in accordance with procedures each in section 8.2 of each of these Methods. Additionally, each laboratory, on an on-going bases must spike and analyze 10% (5% for Methods 624 and 625 and 100% for methods 1624, and 1625) of all samples to monitor and evaluate laboratory data quality in accordance with sections 8.3 and 8.4 of these Methods. When the recovery of any parameter falls outside the warning limits, the analytical results for that parameter in the unspiked sample are suspect and cannot be reported to demonstrate regulatory compliance.

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TABLE ID—LIST OF APPROVED TEST PROCEDURES FOR PESTICIDES [1]

Parameter µg/L)	Method	EPA [2, 7]	Standard Methods 15th Ed	ASTM	Other
1. Aldrin	GC	608	509A	D3086	Note 3, p. 7; Note 4, p. 30.
	GC/MS	625			
2. Ametryn	GC				Note 3, p. 83; Note 6, p. S68.
3. Aminocarb	TLC				Note 3, p. 94; Note 6, p. S16.
4. Atraton	GC				Note 3, p. 83; Note 6, p. S68.
5. Atrazine	GC				Note 3, p. 83; Note 6, p. S68.
6. Azinphos methyl	GC				Note 3, p. 25; Note 6, p. S51.
7. Barban	TLC				Note 3, p. 104; Note 6, p. S64.
8. α-BHC	GC	608	509A	D3086	Note 3, p. 7.
	GC/MS	[5] 625			
9. β-BHC	GC	608		D3086	
	GC/MS	625			
10. δ-BHC	GC	608		D3086	
	GC/MS	[5] 625			
11. γ-BHC (Lindane)	GC	608	509A	D3086	Note 3, p. 7; Note 4, p. 30.
	GC/MS	625			
12. Captan	GC		509A		Note 3, p. 7.
13. Carbaryl	TLC				Note 3, p. 94; Note 6, p. S60.
14. Carbophenothion	GC				Note 4, p. 30; Note 6, p. S73.
15. Chlordane	GC	608	509A	D3086	Note 3, p. 7.
	GC-MS	625			
16. Chloropropham	TLC				Note 3, p. 104; Note 6, p. S64.
17. 2,4-D	GC		509B		Note 3, p. 115; Note 4, p. 35.
18. 4,4'-DDD	GC	608	509A	D3086	Note 3, p. 7; Note 4, p. 30.
	GC-MS	625			
19. 4,4'-DDE	GC	608	509A	D3086	Note 3, p. 7; Note 4, p. 30.
	GC/MS	625			
20. 4,4'-DDT	GC	608	509A	D3086	Note 3, p. 7; Note 4, p. 30.
	GC/MS	625			
21. Demeton-O	GC				Note 3, p. 25; Note 6, p. S51.
22. Demeton-S	GC				Note 3, p. 25; Note 6, p. S51.
23. Diazinon	GC				Note 3, p. 25; Note 4, p. 30; Note 6, p. S51.
24. Dicamba	GC				Note 3, p. 115.
25. Dichlofenthion	GC				Note 4, p. 30; Note 6, p. S73.
26. Dichloran	GC		509A		Note 3, p. 7.
27. Dicofol	GC			D3086	
28. Dieldrin	GC	608	509A		Note 3, p. 7; Note 4, p. 30.
	GC/MS	625			
29. Dioxathion	GC				Note 4, p. 30; Note 6, p. S73.
30. Disulfoton	GC				Note 3, p. ; Note 6, p. S51.
31. Diuron	TLC				Note 3, p. 104; Note 6, p. S64.
32. Endosulfan I	GC	608	509A	D3086	Note 3, p. 7.
	GC/MS	[5] 625			

TABLE ID—LIST OF APPROVED TEST PROCEDURES FOR PESTICIDES [1]—Continued

Parameter µg/L)	Method	EPA [2,7]	Standard Methods 15th Ed	ASTM	Other
33. Endosulfan II	GC	608	509A	D3086	Note 3, p. 7.
	GC/MS	[5] 625			
34. Endosulfan sulfate	GC	608			
	GC/MS	625			
35. Endrin	GC	608	509A	D3086	Note 3, p. 7; Note 4, p. 30.
	GC/MS	[5] 625			
36. Endrin aldehyde	GC	608			
	GC/MS	625			
37. Ethion	GC				Note 4, p. 30; Note 6, p. S73.
38. Fenuron	TLC				Note 3, p. 104; Note 6, p. S64.
39. Fenuron-TCA	TLC				Note 3, p. 104; Note 6, p. S64.
40. Heptachlor	GC	608	509A	D3086	Note 3, p. 7; Note 4, p. 30.
	GC/MS	625			
41. Heptachlor epoxide	GC	608	509A	D3086	Note 3, p. 7; Note 4, p. 30; Note 6, p. S73.
	GC/MS	625			
42. Isodrin	GC				Note 4, p. 30; Note 6, p. S73.
43. Linuron	TLC				Note 3, p. 104; Note 6, p. S64.
44. Malathion	GC		509A		Note 3, p. 25; Note 4, p. 30; Note 6, p. S51.
45. Methiocarb	TLC				Note 3, p. 94; Note 6, p. S60.
46. Methoxychlor	GC		509A	D3086	Note 3, p. 7; Note 4, p. 30.
47. Mexacarbate	TLC				Note 3, p. 94; Note 6, p. S60.
48. Mirex	GC		509A		Note 3, p. 7.
49. Monuron	TLC				Note 3, p. 104; Note 6, p. S64.
50. Monuron-TCA	TLC				Note 3, p. 104; Note 6, p. S64.
51. Neburon	TLC				Note 3, p. 104; Note 6, p. S64.
52. Parathion methyl	GC		509A		Note 3, p. 25; Note 4, p. 30.
53. Parathion ethyl	GC		509A		Note 3, p. 25.
54. PCNB	GC		509A		Note 3, p. 7.
55. Perthane	GC			D3086	
56. Prometon	GC				Note 3, p. 83; Note 6, p. S68.
57. Prometryn	GC				Note 3, p. 83; Note 6, p. S68.
58. Propazine	GC				Note 3, p. 83; Note 6, p. S68.
59. Propham	TLC				Note 3, p. 104; Note 6, p. S64.
60. Propoxur	TLC				Note 3, p. 94; Note 6, p. S60.
61. Secbumeton	TLC				Note 3, p. 83; Note 6, p. S68.
62. Siduron	TLC				Note 3, p. 104; Note 6, p. S64.
63. Simazine	GC				Note 3, p. 83; Note 6, p. S68.
64. Strobane	GC		509A		Note 3, p. 7.
65. Swep	TLC				Note 3, p. 104; Note 6, p. S64.
66. 2,4,5-T	GC		509B		Note 3, p. 115; Note 4, p. 35.
67. 2,4,5-TP (Silvex)	GC		509B		Note 3, p. 115.
68. Terbuthylazine	GC				Note 3, p. 83; Note 6, p. S68.
69. Toxaphene	GC	608	509A	D3086	Note 3, p. 7; Note 4, p. 30.
	GC/MS	625			
70. Trifluralin	GC		509A		Note 3, p. 7

Table ID Notes

[1] Pesticides are listed in this table by common name for the convenience of the reader. Additional pesticides may be found under Table IC, where entries are listed by chemical name.

[2] The full text of methods 608 and 625 are given at Appendix A, "Test Procedures for Analysis of Organic Pollutants," of this Part 136. The standardized test procedure to be used to determine the method detection limit (MDL) for these test procedures is given at Appendix B, "Definition and Procedure for the Determination of the Method Detection Limit", of this Part 136.

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[4] "Methods for Analysis of Organic Substances in Water," U.S. Geological Survey, Techniques of Water-Resources Investigations, Book 5, Chapter A3 (1972).

[5] The method may be extended to include α-BHC, δ-BHC, endosulfan I, endosulfan II, and endrin. However, when they are known to exist, Method 608 is the preferred method.

[6] "Selected Analytical Methods Approved and Cited by the United States Environmental Protection Agency," Supplement to the Fifteenth Edition of *Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater* (1981).

[7] Each analyst must make an initial, one-time, demonstration of their ability to generate acceptable precision and accuracy with Methods 608 and 625 (See Appendix A of this Part 136) in accordance with procedures given in section 8.2 of each of these methods. Additionally, each laboratory, on an on-going basis, must spike and analyze 10% of all samples analyzed with Method 608 or 5% of all samples analyzed with Method 625 to monitor and evaluate laboratory data quality in accordance with Sections 8.3 and 8.4 of these methods. When the recovery of any parameter falls outside the warning limits, the analytical results for that parameter in the unspiked sample are suspect and cannot be reported to demonstrate regulatory compliance.

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TABLE IE—LIST OF APPROVED RADIOLOGICAL TEST PROCEDURES

Parameter and units	Methods	EPA [1]	Reference (method No. or page)		
			Standard methods 16th ed.	ASTM	USGS [2]
1. Alpha-Total, pCi per liter	Proportional or scintillation counter.	900.0	703	D1943-81	pp. 75 and 78.[3]
2. Alpha-Counting error, pCi per liter.	Proportional or scintillation counter.	Appendix B	703	D1943-81	p. 79.
3. Beta-Total, pCi per liter	Proportional counter	900.0	703	D1890-81	pp. 75 and 78.[3]
4. Beta-Counting error, pCi	Proportional counter	Appendix B	703	D1890-81	p. 79.
5. (a) Radium-Total, pCi per liter.	Proportional counter	903.0	705	D2460-70	
(b) ^{226}Ra, pCi per liter	Scintillation counter	903.1	706	D3454-79	p. 81.

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TECHNICAL APPENDIX E

GLOSSARY

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Aliquot: A discrete sample used for analysis.

Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD): The quantity of oxygen consumed during the biochemical oxidation of matter over a specified period of time, usually 5 days (BOD_5).

Chain-of-Custody: Procedures used to minimize the possibility of tampering with samples.

Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD): Measurement of all the oxidizable matter found in a runoff sample, a portion of which could deplete dissolved oxygen in receiving waters.

Composite Sample: Used to determine "average" loadings or concentrations of pollutants, such samples are collected at regular time intervals, and pooled into one large sample, can be developed on time or flow rate.

Confined Space: Enclosed space that an employee can bodily enter and perform assigned work, that has limited means of exit and entry, that is not designed for continuous employee occupancy, and has one of the following characteristics:

- Contains or has a known potential to contain a hazardous atmosphere
- Contains a material with the potential for engulfment of an entrant
- Has an internal configuration such that an entrant could be trapped or asphyxiated by inwardly converging walls or a floor that slopes downward and tapers to a smaller cross section
- Contains any other recognized serious safety or health hazard.

Conveyance: A channel or passage which conducts or carries water including any pipe, ditch, channel, tunnel, conduit, well, or container.

Detention Ponds: A surface water impoundment constructed to hold and manage storm water runoff.

Discharge: Any addition of any pollutant to waters of the U.S. from any conveyance.

Effluent: Any discharge flowing from a conveyance.

Flumes: A specially shaped open channel flow section providing a change in the channel area and/ or slope which results in an increased velocity and change in the level of the liquid flowing through the flume. A flume normally consists of three sections: (1) a converging section; (2) a throat section; and (3) a diverging section. The flow rate through the flume is a function of the liquid level at some point in the flume.

Flow-Weighted Composite Sample: Means a composite sample consisting of a mixture of aliquots collected at a constant time interval, where the volume of each aliquot is proportional to the flow rate of the discharge.

Flow-Proportional Composite Sample: Combines discrete aliquots of a sample collected over time, based on the flow of the wastestream being sampled. There are two methods used to collect this type of sample. One collects a constant sample volume at time intervals which vary based on stream flow. The other collects aliquots at varying volumes based on stream flow, at constant time intervals.

First Flush: Individual sample taken during the first 30 minutes of a storm event. The pollutants in this sample can often be used as a screen for non-storm water discharges since such pollutants are flushed out of the system during the initial portion of the discharge.

Grab Sample: A discrete sample which is taken from a wastestream on a one-time basis with no regard to flow or time; instantaneous sample that is analyzed separately.

Head of Liquid: Depth of flow.

Illicit Discharge: Any discharge to a municipal separate storm sewer that is not composed entirely of storm water except discharges pursuant to an NPDES permit and discharges from fire fighting activities.

Materials Management Practices: Practices used to limit the contact between significant materials and precipitation. These may include structural or nonstructural controls such as dikes, berms, sedimentation ponds, vegetation strips, spill response plans, etc.

Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems: A conveyance or system of conveyances including roads with drainage systems, storm drains, gutters, ditches under the jurisdiction of a city, town, borough, county, parish, or other public body.

Outfall: Point source where an effluent is discharged into receiving waters.

Point Source: Any discernible, confined, and discrete conveyance from which pollutants are or may be discharged. This term does not include return flows from irrigated agriculture or agricultural storm water runoff (see 40 CFR 122.3).

Reverse Meniscus: The curved upper surface of a liquid in a container.

Runoff Coefficient: Means the fraction of total rainfall that will appear at the conveyance as runoff.

Significant Materials: Include, but are not limited to, raw materials, fuels, solvents, detergents, metallic products, CERCLA hazardous substances, fertilizers, pesticides, and wastes such as ashes, slag, and sludge that have potential for release with storm water discharges [see 40 CFR 122.26(b)(12)].

Storm Water: Storm water runoff, snow melt runoff, and surface runoff, and drainage.

Storm Water Discharge Associated with Industrial Activity: Discharge from any conveyance which is used for collecting and conveying storm water which is directly related to manufacturing processing or raw materials storage areas at an industrial plant [see 40 CFR 122.26(b)(14)].

Time Composite Sample: Prepared by collecting fixed volume aliquots at specified time intervals and combining into a single sample for analysis.

Turbidity: Describes the capability of light to pass through water.

Weir: A device used to gauge the flow rate of liquid through a channel; is essentially a dam built across an open channel over which the liquid flows, usually through some type of notch.

TECHNICAL APPENDIX F

ACRONYMS

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BOD_5	Biochemical Oxygen Demand (5-day)
CERCLA	Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act
cfm	cubic feet per minute
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
cfs	cubic feet per second
COD	Chemical Oxygen Demand
COV	Coefficient of Variation
CPR	Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation
CWA	Clean Water Act
DOT	Department of Transportation
ECD	Electron Capture Detector
EMC	Event Mean Concentration
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
ESE	Environmental Science & Engineering, Inc.
FWPCA	Federal Water Pollution Control Act
FID	Flame Ionization Detector
FR	Federal Register
GC/MS	Gas Chromatography/Mass Spectometry
gpm	gallons per minute
H	Head
HCl	Hydrochloric Acid
HNO_3	Nitric Acid
HPLC	High Pressure Liquid Chromatography
H_2SO_4	Sulfuric Acid
IATA	International Air Transport Association
LC_{50}	Lethal Concentration
NaOH	Sodium Hydroxide
$Na_2S_2O_3$	Sodium Thiosulfate
NCDC	National Climate Data Center
NIOSH	National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health
NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Agency
NOI	Notice of Intent
NPDES	National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System
NWS	National Weather Service
O&G	Oil and Grease
OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
PCB	Polychlorinated Biphenyl
PE	Professional Engineer
ppb	parts per billion
Q	Flow Rate
RCRA	Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
SARA	Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act
SIC	Standard Industrial Classification
s.u.	standard units
TKN	Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen
TSS	Total Suspended Solids
VOC	Volatile Organic Compound