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HONORABLE SCOTT BOMAN
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CITY OF SULLIGENT
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Re: DRAFT LOCAL LIMITS
CITY OF SULLIGENT
SULLIGENT WWTP
NPDES PERMIT NO. AL0020826

Dear Mayor Boman:

The Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM) transmitted a copy of proposed local limits for the Sulligent WWTP for your review on March 29, 2019. Recently, minor modifications were made to the spreadsheet that calculates the headworks loading allocations. Although the updated version of this document does not alter the previously proposed local limits, the comment period is being extended to allow additional time for your review. ADEM is requesting that you review the attached documents and provide any comments no later than 14 days from the date of this letter.

If your facility has no comments, ADEM will proceed with the development of final local limits based on the attached draft. After consideration of any comments received during the public notice period, a final determination on the local limits will be made. All permits issued to industrial users must comply with adopted local limits.

Should you have any questions about this process, please contact Theo Pinson by email at tpinson@adem.alabama.gov or by phone at (334) 274-4202.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott Ramsey", is written over a circular stamp.

Scott Ramsey, Chief
Industrial Section
Industrial/Municipal Branch
Water Division

Attachments: Draft Local Limits
Rationale for Local Limits
Local Limits/Pass Through Calculations
List of Significant Industrial Users

CC: Hyster-Yale Group Inc
Draper Rushing
Theo Pinson



LOCAL LIMITS

PUBLICLY OWNED TREATMENT WORKS: SULLIGENT WWTP
LOCATION: SULLIGENT, ALABAMA
LAMAR COUNTY
PERMIT NUMBER: AL0020826

GENERAL PRETREATMENT PROHIBITIONS

No discharge to the Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTW) shall exceed or otherwise violate the General Pretreatment Standards described in ADEM Administrative Code 335-6-5. Specifically the POTW shall ensure that discharges to their system comply with the following prohibitions to ensure protection of the treatment and collections systems and to ensure worker safety:

Pollutants which create a fire or explosion hazard including but not limited to waste streams with a closed cup flashpoint of less than 140 degrees Fahrenheit;

Pollutants which will cause corrosive structural damage to the treatment works but in no case discharges with a pH lower than 5.0 S.U. unless the treatment works are specifically designed to accommodate such discharges;

Solid or viscous pollutants in amounts which will cause obstruction to the flow in sewers or other interference with the operation of the treatment works;

Any pollutant, including oxygen demanding pollutants released in a discharge of such volume or strength as to cause interference in the treatment works;

Heat in amounts which will inhibit biological activity in the treatment plant resulting in interference, but in no case in such quantities that the temperature of the effluent at the treatment plant exceeds 104 degrees Fahrenheit unless the treatment plant is designed to accommodate such heat;

Pollutants which will result in the presence of toxic gases, vapors or fumes within the treatment works in a quantity that may cause acute worker health and safety problems;

Any trucked or hauled pollutants except at discharge points designated by the treatment works; and

Petroleum oil, nonbiodegradable cutting oil, or products of mineral origin in such amounts that will cause interference or pass through.

GENERAL PRETREATMENT STANDARDS AND LOCAL LIMITS

POLLUTANTS:

The total average daily loading of the substances from all sources shall not exceed the indicated mass listed below.

<u>Parameter</u>	<u>Allowable Average Daily Pollutant Load at Headworks of POTW</u> (lbs/day)
Arsenic, Total Recoverable	0.0685
Cadmium, Total Recoverable	0.1082
Chromium, Total Recoverable	20.43
Copper, Total Recoverable	4.087
Cyanide, Free	0.4087
Lead, Total Recoverable	1.073
Mercury, Total Recoverable	0.0034
Nickel, Total Recoverable	4.0866
Silver, Total Recoverable	0.3437
Zinc, Total Recoverable	4.0866

HYDRAULIC LOADING:

The hydraulic loading limit on an average basis is the design capacity of the treatment plant which is 0.49 million gallons per day.

ORGANIC LOADING:

The organic loading limit (CBOD₅) is the design capacity of the treatment plant which is 682 pounds per day.

SOLIDS LOADING

The Total Suspended Solids loading limit (TSS) is the design capacity of the treatment plant which is 817 pounds per day.

EFFECTIVE DATE:

ISSUANCE DATE:

DRAFT

Alabama Department of Environmental Management

Rationale for Local Limits

Sulligent WWTP (AL0020826)
0.49 MGD Extended Aeration facility
Sulligent/ Lamar County

Reissuance
Prepared Date: 10/30/2018
Prepared By: Ed Hughes
Revised Date: 1/10/2019, 2/18/2020

Nonconventional Pollutants:

Pass Through:

Allowable pollutant loadings were based on state water quality standards applicable to streams with a use designated of Fish & Wildlife. Local limits calculations were performed using a receiving stream 7Q10 of 5.6 cfs, 1Q10 of 4.2 cfs, an annual average flow of 22.32 cfs and a stream hardness of 100 mg/l as CaCO₃. The treatment plant removal rates and untreated domestic sewage pollutant concentrations were based on Best Professional Judgment using literature values and EPA recommended levels as the basis unless site specific data was available. Calculations estimate the allowable quantity of heavy metals (measured as Total Recoverable) and Free Cyanide that can be discharged into the POTW to ensure that state water quality standards for aquatic toxicity and human health criteria are met in the receiving stream during critical flow conditions. Because only the portion of heavy metals present in dissolved form is "bioavailable" to aquatic life, the calculations which evaluate aquatic toxicity take into account the relationship between "dissolved" metals and metals measured using the Total Recoverable test procedure. The allowable pollutant loadings based on pass through concerns are located in column 11 of the Local Limits-Pass Through (LL-PT) spreadsheet.

Interference:

The Department evaluated the potential for processes at the POTW to be inhibited as result of the pollutant loading entering the treatment works. Inhibition values were based on Best Professional Judgment using literature values and EPA recommended levels as the basis unless site specific information was provided by the POTW. The allowable pollutant loadings based on inhibition concerns are located in column 13 of the LL-PT spreadsheet.

Sludge Disposal:

The POTW disposes of sludge by landfilling. For POTWs that use land application as a means of disposal the LL-PT spreadsheet calculates the allowable pollutant loading to ensure that metal concentrations in the sludge comply with EPA 503 regulations for land application of biosolids. The results of these calculations are located in column 14 of the spreadsheet.

Column 15 of the LL-PT spreadsheet indicates the most stringent of the above three criteria. These loadings are considered the POTW's total headworks capacity for the pollutants of concern.

The LL-PT spreadsheet also lists the current loading of the pollutants of concern from domestic/commercial and industrial sources and determines the remaining capacity currently available. Domestic/commercial loadings are indicated in Columns 16 and current industrial loadings are shown in column 17 (a listing of each significant industrial user and their permit limits and average reported discharge level for pollutants

without permit limits is shown on the attached Significant Industrial Users sheet). Column 18 of that spreadsheet shows the remaining capacity after subtracting the current loadings.

It should be noted that the available pollutant loadings shown in column 18 have been reduced by 10%, which is the percent of total capacity reserved for future growth.

Conventional Pollutants

Temperature:

The Department is not aware of any specific circumstances related to this POTW which require a temperature limitation more stringent than general standards and prohibitions contained in ADEM Administrative code 335-6-5-.03(2)(e).

pH:

The Department is not aware of any specific circumstances related to this POTW which require a minimum pH limitation more stringent than general standards and prohibitions contained in ADEM Administrative code 335-6-5-.03(2)(b).

Hydraulic loading:

The hydraulic loading limit is the design capacity of the treatment plant as indicated by the POTW, 0.49 MGD.

Organic loading:

The organic loading limit (CBOD₅) is the design capacity of the treatment plant. This loading was calculated using the design flow of the POTW and an influent CBOD₅ concentration of 167 mg/l.

Total Suspended Solids loading

The Total Suspended Solids (TSS) loading was calculated using the design flow of the POTW and an influent TSS concentration of 200 mg/l.

While ADEM develops local limits and reviews compliance, POTWs are responsible for ensuring proper management of Significant Industrial Users and other sources to meet their NPDES limits and to prevent pass through and interference problems and to ensure compliance with the prohibitions contained in ADEM Administrative Code 335-6-5-.03 for protection of the treatment works, collection system and worker safety. The POTWs' responsibilities include establishing any additional limitations via local ordinances, etc. to protect the POTW and comply with their permit.

Revision (1/10/2019):

Based on information provided by the POTW, sludge is returned to the head of the plant. For this reason, the plant's classification was changed from primary treatment to activated sludge and pollutant removal rates were revised to reflect this type of treatment. The headwork loading for all of the pollutants of concern were re-calculated and as result neither Cyanide nor Lead were determined to be over allocated.

Revision (2/18/2020):

The updated version of the local limits spreadsheet was utilized to re-evaluate the headworks pollutant allocation for this POTW. Based on these results, there are no changes to the pollutant loadings proposed in the January 10, 2019 spreadsheet.

LOCAL LIMIT/ PASS THROUGH CALCULATIONS

POTW NAME: Sulligent WWTP
 NPDES PERMIT NUMBER: AL0020826

DATE PREPARED: 10/29/2018
 PREPARED BY: Ed Hughes
 REVISED DATE: 1/6/2020

STREAM DATA AND POTW FLOW DATA					
RECEIVING STREAM CLASSIFICATION	=	F & W	0	RECEIVING STREAM TIDALLY INFLUENCED =	No
POTW DESIGN FLOW	=		0.49 MGD		
FLOW FROM OTHER CONTRIBUTORS	=		MGD		
DOMESTIC FLOW	=		0.46 MGD		
7Q10	=		5.6 CFS	OR	3.62 MGD
1Q10	=		4.20 CFS	OR	2.71 MGD
7Q2	=		CFS	OR	0.00 MGD
ANNUAL AVG FLOW	=		22.32 CFS	OR	14.42 MGD
STREAM HARDNESS (DEFAULT VALUE 100)	=		100 MGL AS CaCO3		

ALLOWABLE LOADING TO STREAM BASED ON WATER QUALITY AND HH STANDARDS										
PARAMETER	1) CHRONIC	SW CHRONIC	2) MAX W Q	3) ACUTE	SW ACUTE	4) MAX W Q	5) HUMAN	6) MAX W Q	7) WQ / HH	PARAMETER
	TOXICITY (MG/L)	TOXICITY (MG/L)	INSTREAM (LBS/D)	TOXICITY (MG/L)	TOXICITY (MG/L)	INSTREAM (LBS/D)	HEALTH (MG/L)	INSTREAM (LBS/D)	BASED DISC LEVEL (LBS/D)	
ANTIMONY, TOTAL RECOVERABLE	----	----	----	----	----	----	0.3733333	46.420	46.420	ANTIMONY, TR
ARSENIC, TRIVALENT	0.1500	----	8.952	0.3400	----	15.824	0.00030	0.038	0.038	ARSENIC, TRI
CADMIUM, TOT RECOVERABLE	0.0002	----	0.036	0.0020	----	0.228	----	----	0.036	CADMIUM, TR
CHROMIUM, TOT RECOVERABLE	0.0741	----	12.090	0.5698	----	72.481	----	----	12.090	CHROMIUM, TR
CHROMIUM, HEXVALENT	0.0110	----	0.377	0.0160	----	0.427	----	----	0.377	CHROMIUM, HEX
COPPER, TOTAL RECOVERABLE	0.0090	----	0.791	0.0134	----	0.923	----	----	0.791	COPPER, TR
CYANIDE, FREE	0.0052	----	0.178	0.0220	----	0.588	9.3333	319.74	0.178	CYANIDE, FREE
LEAD, TOT RECOVERABLE	0.0025	----	0.419	0.0546	----	8.375	----	----	0.419	LEAD, TR
MERCURY, TOT RECOVERABLE	0.000012	----	0.001	0.0024	----	0.212	0.0000424	0.001	0.00136	MERCURY, TR
MOLYBDENUM	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	MOLYBDENUM
NICKEL, TOT RECOVERABLE	0.0520	----	3.528	0.4682	----	24.770	0.9929078	34.014	3.528	NICKEL, TR
SELENIUM, TOTAL RECOVERABLE	0.0005	----	0.017	0.0020	----	0.053	2.4305556	83.284	0.017	SELENIUM, TR
SILVER, TOT RECOVERABLE	----	----	----	0.0032	----	0.086	----	----	0.086	SILVER, TR
ZINC, TOT RECOVERABLE	0.1181	----	12.264	0.1172	----	9.486	14.8938170	510.22	9.486	ZINC, TR

DOMESTIC	DATA VALUE	Antimony	Arsenic	Cadmium	Chromium, Trivalent	Chromium, Hexavalent	Copper	Cyanide	Lead	Mercury	Molybdenum	Nickel	
	LIT VALUE	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	
		0.0010	0.0010	0.0030	0.0500	0.0000	0.0600	0.0400	0.0500	0.0000	0.0000	0.0200	
	DATA VALUE	Selenium	Silver	Zinc									
LIT VALUE	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000										
		0.0000	0.0100	0.1800									

TYPE OF TREATMENT =	2	Act Sludge	SLUDGE DISPOSAL	
TREATMENT INCLUDE NITIFICATION?	No		DOES THE POTW HAVE SECONDARY CLARIFICATION?	Yes
			AVERAGE TONS OF SLUDGE PER DAY (DRY WEIGHT)	N/A
			IS SLUDGE LAND APPLIED?	No
GROWTH ALLOCATION				
			% ALLOCATION RESERVED FOR FUTURE GROWTH =	10

PARAMETER	7) MAX WQ INSTREAM (LBS/D)	8) ALLOCATION FROM BACKGROUND (LBS/D)	9) ALLOWABLE DISC FROM POTW (LBS/D)	10) REMOVAL RATE (%)	11) ALLOWABLE DISCHARGE (WQ/HH) (LBS/D)	12) INHIBITION TRESHOLD CONC (MG/L)	13) ALLOWABLE DISCHARGE (INHIBITION) (LBS/D)	14) ALLOWABLE DISCHARGE (SLUDGE) (LBS/D)	15) ALLOWABLE DISCHARGE LOCAL LIMIT (LBS/D)	16) DOMESTIC INFLUENT LOADING (LBS/D)	17) INDUSTRIAL INFLUENT LOADING (LBS/D)	18) AVAILABLE CAPACITY FOR GROWTH (LBS/D)	LIMITING FACTOR
ANTIMONY, TOT RECOVERABLE	46.4198	0	46.4198	0	46.4198				46.4198	0.0038	0.0000	41.7744	WATER QUALITY
ARSENIC, TRIVALENT	0.0377	0	0.0377	45	0.0685	0.100	0.4087	-----	0.0685	0.0038	0.0000	0.0582	WATER QUALITY
CADMIUM, TOT RECOVERABLE	0.0357	0	0.0357	67	0.1082	1.000	4.0866	-----	0.1082	0.0115	0.0334	0.0570	WATER QUALITY
CHROMIUM, TOT RECOVERABLE	12.0903	0	12.0903	82	67.1685	5.000	20.4330	-----	20.4330	0.1918	0.4278	17.8320	INHIBITION
CHROMIUM, HEXAVALENT	0.3768	0	0.3768	83	2.2167	1.000	4.0866	-----	2.2167	0.0000	0.0000	1.9950	WATER QUALITY
COPPER, TOTAL RECOVERABLE	0.7907	0	0.7907	86	5.6480	1.000	4.0866	-----	4.0866	0.2302	0.5179	3.0047	INHIBITION
CYANIDE, FREE	0.1781	0	0.1781	69	0.5746	0.100	0.4087	-----	0.4087	0.1535	0.1826	0.0833	INHIBITION
LEAD, TOT RECOVERABLE	0.4185	0	0.4185	61	1.0731	1.000	4.0866	-----	1.0731	0.1918	0.1076	0.6963	WATER QUALITY
MERCURY, TOT RECOVERABLE	0.0014	0	0.0014	60	0.0034	0.100	0.4087	-----	0.0034	0.0000	0.0000	0.0031	WATER QUALITY
MOLYBDENUM		0						-----	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	-----	-----
NICKEL, TOT RECOVERABLE	3.5279	0	3.5279	42	6.0826	1.000	4.0866	-----	4.0866	0.0767	0.5955	3.0730	INHIBITION
SELENIUM	0.0171	0	0.0171	50	0.0343			-----	0.0343	0.0000	0.0000	0.0308	WATER QUALITY
SILVER, TOT RECOVERABLE	0.0859	0	0.0859	75	0.3437	0.250	1.0217	-----	0.3437	0.0384	0.0600	0.2208	WATER QUALITY
ZINC, TOT RECOVERABLE	9.4862	0	9.4862	79	45.1723	1.000	4.0866	-----	4.0866	0.6906	0.3703	2.7232	INHIBITION

Comments

Item 1: Allowable concentration instream based on above noted stream conditions and state standard to protect aquatic life from chronic toxicity.

Item 2: Mass of pollutant allowed instream based on above noted stream conditions and chronic criteria calculated as shown below:

Item 2 = stream 7Q10 x 8.34 x Item 1. If stream segment is tidally influenced, the more stringent of freshwater and saltwater criteria is used.

Item 3: Allowable concentration instream based above noted stream conditions and state standard to protect aquatic life from acute toxicity.

Item 4: Mass of pollutant allowed instream based on above noted stream conditions and acute criteria and calculated as shown below:

Item 4 = stream 1Q10 x 8.34 x Item 3. For LWF streams, Item 4 = stream 7Q2 x 8.34 x Item 3.

If stream segment is tidally influenced, the more stringent of freshwater and saltwater criteria is used.

Item 5: Allowable concentration instream based on above noted stream conditions and state human health standard for a stream with this use classification.

Item 6: Mass of pollutant allowed instream based on above noted stream condition, the human health standard and calculated as shown below:

Item 6 = Annual average stream flow x 8.34 x Item 5 (for carcinogens) and 7Q10 x 8.34 x Item 5 (for non-carcinogens).

Item 7: The most stringent of the requirements calculated in Items 2,4 and 6.

Item 8: Amount allocated to other facilities discharging to this stream segment.

Item 9: Remaining allocation available.

Item 10: Pollutant removal rates based on the treatment process.

Item 11: The calculated allowable discharge into the POTW based on water quality and human health concerns.

Item 12: Concentration of pollutant that could cause inhibition of biological processes utilized at the treatment plant.

Item 13: Allowable discharge into the POTW based on levels to prevent inhibition of biological treatment processes.

Item 14: Allowable discharge into the POTW based on levels to meet EPA 503 standards for land application of sludge, if sludge is land applied.

Item 15: Allowable discharge into the POTW based on the more stringent of Items 11, Item 13 and item 14 requirements. This column contains the Local Limits for this POTW.

Item 16: Domestic influent (lbs/d) based on domestic flow and sampled domestic influent data if available or literature values if not.

Item 17: Industrial influent (lbs/d) based on monthly average permit limits and actual average values for the past 2 to 5 years (depending on availability) for "monitor only" pollutants as shown on SIUs sheet. Values reported as less than detect are not included in average calculation.

Item 18: Available capacity remaining for new sources after subtracting capacity being utilized by industrial sources, domestic sources (including commercial sources and septage disposal) and capacity reserved for future growth.

SIGNIFICANT INDUSTRIAL USERS

PERMITTEE	AVG FLOW (MGD)	DAILY AVG ANTIMONY (MG/L)	DAILY AVG ARSENIC (MG/L)	DAILY AVG CADMIUM (MG/L)	DAILY AVG CHROMIUM (MG/L)	DAILY AVG HEX CHROM (MG/L)	DAILY AVG COPPER (MG/L)	DAILY AVG CYANIDE (MG/L)	DAILY AVG LEAD (MG/L)	DAILY AVG MERCURY (MG/L)	DAILY AVG Molybdenum (mg/l)	DAILY AVG NICKEL (MG/L)	DAILY AVG SELENIUM (MG/L)	DAILY AVG SILVER (MG/L)	DAILY AVG ZINC (MG/L)
Hyster-Yale Group (IU383800010) DSN06	0.0100	0.0000	0.0000	0.2600	1.7100	0.0000	2.0700	0.6500	0.4300	0.0000	0.0000	2.3800	0.0000	0.2400	1.4800
Hyster-Yale Group (IU383800010) DSN07	0.0200	0.0000	0.0000	0.0700	1.7100	0.0000	2.0700	0.6500	0.4300	0.0000	0.0000	2.3800	0.0000	0.2400	1.4800
Total Industrial flow	0.0300														

Monthly average permit limits are listed in bold print.

Other values are based on a minimum of 24 months of data if available as reported on DMRs (for parameters with testing requirements in permits).

PERMITTEE	AVG FLOW (MGD)	DAILY AVG ANTIMONY (LBS/D)	DAILY AVG ARSENIC (LBS/D)	DAILY AVG CADMIUM (LBS/D)	DAILY AVG CHROMIUM (LBS/D)	DAILY AVG HEX CHROM (LBS/D)	DAILY AVG COPPER (LBS/D)	DAILY AVG CYANIDE (LBS/D)	DAILY AVG LEAD (LBS/D)	DAILY AVG MERCURY (LBS/D)	DAILY AVG Molybdenum (LBS/D)	DAILY AVG NICKEL (LBS/D)	DAILY AVG SELENIUM (LBS/D)	DAILY AVG SILVER (LBS/D)	DAILY AVG ZINC (LBS/D)
Hyster-Yale Group (IU383800010) DSN06	0.01	0.0000	0.0000	0.0217	0.1426	0.0000	0.1726	0.0542	0.0359	0.0000	0.0000	0.1985	0.0000	0.0200	0.1234
Hyster-Yale Group (IU383800010) DSN07	0.02	0.0000	0.0000	0.0117	0.2852	0.0000	0.3453	0.1084	0.0717	0.0000	0.0000	0.3970	0.0000	0.0400	0.2469
	0.0300	0.0000	0.0000	0.0334	0.4278	0.0000	0.5179	0.1626	0.1076	0.0000	0.0000	0.5955	0.0000	0.0600	0.3703

CURRENT PERMITTED INDUSTRIAL LOADING TO POTW (LBS/DAY)

PARAMETER	
ANTIMONY	0.0000
ARSENIC	0.0000
CADMIUM	0.0334
CHROMIUM	0.4278
HEX CHROM	0.0000
COPPER	0.5179
CYANIDE	0.1626
LEAD	0.1076
MERCURY	0.0000
Molybdenum	0.0000
NICKEL	0.5955
SELENIUM	0.0000
SILVER	0.0600
ZINC	0.3703