DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING

AMENDMENT TO THE TRI-COUNTY WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT PLAN

Public Notice

Take notice that onMAY 2 3 1997 , pursuant to the provisions of the New Jersey Water Quality Planning Act, N.J.S.A. 58:11A-1 et seq., and the Statewide Water Quality Management Planning rules (N.J.A.C. 7:15-3.4), an amendment to the Tri-County Water Quality Management Plan was adopted by the Department of Environmental Protection (Department). This amendment was submitted on behalf of the National Auto Dealers Exchange (N.A.D.E.) and amends the Mansfield Township Wastewater Management Plan. The amendment allows N.A.D.E. to expand the sewer service area of their existing ground water disposal system to serve an additional 180 acres located across Route 68 from the existing auction facility and southeast to the intersection of White Pine Road in order to expand the auction operations. The additional lands to be served include Block 1, Lots 5.01 and 6 of Mansfield Township, Burlington County. The ground water disposal system presently serving the N.A.D.E. property is located on Block 2, Lot 2.02 and has a New Jersey Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NJPDES) permitted flow limit of 8,142 gallons per day with a design capacity of 13,990 gallons per day. The proposed auto auction operation expansion is not anticipated to generate additional employees or auction customers, therefore, no expansion to the existing ground water disposal system is being proposed as part of this amendment.

This amendment proposal was noticed in the New Jersey Register on February 18, 1997. One comment on this amendment was received during the public comment period and is summarized below with the Department's response.

Comment: The design capacity of this facility is 13,990 gallons per day based on the Treatment Works Approval number 93-8227-4 dated January 10, 1994, not 8,142 gallons per day.

Response: The original notice stated that both the design capacity and NJPDES permitted flow limit were 8,142 gallons per day for this facility. The Department agrees that the design capacity of this wastewater treatment system is 13,990 gallons per day based on Treatment Works Approval 93-8227-4 and has modified the design number accordingly. However, since this notice only identified a maximum daily wastewater flow of 8,142 gallons per day from this site, the flow limit of 8,142 gallons per day shall not be changed by this amendment. Should the wastewater flow ever be proposed to exceed 8,142 gallons per day, an amendment would be required in addition to a modification of the NJPDES permit and Treatment Works Approval.

This amendment represents only one part of the permit process and other issues will be addressed prior to final permit issuance. Additional issues which were not reviewed in

conjunction with this amendment but which may need to be addressed may include, but are not limited to, the following: antidegradation; effluent limitations; water quality analysis; exact locations and designs of future treatment works (pump stations, interceptors, sewers, outfalls, wastewater treatment plants); and development in wetlands, flood prone areas, designated Wild and Scenic River areas, or other environmentally sensitive areas which are subject to regulation under Federal or State statutes or rules.

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