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## GROUND WATER QUALITY BUREAU DISCHARGE PERMIT Issued under 20.6.2 NMAC

Facility Name: Discharge Permit Number: Facility Location: Brackish Water Reverse Osmosis Facility DP-1827 501 Lavelle Road, Alamogordo, NM 88310

County:

Permittee: Mailing Address:

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Permitting Action: Permit Issuance Date: Permit Expiration Date:

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**Discharge Permit Summary** 

Groundwater Discharge Permit Guidance for Synthetically Lined Lagoons – Liner Material and Site Preparation, Revision 0.0, May 2007

New Mexico Environment Department Ground Water Quality Bureau Monitoring Well Construction and Abandonment Guidelines, Revision 1.1, March 2011 (Monitoring Well Guidance)

City of Alamogordo Brackish Water Reverse Osmosis Facility, DP-1827 DRAFT: January 3, 2024

#### I. INTRODUCTION

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) issues this groundwater discharge permit Renewal (Discharge Permit or DP-1827) to the City of Alamogordo (Permittee) pursuant to the New Mexico Water Quality Act (WQA), NMSA 1978 §§74-6-1 through 74-6-17, and the New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission (WQCC) Ground and Surface Water Protection Regulations, 20.6.2 NMAC.

NMED's purpose in issuing this Discharge Permit, and in imposing the requirements and conditions specified herein, is to control the discharge of water contaminants from Brackish Water Treatment Facility (Facility) in order to protect groundwater and those segments of surface water gaining from groundwater inflow for present and potential future use as domestic and agricultural water supply and other uses, and to protect public health. It is NMED's determination in issuing this Discharge Permit that the Permittee has met the requirements of Subsection C of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC. The Permittee is responsible for complying with the terms and conditions of this Discharge Permit pursuant to Section 20.6.2.3104 NMAC; failure to do so may result in enforcement action by NMED (20.6.2.1220 NMAC).

Described below are the activities that produce the discharge, the location of the discharge, and the quantity, quality, and flow characteristics. At the time of the issuing of this permit, the facility has not operated and has not discharged.

The Brackish Water Treatment Facility (BWTF), also known as the Brackish Water Reverse Osmosis Facility, receives up to 1,000,000 gallons per day (gpd) of brackish water from the Snake Tank Well Field 10 miles north of Tularosa, or approximately 20 miles north of Alamogordo. The Facility transports brackish water via pipeline to the BWTF and treats water via reverse osmosis (RO) to remove total dissolved solids (TDS). The RO treatment process produces a high quality, low TDS permeate stream that is introduced into the City of Alamogordo public water system to supplement supply during high usage periods. The Facility is in use seasonally, generally May through September, to meet the City's peak demands.

The Facility discharges industrial wastewater at a maximum volume of up to 300,000 gpd in the form of high TDS RO concentrate (or reject water). The reject water discharges to two locations. The Facility discharges approximately 67% of the reject water to the sanitary sewer that flows to the City's Water Reclamation Facility (public water system). The Facility discharges the remaining 33% of reject water to one synthetically lined evaporation impoundment at the Facility. The Facility may also discharge the entire 300,000 gpd of reject water to the impoundment for disposal by evaporation.

The 5.6-acre impoundment was constructed with a double liner system, and both layers are high density polyethylene. The impoundment configuration consists of both a 60-mil primary and secondary liner separated by a layer of drainage geonet manufactured from HDPE resin. The geonet provides interstitial support between the two liners and provides a means for any leaked

reject water to flow to a centralized leak detection sump. The storage volume of the impoundment is 1.3 million gallons.

The discharge contains 8,000 mg/L TDS and other water contaminates that may be elevated above the standards of 20.6.2.3103 NMAC. The discharge may also contain toxic pollutants as defined in 20.6.2.7 NMAC.

The facility is located on property adjacent to the former City of Alamogordo municipal landfill which operated from the late 1950's until 1988. Groundwater potentially affected by the discharge is at a depth of approximately 73 feet below ground surface and has a TDS concentration of approximately 7,200 mg/L. Groundwater flow direction of the shallowest groundwater below the facility is toward the southwest, based on the most recent regional water level data.

Discharge Permit Location Information:		
501 Lavelle Road, Alamogordo, NM 88310		
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Section 36, T16S, R09E		
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#### Discharge Permit Issuance History:

Original Permit Issuance	May 18, 2015
Permit Modification	September 29, 2016

The application (i.e., discharge plan) associated with this Discharge Permit consists of the materials submitted by John Shomaker and Associates on behalf of the Permittee, dated April 28, 2023, and materials contained in the administrative record prior to issuance of this Discharge Permit.

The Permittee shall manage the discharge in accordance with all conditions and requirements of this Discharge Permit.

NMED reserves the right to require a Discharge Permit modification in the event NMED determines that the Permittee is or may be violating, or is likely to violate in the future, the requirements of 20.6.2 NMAC or the standards of Section 20.6.2.3103 NMAC. NMED reserves this right pursuant to Section 20.6.2.3109 NMAC. An NMED requirement to modify the Discharge Permit may result from a determination by the department that structural controls and/or management practices approved under this Discharge Permit are insufficiently protective of groundwater quality and human health. NMED reserves the right to require the Permittee to implement abatement of water pollution and remediate groundwater quality.

NMED issuance of this Discharge Permit does not relieve the Permittee of the responsibility to comply with the WQA, WQCC Regulations, and any other applicable federal, state and/or local laws and regulations, such as zoning requirements and nuisance ordinances.

Abbreviation	Explanation	Abbreviation	Explanation
BOD <sub>5</sub>	biochemical oxygen demand	NMED	New Mexico Environment
	(5-day)		Department
САР	Corrective Action Plan	NMSA	New Mexico Statutes Annotated
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations	NO <sub>3</sub> -N	nitrate-nitrogen
CFU	colony forming unit	NTU	nephelometric turbidity units
CI	chloride	QA/QC	Quality Assurance/Quality
			Control
EPA	United States Environmental	TDS	total dissolved solids
	Protection Agency		
Gpd	gallons per day	TKN	total Kjeldahl nitrogen
LAA	land application area	total nitrogen	= TKN + NO <sub>3</sub> -N
LADS	Land Application Data Sheet(s)	TRC	total residual chlorine
mg/L	milligrams per liter	TSS	total suspended solids
mL	milliliters	WQA	New Mexico Water Quality
			Act
MPN	most probable number	WQCC	Water Quality Control
			Commission
NMAC	New Mexico Administrative	WWTF	Wastewater Treatment
	Code		Facility

This Discharge Permit may use the following acronyms and abbreviations.

## II. FINDINGS

In issuing this Discharge Permit, NMED finds the following.

- 1. The Permittee is discharging effluent or leachate from the Facility so that such effluent or leachate may move into groundwater of the State of New Mexico that has an existing concentration of 10,000 mg/L or less of TDS, within the meaning of Subsection A of 20.6.2.3101 NMAC, without exceeding standards of 20.6.2.3103 NMAC for any water contaminant.
- 2. The Permittee is discharging effluent or leachate from the Facility directly or indirectly into groundwater pursuant to this Discharge Permit and Sections 20.6.2.3000 through 20.6.2.3114 NMAC.
- 3. The discharge from this Facility has the potential to contain water contaminants or toxic pollutants elevated above the standards of Section 20.6.2.3103 NMAC and is not subject to the exemption at Subsection 20.6.2.3105 NMAC.

### III. AUTHORIZATION TO DISCHARGE

The Permittee is responsible for ensuring that discharges authorized by this Discharge Permit are consistent with the terms and conditions herein pursuant to 20.6.2.3104 NMAC.

This Discharge Permit authorizes the Permittee to discharge industrial wastewater up to 300,000 gpd to a synthetically lined impoundment for disposal by evaporation.

[20.6.2.3104 NMAC, Subsection C of 20.6.2.3106 NMAC, Subsection D of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC]

### IV. CONDITIONS

NMED issues this Discharge Permit for the discharge of water contaminants subject to the following conditions.

#### A. OPERATIONAL PLAN

#	Terms and Conditions
1.	The Permittee shall implement the following operational plan to ensure compliance with Title 20, Chapter 6, Parts 2 and 4 NMAC. [Subsection C of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC]
2.	The Permittee shall operate in a manner that does not violate the standards and requirements of Sections 20.6.2.3101 and 20.6.2.3103 NMAC. [20.6.2.3101 NMAC, 20.6.2.3103 NMAC, Subsection C of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC]

#### **Operational Actions with Implementation Deadlines**

#	Terms and Conditions
3.	Prior to discharging from the Facility, the Permittee shall submit to NMED an up-to-date scaled map of the entire Facility. The Permittee shall develop map(s) using information obtained from a survey of the entire Facility. The Permittee shall draw the map(s) to scale and include the following elements and necessary labels:
	<ul> <li>a graphical scale;</li> <li>a north arrow;</li> <li>the issuance date of the map;</li> <li>all components of the wastewater treatment [and disposal] system;</li> <li>all reuse areas and associated distribution pipelines;</li> </ul>

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	<ul> <li>all groundwater monitoring wells;</li> <li>all backflow prevention methods/devices;</li> <li>all flow measurement devices;</li> <li>all domestic and public water supply wells within 1,000 feet of the discharge site; and</li> <li>all wastewater sampling locations.</li> </ul>	
	The survey shall reference a U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) or another permanent benchmark. Survey data shall include northing, easting and shall be in accordance with the "Minimum Standards for Surveying in New Mexico" (12.8.2 NMAC). The survey shall establish a survey elevation with a permanent on-site marker indicating the elevation point. The completed survey shall bear the seal and signature of a licensed New Mexico professional surveyor (pursuant to New Mexico Engineering and Surveying Practice Act and the rules promulgated under that authority).	
	The Permittee shall ensure that any element not directly shown due to its location inside of existing structures, or because it is buried without surface identification, shall be on the map in a schematic format and identified as such.	
	[Subsection C of 20.6.2.3106 NMAC, Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC, NMSA 1978, §§ 61-23-1 through 61-23-32]	
4.	Five business days prior to discharging from the Facility, the Permittee shall submit written notification to NMED stating the date the discharge is to commence.	
	[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC, Subsection H of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC]	
5.	Prior to discharging from the Facility, the Permittee shall post signs indicating that the wastewater at the Facility is not potable. The Permittee shall post signs at the Facility entrance and other areas where there is potential for public contact with wastewater. Posted signs shall be in English and Spanish and shall be legible during the term of this Discharge Permit.	
	The Permittee shall submit documentation demonstrating sign installation that consists of date stamped photographs to NMED in the next required periodic monitoring report.	
	[Subsections B and C of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC, NMSA 1978, § 74-6-5.D]	
6.	Within 3 years following the commencement of operations, the Permittee shall measure the thickness of the settled solids in the impoundment. The Permittee shall report the results of the solids thickness measurements to NMED in the next required periodic monitoring report.	

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	The Permittee shall measure the thickness of settled solids in accordance with the following procedure. a) The division of the total surface area of the treatment impoundment into nine equal
	sub-areas.
	b) One measurement (to the nearest half foot) using a settled solids measurement device (e.g., core sampler) per sub-area.
	c) Calculation of the average of the nine measurements.
	In the event that the measured settled solids exceed one-third of the maximum liquid depth in the impoundment, the Permittee shall implement the Contingency Plan set forth in this Discharge Permit.
	[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC, Subsection C of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC]

# **Operating Conditions**

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7.	The Permittee shall maintain fences around the Facility to restrict access by the general public and animals. The fences shall consist of a minimum of six-foot chain link or field fencing and locking gates. The Permittee shall maintain the fences to serve the stated purpose throughout the term of this Discharge Permit. [Subsections B and C of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC, NMSA 1978, § 74-6-5.D]
8.	<ul> <li>The Permittee shall maintain the impoundment liner to avoid conditions that could affect the liner or the structural integrity of the impoundment. Characterization of such conditions may include the following: <ul> <li>erosion damage;</li> <li>animal burrows or other damage;</li> <li>the presence of vegetation including aquatic plants, weeds, woody shrubs or trees growing within five feet of the top inside edge of a sub-grade impoundment, within five feet of the toe of the outside berm of an above-grade impoundment, or within the impoundment itself;</li> <li>the presence of large debris or large quantities of debris in the impoundment;</li> <li>evidence of berm subsidence.</li> </ul> </li> <li>The Permittee shall routinely control vegetation growing around the impoundment by mechanical removal that is protective of the impoundment liner.</li> </ul>

The Permittee shall visually inspect the impoundment and surrounding berms on a monthly basis to ensure proper maintenance. In the event that an inspection reveals any evidence of damage that threatens the structural integrity of an impoundment berm or liner, or that may result in an unauthorized discharge, the Permittee shall implement the Contingency Plan set forth in this Discharge Permit.	
The Permittee shall create and maintain a log of all impoundment inspections which describes the date of the inspection, any findings and repairs and the name of the person responsible for the inspection. The Permittee shall make the log available to NMED upon request.	
[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC, Subsection C of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC]	
<ul> <li>The Permittee shall preserve a minimum of two feet of freeboard, i.e., the distance between the highest calculated liquid level in the impoundment and the liquid level which would result in the release of stored liquid from the impoundment.</li> <li>In the event that the Permittee determines that it cannot preserve two feet of freeboard in the impoundment, the Permittee shall implement the Contingency Plan set forth in this Discharge Permit.</li> <li>[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC, Subsection C of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC]</li> </ul>	

## B. MONITORING AND REPORTING

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10.	The Permittee shall conduct the monitoring, reporting, and other requirements listed below in accordance with the monitoring requirements of this Discharge Permit.
	[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC, Subsection C of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC]
11.	METHODOLOGY – Unless otherwise specified by this Discharge Permit, or approved in writing by NMED, the Permittee shall use sampling and analytical techniques that conform with the references listed in Subsection B of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC.
	[Subsection B of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC]

## Due Dates for Monitoring Reports

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12.	Upon commencement of operations:

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	The Permittee shall perform semi-annual monitoring and other Permit required actions during the following periods and shall submit semi-annual reports to NMED by the following due dates:
	• January 1 <sup>st</sup> through June 30 <sup>th</sup> – due by August 1 <sup>st</sup> ; and

• July 1<sup>st</sup> through December 31<sup>st</sup> – due by February 1<sup>st</sup>.

[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC]

## Monitoring Actions with Implementation Deadlines

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13.	<ul> <li>The Permittee shall install the following flow meters prior to discharging from the Facility:</li> <li>a) One totalizing flow meter installed on the discharge line from the RO treatment system to measure the volume of wastewater discharged to the evaporative impoundment.</li> <li>b) One totalizing flow meter installed on the discharge line from the RO treatment system to measure the volume of wastewater discharge line from the solution the system to measure the volume of wastewater discharge line from the solution the system.</li> </ul>
	The Permittee shall submit confirmation of meter installation, type, calibration, and locations within 30 days of completed installations and/or prior to discharging from the Facility. [Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC, Subsection C of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC]

## Groundwater Monitoring Conditions

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14.	<ul> <li>The Permittee shall perform semi-annual groundwater sampling in the following groundwater monitoring wells and analyze the samples for TKN, NO<sub>3</sub>-N, TDS, SO<sub>4</sub> and Cl.</li> <li>a) MW-#1, located hydrologically upgradient of the facility at 32.884916 latitude and - 105.9708611 longitude and approximately 800 feet northeast of the evaporative impoundment.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>b) MW-#2, located hydrologically downgradient of the impoundment located at 32.881777 latitude and -105.9725 longitude and approximately 75 feet south of the evaporative impoundment.</li> <li>c) MW-#3, located hydrologically downgradient and 500 feet west of the impoundment at 32.881388 latitude and -105.974861.</li> </ul>

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	<ul> <li>The Permittee shall perform groundwater sample collection, preservation, transport, and analysis according to the following procedures.</li> <li>a) Measure the depth-to-most-shallow groundwater from the top of the well casing to the nearest one-hundredth of a foot.</li> <li>b) Purge three well volumes of water from the well prior to sample collection.</li> <li>c) Obtain samples from the well for analysis.</li> <li>d) Properly prepare, preserve, and transport samples.</li> <li>e) Analyze samples in accordance with the methods authorized in this Discharge Permit.</li> <li>The Permittee shall submit the depth-to-most-shallow groundwater measurements and the laboratory analytical data results including the laboratory QA/QC summary report and Chain of Custody for each well, and a Facility layout map showing the location and number of each well to NMED in the semi-annual monitoring reports.</li> </ul>
15.	The Permittee shall develop a groundwater elevation contour map, i.e., potentiometric surface map, on a semi-annual basis using the top of casing elevation data from the monitoring well survey and the most recent depth-to-most-shallow groundwater measurements, referenced to mean sea level, obtained during the groundwater sampling required by this Discharge Permit. The groundwater elevation contour map shall depict the groundwater flow direction based on the groundwater elevation contours. The Permittee shall estimate groundwater elevations between monitoring well locations using common interpolation methods. The Permittee shall use a contour interval appropriate to the data but shall not be greater than two feet. Groundwater elevation contour maps shall use arrows to depict the groundwater flow direction based on the orientation of the groundwater elevation contours and shall locate and identify each monitoring well and contaminant source. The Permittee shall submit to NMED a groundwater elevation contour map in the monitoring reports due by February 1 <sup>st</sup> and August 1 <sup>st</sup> of each year.
16.	NMED shall have the option to perform downhole inspections of all groundwater monitoring wells identified in this Discharge Permit. NMED shall establish the inspection date and notify the Permittee. The Permittee shall remove any existing dedicated pumps at least 48 hours prior to NMED inspection to allow adequate settling time of sediment agitated from pump removal.

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	Should the Permittee decide to install a pump in a monitoring well without a dedicated pump, the Permittee shall notify NMED at least 90 days prior to pump installation so that NMED can schedule a downhole well inspection(s) prior to pump placement.
	[Subsections A and D of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC]
Facility Monitoring Conditions	

## Facility Monitoring Conditions

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17.	The Permittee shall measure on a monthly basis the volume of treated industrial wastewater discharged to the evaporative impoundment from the water treatment system. To determine the discharge volume, the Permittee shall obtain readings on a monthly basis from a totalizing flow meter located on the discharge line from the RO treatment system and calculate the monthly and average daily discharge volume. The Permittee shall submit the calendar monthly meter readings, calculated monthly discharge volumes, and average daily discharge volumes to NMED in the semiannual monitoring reports.
	[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC, Subsections C and H of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC]
18.	All flow meters shall be capable of having their accuracy verified under working (i.e., real- time in-the-field) conditions. The Permittee shall develop a field verification method for each flow meter and shall utilize that method to check the accuracy of each respective meter. The Permittee shall perform field calibrations, at a minimum, once within 90 days of the commencement of operations at the facility and thereafter on an annual basis. The Permittee shall also perform field calibrations upon repair or replacement of a flow measurement device.
	The Permittee shall calibrate each flow meter to its manufacturer's recommended specification which shall be no less accurate than plus or minus 10 percent of actual flow, as measured under field conditions. An individual knowledgeable in flow measurement shall perform field calibration and the installation/operation of the device in use. The Permittee shall prepare a flow meter calibration report for each flow measurement device calibration event. The flow meter calibration report shall include the following information. a) The location and meter identification. b) The method of flow meter field calibration employed.

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	<ul> <li>c) The measured accuracy of each flow meter prior to adjustment indicating the positive or negative offset as a percentage of actual flow as determined by an in-field calibration check.</li> <li>d) The measured accuracy of each flow meter following adjustment, if necessary, indicating the positive or negative offset as a percentage of actual flow of the meter.</li> <li>e) Any flow meter repairs made during the previous year or during field calibration.</li> <li>f) The name of the individual performing the calibration and the date of the calibration.</li> <li>The Permittee shall maintain records of flow meter calibrations at a location accessible for review by NMED during Facility inspections.</li> <li>[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC, Subsections C and H of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC]</li> </ul>
19.	The Permittee shall visually inspect flow meters on a monthly basis for evidence of malfunction. The Permittee shall maintain a log of the inspections that includes the date of the inspection, findings and repairs, and the name of the inspector. The Permittee shall make the log available to NMED upon request.
	If a visual inspection indicates a flow meter is not functioning as required by this Discharge Permit, the Permittee shall repair or replace the meter within 30 days of discovery. For <i>repaired</i> meters, the Permittee shall submit a report to NMED with the next monitoring report following the repair that includes a description of the malfunction; a statement verifying the repair; and a flow meter field calibration report completed in accordance with the requirements of this Discharge Permit. For <i>replacement</i> meters, the Permittee shall submit a report to NMED with the next monitoring report following the replacement that includes a design schematic for the device and a flow meter field calibration report completed in accordance with the replacement that includes a design schematic for the device and a flow meter field calibration report completed in accordance with the replacement that includes a design schematic for the device and a flow meter field calibration report completed in accordance with the requirements of this Discharge Permit.
	[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC, Subsection C of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC]
20.	The Permittee shall inspect the leak detection system on a weekly basis for the presence of liquid. The Permittee shall keep a log of the inspection findings and repairs made. The inspection log, including a statement whether or not liquids were observed in the leak detection system shall be submitted to NMED in the semi-annual monitoring reports.
	[20.6.2.3107 NMAC]
21.	The Permittee shall collect a composite wastewater sample on a semi-annual basis (once every six months) from the evaporative impoundment. The composite sample shall consist of a minimum of six equal aliquots collected equidistantly around the entire perimeter of the evaporative impoundment and thoroughly mixed. The Permittee shall analyze the composite sample for:

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	<ul> <li>TKN;</li> <li>NO<sub>3</sub>-N;</li> <li>TDS;</li> <li>SO<sub>4</sub> and</li> </ul>
	• Cl.
	The Permittee shall ensure the sample is properly prepared, preserved, transported, and analyzed in accordance with the methods authorized in this Discharge Permit. The Permittee shall submit the laboratory analytical data results, including the QA/QC summary and Chain of Custody, to NMED in the semi-annual monitoring reports.
	[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC, Subsections C and H of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC]

### C. CONTINGENCY PLAN

## # Terms and Conditions

This condition shall apply until the Permittee completes groundwater monitoring for a minimum of eight (8) consecutive quarterly samples demonstrating groundwater does not exceed the standards of Section 20.6.2.3103 NMAC.

Violation of the groundwater standard beyond 180 days after the confirmation of groundwater contamination may cause NMED to require the Permittee to abate water pollution consistent with the requirements and provisions of Section 20.6.2.4101, Section 20.6.2.4103, Subsections C and E of 20.6.2.4106, Section 20.6.2.4107, Section 20.6.2.4108 and Section 20.6.2.4112 NMAC.

[20.6.2.3103 NMAC, Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC, Subsection E of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC]

<sup>22.</sup> In the event that groundwater monitoring indicates that groundwater exceeds a standard identified in Section 20.6.2.3103 NMAC in a monitoring well with no previous exceedances of the chemical constituent at the date of issuance of this Discharge Permit, the Permittee shall collect a confirmatory sample from the monitoring well within 15 days of receipt of the initial sampling results to confirm the initial sampling results. Within 60 days of confirmation of groundwater contamination, the Permittee shall submit to NMED a Corrective Action Plan (CAP) that proposes, at a minimum, contaminant source control measures and an implementation schedule. The Permittee shall implement the CAP as approved by NMED.

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23.	In the event that information available to NMED indicates that a well is not constructed in a manner consistent with the attached Monitoring Well Guidance, contains insufficient water to effectively monitor groundwater quality, or is otherwise not completed in a manner that is protective of groundwater quality, the Permittee shall install a replacement well(s) within 120 days following notification from NMED.
	The Permittee shall survey the replacement monitoring well(s) within 30 days following well completion.
	The Permittee shall install replacement well(s) at locations approved by NMED prior to installation and shall complete replacement well(s) in accordance with the attached Monitoring Well Guidance. The Permittee shall submit well construction and lithologic logs, survey data and a groundwater elevation contour map to NMED within 60 days following well completion.
	The Permittee shall properly plug and abandon monitoring well(s) requiring replacement upon completion of the replacement monitoring well(s). The Permittee shall complete the well plugging and abandonment, and shall document the abandonment procedures, in accordance with the attached Monitoring Well Guidance and all applicable local, state, and federal regulations. The Permittee shall submit a copy of the well abandonment documentation to NMED within 60 days following the replacement well(s) completion. [Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC]
24.	In the event that groundwater flow information obtained pursuant to this Discharge Permit indicates that a monitoring well is not appropriately located, e.g., hydrologically downgradient of the discharge location it is intended to monitor, the Permittee shall install a replacement well within 120 days following notification from NMED. The Permittee shall survey the replacement monitoring well within 30 days following well completion.
	The Permittee shall install the replacement well at the location approved by NMED prior to installation and shall complete the replacement well in accordance with the attached Monitoring Well Guidance. The Permittee shall submit construction and lithologic logs, survey data and a groundwater elevation contour map within 60 days following well completion.
	The Permittee shall properly plug and abandon a monitoring well requiring replacement upon completion of the replacement monitoring well. The Permittee shall complete the well plugging and abandonment, and shall document the abandonment procedures, in accordance with the attached Monitoring Well Guidance and all applicable local, state,

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	and federal regulations. The Permittee shall submit a copy of the well abandonment documentation to NMED within 60 days following the replacement well completion.
	[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC]
25.	<ul> <li>In the event that the Facility exceeds the authorized discharge volume set in this Discharge Permit, the Permittee shall initiate the following Contingency Plan.</li> <li><u>Contingency Plan</u> <ul> <li>a) Notify NMED within seven days of the discovery of the discharge volume exceedance that the Facility exceeded the authorized discharge volume.</li> <li>b) The Permittee shall conduct a physical inspection of the discharge system, i.e., inflow and infiltration issues, collection system failures, etc., and the [discharge meter(s)/volume measuring device/method] to detect abnormalities and report the findings to NMED within 30 days of the discovery of the discharge volume exceedance. The Permittee shall correct any abnormalities detected with NMED's concurrence.</li> <li>c) If the Permittee does not detect any abnormalities and with NMED's concurrence, the Permittee shall submit a discharge permit modification for the increase in discharge quantity to NMED within 90 days of the discovery of the discharge volume exceedance. The discharge permit modification must include demonstration that the volume increase is sufficient for the design capacity or plans and specifications to upgrade the system to accommodate the discharge volume increase.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC]
26.	In the event that the laboratory analytical data results of the liquid present in the leak detection sump indicates that the chemical content of the liquid is consistent with the contents of the evaporative impoundment, the Permittee shall submit a CAP to NMED which evaluates the primary liner leakage rate and proposes options for stopping or reducing leakage. The Permittee shall submit the CAP to NMED for approval within 60 days of the receipt of the analytical results demonstrating consistency with the liquid in the sump and the evaporative impoundment.
	[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC]
27.	In the event that an inspection reveals significant damage has occurred or is likely to affect the structural integrity of an impoundment or liner or their ability to contain contaminants, the Permittee shall propose the repair or replacement by submitting a CAP to NMED for approval. The Permittee shall submit the CAP to NMED within 30 days after discovery of the damage or following notification from NMED that significant damage is evident. The Permittee shall ensure the CAP includes a schedule for

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	completion of corrective actions. The Permittee shall initiate implementation of the CAP following approval by NMED.
	[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC, Subsection C of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC]
28.	In the event that an impoundment cannot preserve a minimum of two feet of freeboard, the Permittee shall take actions to restore the required freeboard as authorized by this Discharge Permit and all applicable local, state, and federal regulations. In the event that two feet of freeboard cannot be restored within a period of 72 hours following discovery, the Permittee shall propose actions to restore two feet of freeboard by submitting a short-term CAP to NMED for approval. Examples of short-term corrective actions include the pumping and hauling of excess wastewater from the impoundment or reducing the volume of wastewater discharged to the impoundment. The Permittee shall ensure the CAP includes a schedule for completion of corrective actions. The Permittee shall submit the CAP within 15 days following the date the Permittee or the NMED discover the exceedance. The Permittee shall implement the CAP following NMED approval. In the event that the short-term corrective actions fail to restore two feet of freeboard, the Permittee shall submit to NMED a proposal for permanent corrective actions in a long-term CAP. The Permittee shall submit the long-term CAP within 90 days following failure of the short-term CAP. Examples of corrective actions include the installation of an additional storage impoundment or a significant and permanent reduction in the volume of wastewater discharged to the impoundment. The Permittee shall ensure the long-term CAP includes a schedule for completion of corrective actions. The Permittee shall ensure the long-term CAP includes a schedule for completion in the promote the installation of an additional storage impoundment or a significant and permanent reduction in the volume of wastewater discharged to the impoundment. The Permittee shall ensure the long-term CAP includes a schedule for completion of corrective actions. The Permittee shall implement the CAP following NMED approval.
	[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC]
29.	<ul> <li>In the event the average solids accumulation exceeds one-third of the maximum liquid depth in the impoundment, the Permittee shall propose a plan for the removal and disposal of the solids. The Permittee shall submit the solids removal and disposal plan to NMED for approval within 120 days following discovery and include the following information.</li> <li>a) A method for removal of the solids to a depth of less than six inches throughout the treatment impoundment in a manner that is protective of the impoundment liner.</li> <li>b) A description of how the Permittee will contain, transport, and dispose of the solids</li> </ul>
	<ul><li>in accordance with all local, state, and federal regulations, including 40 CFR Part 503.</li><li>c) A schedule for completion of the solids removal and disposal project.</li></ul>
	The Permittee shall initiate implementation of the plan following approval by NMED.

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	[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC, Subsection C of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC]
30.	<ul> <li>In the event that a release occurs that is not authorized under this Discharge Permit (commonly known as a "spill"), the Permittee shall take measures to mitigate damage from the unauthorized discharge and initiate the notifications and corrective actions required in Section 20.6.2.1203 NMAC and summarized below. A release is defined as such quantity as may with reasonable probability injure or be detrimental to human health, animal or plant life, or property, or unreasonably interfere with the public welfare or the use of property.</li> <li>Within 24 hours following discovery of the unauthorized discharge, the Permittee shall verbally notify NMED and provide the following information.</li> <li>a) The name, address, and telephone number of the person or persons in charge of the Facility, as well as of the owner and/or operator of the Facility.</li> <li>b) The name and address of the Facility.</li> <li>c) The date, time, location, and duration of the unauthorized discharge.</li> <li>e) A description of the unauthorized discharge, including its estimated chemical composition.</li> <li>f) The estimated volume of the unauthorized discharge.</li> <li>g) Any actions taken to mitigate immediate damage from the unauthorized discharge.</li> <li>Within <u>one week</u> following discovery of the unauthorized discharge, the Permittee shall submit written notification to NMED providing the information listed above and any pertinent updates.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Within <u>15 days</u> following discovery of the unauthorized discharge, the Permittee shall submit a CAP to NMED describing any corrective actions previously taken and corrective actions to be taken relative to the unauthorized discharge. The CAP shall include the following information.</li> <li>a) A description of proposed actions to mitigate damage from the unauthorized discharge.</li> <li>b) A description of proposed actions to prevent future unauthorized discharges of this nature.</li> <li>c) A schedule for completion of proposed actions.</li> </ul>
	In the event that the unauthorized discharge causes or may with reasonable probability cause water pollution in excess of the standards and requirements of Section 20.6.2.4103 NMAC, and the water pollution will not be abated within 180 days after notice is required to be given pursuant to Paragraph (1) of Subsection A of 20.6.2.1203 NMAC, NMED may require the Permittee to abate water pollution pursuant to Sections 20.6.2.4000 through 20.6.2.4115 NMAC.

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The Permittee shall not construe anything in this condition as relieving them of the obligation to comply with all requirements of Section 20.6.2.1203 NMAC.

## [20.6.2.1203 NMAC]

31.	In the event that NMED or the Permittee identifies any failures of the discharge plan, i.e.,			
	the application, or this Discharge Permit not specifically noted herein, NMED may requi			
	the Permittee to submit a CAP and a schedule for completion of corrective actions			
	address the failure(s). Additionally, NMED may require a discharge permit modification			
	to achieve compliance with 20.6.2 NMAC.			

[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC, Subsection E of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC]

D. CLOSURE PLAN

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## Permanent Facility Closure Conditions

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32.	The Permittee shall perform the following closure measures in the event the Facility, or a component thereof, is proposed to be permanently closed.		
	Within <u>60 days</u> of ceasing to discharge to the impoundment(s), the Permittee shall plug the impoundment influent lines so that a discharge can no longer occur.		
	Within <u>60 days</u> of ceasing to discharge to the impoundment, the Permittee shall evaporate or drain all wastewater from the impoundment and any other wastewater system component and dispose of it in accordance with all local, state, and federal regulations.		
	Within <u>90 days</u> of ceasing to discharge to the impoundment(s), the Permittee shall submit a sludge removal and disposal plan to NMED for approval. The Permittee shall implement the plan within 30 days following approval by NMED. The sludge removal and disposal plan shall include the following information.		
	a) The estimated volume and dry weight of sludge planned for removal and disposition including measurements and calculations.		
	<ul> <li>b) Analytical results for samples of the sludge taken from the impoundment for TKN, NO<sub>3</sub>-N, percent total solids, and any other parameters tested (reported in mg/kg, dry weight basis).</li> </ul>		
	c) The method of sludge <i>removal</i> from the impoundment(s).		

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	d) The method of <i>disposal</i> for all the sludge (and its contents) removed from the impoundment(s). The method shall comply with all local, state and federal regulations, including 40 CFR Part 503. <i>Note: A proposal that includes the surface disposal of sludge may be subject to Groundwater Discharge Permitting requirements pursuant to 20.6.2.3104 NMAC that are separate from the requirements of this Discharge Permit.</i>		
	e) A schedule for completion of sludge removal and disposal not to exceed two years from the date discharge to the impoundment(s) ceased.		
	Within <u>one year</u> following completion of the sludge removal and disposal, the Permittee shall complete the following closure measures.		
	a) Remove all lines leading to and from the impoundment(s), or permanently plug and abandon the lines in place.		
	b) Remove or demolish any other wastewater system components and re-grade area with suitable fill to blend with surface topography, promote positive drainage and prevent ponding.		
	c) Characterize, remove, and dispose of all solids from the impoundments in accordance with local, state, and federal regulations, and maintain a record of solids transported for off-site disposal, including the volume of solids transported and the disposal location.		
	<ul> <li>d) Remove and dispose of the impoundment liners at a solid waste facility. If there is evidence of contaminated soil below the liners, assess the impact, report that assessment to NMED, and mitigate the impacts following NMED approval.</li> <li>e) Fill the impoundment(s) with suitable fill.</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>f) Re-grade the impoundment site and the locations of ancillary equipment, e.g., influent piping, to blend with surface topography, promote positive drainage and prevent ponding.</li> </ul>		
	The Permittee shall continue groundwater monitoring until the Permittee meets the requirements of this condition met and groundwater monitoring confirms for a minimum of eight consecutive quarterly groundwater sampling events that groundwater does not exceed the standards of Section 20.6.2.3103 NMAC. This period is referred to as "post-closure."		
	If at any time monitoring results show an exceedance of a groundwater quality standard in Section 20.6.2.3103 NMAC, the Permittee shall implement the Contingency Plan required by this Discharge Permit.		
	Following notification from NMED that the Permittee may cease post-closure monitoring, the Permittee shall plug and abandon the monitoring well(s) in accordance with the attached Monitoring Well Guidance.		

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	When the Permittee has met all closure and post-closure requirements and verified appropriate actions with date stamped photographic evidence or an associated NMED inspection, the Permittee may submit to NMED a written request, including photographic evidence, for termination of the Discharge Permit.
	[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC, Subsection D of 20.6.2.4103 NMAC, 40 CFR Part 503]
E.	GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

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33.	<ul> <li>RECORD KEEPING - The Permittee shall maintain a written record of the following:</li> <li>Information and data used to complete the application for this Discharge Permit;</li> <li>Information, data, and documents demonstrating completion of closure activities;</li> <li>Any releases (commonly known as "spills") not authorized under this Discharge Permit and reports submitted pursuant to 20.6.2.1203 NMAC;</li> <li>The operation, maintenance, and repair of all facilities/equipment used to treat, store or dispose of wastewater:</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>store or dispose of wastewater;</li> <li>Facility record drawings (plans and specifications) showing the actual construction of the Facility and bear the seal and signature of a licensed New Mexico professional engineer;</li> <li>Copies of logs, inspection reports, and monitoring reports completed and/or submitted to NMED pursuant to this Discharge Permit;</li> <li>The volume of wastewater or other wastes discharged pursuant to this Discharge Permit;</li> <li>Groundwater quality and wastewater quality data collected pursuant to this Discharge Permit;</li> <li>Copies of construction records (well log) for all sampled groundwater monitoring wells pursuant to this Discharge Permit;</li> <li>The maintenance, repair, replacement or calibration of any monitoring equipment or flow measurement devices required by this Discharge Permit; and</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Data and information related to field measurements, sampling, and analysis conducted pursuant to this Discharge Permit, including:         <ul> <li>the dates, location and times of sampling or field measurements;</li> <li>the name and job title of the individuals who performed each sample collection or field measurement;</li> <li>the sample analysis date of each sample;</li> <li>the name and address of the laboratory, and the name of the signatory authority for the laboratory analysis;</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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	<ul> <li>the analytical technique or method used to analyze each sample or collect each field measurement;</li> <li>the results of each analysis or field measurement, including raw data;</li> <li>the results of any split, spiked, duplicate or repeat sample; and</li> <li>a copy of the laboratory analysis chain-of-custody as well as a description of the quality assurance and quality control procedures used.</li> </ul> The Permittee shall maintain the written record at a location accessible to NMED during a Facility inspection for a minimum of five years and make the record available to NMED upon request. [Subsections A and D of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC]			
34.	SUBMITTALS – The Permittee shall submit both a paper copy and an electronic copy of all notification and reporting documents required by this Discharge Permit, e.g., monitoring reports. The Permittee shall submit paper and electronic documents to the NMED Permit Contact identified on the Permit cover page. [Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC]			
35.	INSPECTION and ENTRY – The Permittee shall allow NMED to inspect the Facility and its operations that are subject to this Discharge Permit and the WQCC regulations. NMED may upon presentation of proper credentials, enter at reasonable times upon or through any premises in which a water contaminant source is located or in which any maintained records required by this Discharge Permit, the regulations of the federal government, or the WQCC are located. The Permittee shall allow NMED to have access to and reproduce for their use any copy			
	of the records, and to perform assessments, sampling or monitoring during an inspection for the purpose of evaluating compliance with this Discharge Permit and the WQCC regulations. No person shall construe anything in this Discharge Permit as limiting in any way the			
	inspection and entry authority of NMED under the WQA, the WQCC Regulations, or any other local, state or federal regulations. [Subsection D of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC, NMSA 1978, §§ 74-6-9.B and 74-6-9.E]			
36.	DUTY to PROVIDE INFORMATION - The Permittee shall, upon NMED's request, allow for NMED's inspection/duplication of records required by this Discharge Permit and/or furnish to NMED copies of such records.			
	[Subsection D of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC]			

<ul> <li>37. MODIFICATIONS and/or AMENDMENTS – In the event the Permittee proposes a change to the Facility or the Facility's discharge that would result in a change in the volume discharged; the location of the discharge; or in the amount or character of water contaminants received, treated or discharged by the Facility, the Permittee shall notify NMED prior to implementing such changes. The Permittee shall obtain NMED's approval (which may require modification of this Discharge Permit) prior to implementing such changes.</li> <li>[Subsection C of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC, Subsections E and G of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC]</li> <li>38. PLANS and SPECIFICATIONS – In the event the Permittee proposes to construct a wastewater system or change a process unit of an existing system such that the quantity or quality of the discharge will change substantially from that authorized by this Discharge Permit, the Permittee shall submit construction plans and specifications of the proposed system or process unit to NMED for approval prior to the commencement of construction.</li> <li>In the event the Permittee implements changes to the wastewater system authorized by this Discharge Permit that result in only a minor effect on the character of the discharge, the Permittee shall report such changes (including the submission of record drawings where applicable) to NMED prior to implementation.</li> <li>[Subsections A and C of 20.6.2.1202 NMAC, NMSA 1978, §§ 61-23-1 through 61-23-32]</li> </ul>	#	Terms and Conditions	
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40. CRIMINAL PENALTIES – No person shall:	40.		

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	<ul> <li>Make any false material statement, representation, certification or omission of material fact in an application, record, report, plan or other document filed, submitted or maintained under the WQA;</li> <li>Falsify, tamper with or render inaccurate any monitoring device, method or record maintained under the WQA; or</li> <li>Fail to monitor, sample or report as required by a permit issued pursuant to a state or federal law or regulation.</li> <li>Any person who knowingly violates or knowingly causes or allows another person to violate the requirements of this condition is guilty of a fourth-degree felony and shall be sentenced in accordance with the provisions of NMSA 1978, § 31-18-15. Any person who is convicted of a second or subsequent violation of the requirements of this condition is guilty of a third-degree felony and shall be sentenced in accordance with the provisions of NMSA 1978, § 31-18-15. Any person who knowingly violates the requirements of this condition is guilty of a third-degree felony and shall be sentenced in accordance with the provisions of NMSA 1978, § 31-18-15. Any person who knowingly violates the requirements of this condition or knowingly causes another person to violate the requirements of this condition and thereby causes a substantial adverse environmental impact is guilty of a third-degree felony and shall be sentenced in accordance with the provisions of NMSA 1978, § 31-18-15. Any person who knowingly violates the requirements of this condition and thereby causes a substantial adverse environmental impact is guilty of a third-degree felony and shall be sentenced in accordance with the provisions of NMSA 1978, § 31-18-15. Any person who knowingly violates the requirements of this condition and thereby causes a substantial adverse environmental impact is guilty of a third-degree felony and shall be sentenced in accordance with the provisions of NMSA 1978, § 31-18-15.</li> <li>[20.6.2.1220 NMAC, NMSA 1978, §§ 74-6-10.2.A through 74-6-10.2.F]</li> </ul>		
41.	COMPLIANCE with OTHER LAWS - Nothing in this Discharge Permit shall be construed in any way as relieving the Permittee of the obligation to comply with any other applicable federal, state, and/or local laws, regulations, zoning requirements, nuisance ordinances, permits or orders. [NMSA 1978, § 74-6-5.L]		
42.	RIGHT to APPEAL - The Permittee may file a petition for review before the WQCC on this Discharge Permit. Such petition shall be in writing to the WQCC within thirty days of the receipt of postal notice of this Discharge Permit and shall include a statement of the issues raised and the relief sought. Unless the Permittee files a timely petition for review, the decision of NMED shall be final and not subject to judicial review. [20.6.2.3112 NMAC, NMSA 1978, § 74-6-5.0]		
43.	TRANSFER of DISCHARGE PERMIT - Prior to the transfer of any ownership, control, or possession of this Facility or any portion thereof, the Permittee shall:		

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	<ul> <li>Notify the proposed transferee in writing of the existence of this Discharge Permit;</li> <li>Include a copy of this Discharge Permit with the notice; and</li> <li>Deliver or send by certified mail to NMED a copy of the notification and proof that the proposed transferee has received such notification.</li> <li>The Permittee shall continue to be responsible for any discharge from the Facility, until both ownership and possession of the Facility have been transferred to the transferee.</li> </ul>			
	[20.6.2.3111 NMAC]			
44.	PERMIT FEES – The Permittee shall be aware that the payment of permit fees is due at the time of Discharge Permit approval. The Permittee may pay the permit fees in a single payment or they may pay the fee in equal installments on a yearly basis over the term of the Discharge Permit. The Permittee shall remit single payments to NMED no later than 30 days after the Discharge Permit issuance date. The Permittee shall remit initial installment payments to NMED no later than 30 days after the Discharge Permit issuance date; with subsequent installment payments remitted to NMED no later than the anniversary of the Discharge Permit issuance date.			
	Permit fees are associated with <u>issuance</u> of this Discharge Permit. No person shall construe anything in this Discharge Permit as relieving the Permittee of the obligation to pay all permit fees assessed by NMED. A Permittee that ceases discharging or does not commence discharging from the Facility during the term of the Discharge Permit shall pay all permit fees assessed by NMED. NMED shall suspend or terminate an approved Discharge Permit if the Permittee fails to remit an installment payment by its due date.			
	[Subsection F of 20.6.2.3114 NMAC, NMSA 1978, § 74-6-5.K]			



#### **Facility Information**

Facility NameBrackish Water Treatment Facility (BWTF)Discharge Permit NumberDP-1827

Legally Responsible Party

David Nunnelley, Utilities Director City of Alamogordo 2600 N. Florida Ave Alamogordo, New Mexico 88310

Treatment, Disposal and Site Information

(575-437-5991)

Primary Waste Type Facility Type Industrial wastewater-- RO brine RO Facility

	Treatr	ment Methods
Туре	Designation	Description & Comments
Brackish Water Treatment System	BWTF	Treatment facility receives 1,000,000 gallons per day of brackish water via pipeline and treats via RO to produce a high-quality low TDS water to be introduced into the City of Alamogordo public water system during high usage periods.

Discharge Locations		
Туре	Designation	Description & Comments
Impoundment (1)	Evaporation	One 5.6 acre double synthetically lined with leak detection;
impoundment (1)	impoundment	total storage volume is 1.3 million gallons.

Flow Metering Locations		
Туре	Designation	Description & Comments
Totalizing Flow Meter		To be installed on the discharge line from the RO treatment system to measure volume of wastewater discharged to the evaporative impoundment.
Totalizing Flow Meter		To be installed on the discharge line from the RO treatment system to measure the volume of wastewater discharge to the sanitary sewer system.

#### Ground Water Monitoring Locations

Туре	Designation	Description & Comments
Monitoring Well	MW-1	800 feet northeast of impoundment, hydrologically upgradient.
Monitoring Well	MW-2	South edge of evaporative impoundment, hydrologically downgradient.
Monitoring Well	MW-3	500 feet west of evaporative impoundment, hydrologically downgradient.



Depth-to-Ground Water	73 feet		
Total Dissolved Solids (TDS)	7,200 mg/L		
Permit Information			
Original Permit Issued	May 18, 2015		
Permit Modification	September 29, 2016		
<b>Current Action</b>	renewal		
Application Received	April 28, 2023		
Public Notice Published	[PN-2 Date]		
Permit Issued (Issuance Date)	[issuance date]		
Permitted Discharge Volume	300,000 gallons per day		
Mailing Address	NMED Contact Information Ground Water Quality Bureau P.O. Box 5469 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87502-5469		
GWQB Telephone Number	(505) 827-2900		
NMED Lead Staff	Kathleen Murphy		
Lead Staff Telephone Number	(505) 660-7567		
Lead Staff Email	Kathleen.Murphy@env.nm.gov or pps.general@env.nm.gov		