- 1. Effective performance based upon treatment levels for which the treatment works was designed;
 - 2. Adequate funding;
 - 3. Effective management;
 - Adequate operator staffing and training;
- 5. Regularly scheduled inspection and maintenance programs; and
- 6. Adequate laboratory and process controls including appropriate quality assurance procedures as described in 40 CFR Part 136 and applicable State laws and rules.
- (b) Any permittee who operates a treatment works shall satisfy the licensing requirements of the "Water Supply and Wastewater Operators Licensing Act," N.J.S.A. 58:11–64 et seq., and promulgated pursuant thereto. This subsection requires the operation of back-up or auxiliary facilities or similar systems when necessary to achieve compliance with the conditions of the NJPDES permit or where required by applicable law or regulation.
- (c) All permittees shall submit written verification to the Department that an operation and maintenance manual for the treatment works, including related appurtenances and collection system, has been or will be completed by the effective date or a compliance date included in a new or renewed NJPDES permit issued subsequent to May 5, 1997. A permittee does not need to submit the operation and maintenance manual to the Department, unless specifically directed to do so. When the Department directs a permittee to submit the operation and maintenance manual, the Department shall state the reasons for requiring the submittal in a letter requesting the submittal. In the case of a NJPDES permit for stormwater discharges or separate storm sewers which expressly exempts permittees from this provision, the exemption shall apply only to the discharge authorized by the permit. Any affected permittee shall comply with the following operation and maintenance manual requirements:
 - 1. The operation and maintenance manual shall be made available for inspection upon request by an authorized representative of the Department.
 - 2. The operation and maintenance manual shall be amended whenever there is a change in the treatment works design, construction, operations or maintenance which substantially changes the treatment works operations and maintenance procedures.
 - 3. An operation and maintenance manual shall describe, at a minimum, the following:
 - i. Operator and staff responsibilities;
 - Staff guidance for emergency situations;
 - iii. Identification of NJPDES permit requirements and the obligation to meet these requirements;

- iv. Operating procedures including a detailed description of each major treatment unit/process with relationship to related units, safe operating procedure for normal operation, including common operating problems, safe operating procedures for operating during emergency conditions, and any fail-safe features;
- v. A program of regularly scheduled inspection and maintenance; and
- vi. An emergency plan in accordance with (d) below.
- (d) An emergency plan shall be included as part of the operation and maintenance manual, except for those operations issued permits under N.J.A.C. 7:14A-20.
 - 1. When a person has prepared an emergency plan required by regulations other than this chapter, such plans or plan and any amendments necessary to meet the requirements of this section will satisfy the requirements of this section provided the plan is labeled to identify the requirements listed in this section.
 - 2. An emergency plan shall be amended whenever:
 - i. There is a modification, including expansion, of the treatment works; or
 - ii. Any other conditions related to the plan have changed.
 - 3. The emergency plan shall be designed to ensure effective operation of the treatment works under emergency conditions, and shall consist, at a minimum, of the following elements:
 - i. A vulnerability analysis which shall estimate the degree to which the treatment works would be adversely affected by each type of emergency situation which could reasonably be expected to occur, including but not limited to those emergencies caused by natural disaster, civil disorder, strike, sabotage, faulty maintenance, negligent operation or accident;
 - (1) The vulnerability analysis shall include, but is not limited to, an estimate of the effects of such an emergency upon the following:
 - (A) Power supply;
 - (B) Communication;
 - (C) Equipment;
 - (D) Supplies;
 - (E) Personnel;
 - (F) Security; and
 - (G) Emergency procedures to be followed.
 - ii. An evaluation of the possible adverse effects on public health and the environment due to such an emergency; and

- iii. An emergency operation plan for ensuring, to the maximum extent possible, uninterrupted treatment works operation and a manual of procedures for the implementation of such plan, including procedures for the notification of any appropriate regulatory agency, affected water supply purveyors, and any other municipal authority or agency. The plan and manual shall address each of the emergency situations described in the vulnerability analysis.
- 4. The Department shall not individually review and approve an emergency plan as part of the permit issuance process. The Department's decision not to review and approve an emergency plan shall not exempt a person from liability for violations arising from an emergency situation. A person shall take all necessary actions to mitigate the damage to the waters of the State arising from an emergency situation. Such actions shall not be limited by the emergency operating plan and the operation and maintenance manual.
- 5. Failure to have on file any part of the operation and maintenance manual in compliance with (c) above and failure to implement the emergency plan pursuant to this subsection shall each constitute a violation of this chapter.
- 6. In emergency situations, a permittee shall implement the requirements of the emergency plan to the fullest extent possible. In addition, any conditions of the emergency plan that the permittee can implement prior to an emergency situation to reduce the potential for an emergency situation, shall be implemented.
- (e) A municipality or sewerage authority who is not a permittee (for example, does not have a direct surface or groundwater discharge) but who owns and operates a treatment works used only for the collection or transportation of domestic sewage is not required to prepare an operations and maintenance manual. However, the municipality or sewerage authority shall be responsible for the proper operation and maintenance of that treatment works. The criteria for proper operations and maintenance and an emergency plan pursuant to (a) and (d) above, may be used as a guideline and implemented as applicable.

7:14A-6.13 General permits

- (a) The Department shall issue a general permit to authorize a category of surface water, ground water, or indirect discharges, residual use or disposal practices, or facilities within a geographic area, described in (b) below, except those otherwise eligible for authorization but which are authorized pursuant to individual permits or other general permits. The area shall correspond to existing geographic or political boundaries, such as:
 - 1. Designated planning areas under Sections 208 and 303 of the Federal Act and Section 5 of the "New Jersey Water Quality Planning Act", N.J.S.A. 58:11A-1 et seq.;

- 2. Sewer districts or sewerage agencies;
- 3. City, county, or State political boundaries;
- 4. State highway systems;
- 5. Standard metropolitan statistical areas as defined by the Office of Management and Budget;
- 6. Urbanized areas as designated by the Bureau of Census according to criteria in 39 FR 15202 (May 1, 1974); or
- 7. Any other appropriate division or combination of boundaries.
- (b) A general permit may be written to regulate within the area described in (a) above, either:
 - 1. Stormwater discharges;
 - 2. Non-contact cooling water discharges;
 - 3. Combined sewer overflows; or
 - 4. A category of discharges other than those listed in (b)1 through 3 above, if they all:
 - i. Involve the same or substantially similar types of operations;
 - ii. Discharge the same type of wastes or engage in similar residual use or disposal practices;
 - iii. Require the same or similar effluent limitations, operating conditions, or standards for residual use or disposal;
 - iv. Require the same or similar monitoring; and
 - v. In the opinion of the Department, are more appropriately controlled under a general permit than under individual permits.
- (c) General permits may be issued, modified, revoked and reissued, suspended, or revoked in accordance with applicable requirements of N.J.A.C. 7:14A–15, 16 and 17. The Department shall publish in the New Jersey Register a notice of administrative change revising the list of general permits in the table below to reflect any of these general permit actions. The list in this table is for informational purposes only. The Department advises prospective applicants to obtain a copy of the most recent general permit list from the Department's Division of Water Quality at PO Box 029, Trenton, New Jersey 08625, or from the Division's website (http://www.state.nj.us/dep/dwq). A copy of any general permit on the list may be obtained from the same address.

NJPDES Permit No. NJ0108308 NJ0108642	Category I1 I2	Name of General Permit Stormwater Basins at Sanitary Landfills Filter Backwash Water from Potable Wa-	Discharge Type1 DGW	Year Issue 2001
NJ0108042 NJ0130281	T1	ter Treatment Plants Existing Sanitary Septic Systems	DGW DGW	1996 1998
NJ0107671 NJ0088315	SM 5G2	Scrap Metal Stormwater Basic Industrial Stormwater	DGW/DSW DSW	1999 1997
NJ0088323	5G3	Construction Activity Stormwater	DSW	1997



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Permit No.	Category	Name of General Permit	Type1	Issued	
NJ0108456	CPM	Concrete Products Manufacturing Storm-			
		water	DSW	1995	
NJ0134791	R5	Newark Airport Complex Stormwater	DSW	2000	
NJ0070203	CG	Non-contact Cooling Water	DSW	2000	
NJ0102709	B4B	Groundwater Petroleum Product Clean-			
		up	DSW	1998	
NJ0105023	CSO	Combined Sewer Overflow	DSW	2000	
NJ0128589	B6	Swimming Pool Discharges	DSW ·	1998	
NJ0132993	BG	Hydrostatic Test Water	DSW	1999	
NJ0134511	B7	Construction Dewatering	DSW	1999	
NJ0105767	EG	Land Application Food Processing Re-			
		siduals	RES	1998	
NJ0132519	ZG	Residuals Transfer Facilities	RES	1999	
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¹Acronyms identifying "Discharge Type" have the following meanings:

DGW Discharge to Groundwater
DSW Discharge to Surface Water
RES Residual Use or Disposal

- (d) An authorization under a general permit shall be obtained as follows:
 - 1. Except as provided in (d)7 and 8 below, persons seeking authorization under a general permit shall submit to the Department a written request for authorization. A person who fails to submit a request for authorization in accordance with the terms of the permit is not authorized to discharge under the terms of the general permit unless:
 - i. The general permit, in accordance with (d)7 below, contains a provision that a request for authorization is not required; or
 - ii. The Department notifies a person that the discharge is authorized by a general permit in accordance with (d)8 below.
 - 2. The contents of the request for authorization shall be specified in the general permit and shall require the submission of information necessary for adequate program implementation, including, at a minimum, the legal name and address of the owner and operating entity, the facility name and address, type of facility or discharges, the receiving surface or ground water(s) or DTW, and the certification required under (d)3 below. Unless the general permit specifies otherwise, the request for authorization shall include all of the forms, information, signatures, and certification(s) that this chapter requires to be included in an application for a NJPDES permit. The request for authorization shall also include any other certification specified in the general permit.
 - 3. In addition to the information required under (d)2 above, the request for authorization shall include, when specified in the general permit, a certification that arrangements have been made for publication, in a daily or weekly newspaper within the area affected by the facility, of a notice which states that a request for authorization under a general permit has been submitted pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:14A-6.13(d). This notice shall also identify the general permit under which authorization is sought, the legal name and address of the owner and operating entity or, the facility name and address, type of facility or discharges, and the receiving surface or ground water(s) or DTW. Each general permit shall set forth the form of notice appropriate to that general permit.
 - 4. General permits shall specify the deadlines for submitting requests for authorization and the date(s) when a person is authorized to discharge under the permit.

- 5. General permits shall specify whether a person that has submitted a complete and timely request for authorization in accordance with the general permit, and that is eligible for authorization under the permit, is authorized to discharge in accordance with the permit either upon:
 - i. Receipt of the request for authorization by the Department, after a waiting period specified in the general permit, where applicable;
 - ii. On a date specified in the general permit; or
 - iii. Upon the person's receipt of notification of authorization by the Department.
- 6. Authorization may be suspended, revoked, or denied in accordance with (j) through (m) below. The Department shall publish in the DEP Bulletin, or other similar DEP publication, a quarterly report of each authorization issued under a general permit.
- 7. Discharges from DTWs, combined sewer overflows, primary industrial facilities, and stormwater discharges associated with industrial activity shall submit a request for authorization to the Department. Other discharges, may, at the discretion of the Department, be authorized under a general permit without submission of a request for authorization where the Department finds that a request for authorization requirement is inappropriate. The Department shall provide in the public notice of the general permit the reasons for not requiring a request for authorization. In making such a finding, the Department shall consider:
 - The type of discharges;
 - The expected nature of the discharges;
 - iii. The potential for toxic and conventional pollutants in the discharges;
 - iv. The expected volume of the discharges;
 - v. Other means of identifying discharges authorized by the permit; and
 - vi. The estimated number of discharges to be authorized by the permit.
- 8. The Department may notify a person that the discharge is authorized by a general permit, even if the person has not submitted a request for authorization. A person so notified may nonetheless request an individual permit under (i) below.
- 9. A general permit may provide for automatic renewal of authorization when that general permit is reissued, provided the discharge authorized under the general permit continues to be eligible. If such a general permit requires a request for authorization under (d)1 above, the most recently submitted request for authorization is also a timely and complete request for authorization under the reissued permit (for any permittee who had authorization under the permit immediately prior to the effective date of the reissued permit), and the Department shall issue a notice of renewed authorization to the permittee.

- i. If the permittee is aware that any information in that most recently submitted request for authorization is no longer true, accurate, and/or complete, the permittee shall provide the correct information to the Department within 90 days after that effective date, if the permittee has not done so already.
- ii. A permittee whose authorization is renewed under this paragraph may request to be excluded from the reissued general permit in accordance with (g) below, and may also request a stay of the application to that permittee of any conditions of the reissued permit in accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:14A–17.6.
- (e) The Department may require any permittee authorized by a general permit to apply for and obtain an individual NJPDES permit or seek and obtain authorization under another general permit. Also, any person may, in accordance with the procedures set forth at (l) below, petition the Department to take action under this subsection. An individual NJPDES permit or another general permit may be required when:
 - 1. There is evidence that the permittee may be a significant contributor of pollutants. In making this determination, the Department may consider the location of the discharge, facility, or activity, the size of the discharge or activity, the quantity and nature of pollutants, the quality of the receiving waters, and other relevant factors;
 - 2. The permittee is not in compliance with the conditions of the general permit;
 - 3. A change has occurred in the availability of demonstrated technology or practices for the control or abatement of pollutants;
 - 4. Effluent limitation guidelines are promulgated for the activity authorized by the general permit;
 - 5. A Water Quality Management Plan containing different requirements applicable to the permittee is adopted;
 - 6. Circumstances have changed since the time of authorization or the request for authorization such that the discharge is no longer appropriately controlled under the general permit, or either a temporary or permanent reduction or elimination of the authorized activity is necessary;
 - 7. The Department acquires new information indicating that the permittee otherwise is not eligible for the general permit according to terms specified in the general permit; or
 - 8. New standards for residual use or disposal are promulgated for the residual use and disposal practice covered by the general permit.
- (f) To require any permittee authorized by a general permit to apply for an individual NJPDES permit or seek authorization under another general permit as provided in (e) above, the Department shall notify the permittee in writing, as follows:

- 1. The notice shall include:
- i. A brief statement of the reasons for the determination that an individual permit or authorization under a different general permit is necessary;
- ii. An application form or the applicable request for authorization form;
- iii. A statement setting a time for the permittee to file the application or the applicable request for authorization; and
- iv. A statement that on the effective date of the individual NJPDES permit or on the date of the permittee's authorization under another general permit, the individual permittee's authorization under the general permit shall automatically terminate.
- 2. The Department may grant additional time for application for an individual permit or request for authorization, upon request by the permittee. If a permittee fails to submit in a timely manner an application form or request for authorization form required by the Department under this subsection, the permittee's authorization under the general permit will be automatically revoked at the end of the day specified for submitting the application form or request for authorization form.
- (g) Any permittee authorized by a general permit may request to be excluded from authorization under the general permit by applying for an individual NJPDES permit or for another general permit. The permittee shall submit an application under N.J.A.C. 7:14A-4.1, or a request for authorization for the other general permit (if required under (d) above), with reasons supporting the request. A request for an individual permit shall be processed under N.J.A.C. 7:14A-15, 16, and 17. A request for another general permit shall be processed under this section and the terms of the other general permit. The request shall be granted by the issuing of any individual permit, or by the issuing of authorization under the other general permit, if the reasons cited by the permittee are determined to be adequate to support the request.
- (h) When a permittee authorized by a general NJPDES permit is issued an individual NJPDES permit for the authorized discharge, or obtains authorization for that discharge under another general permit, the permittee's authorization under the general permit is automatically revoked on the effective date of the individual permit or on the date of the permittee's authorization under another general permit, whichever the case may be. When an individual NJPDES permit is denied to a permittee authorized by a general permit, or the permittee is denied authorization under another general permit, the permittee's authorization under the general permit is automatically revoked on the date of such denial, unless otherwise specified by the Department.

- (i) If a permittee's discharge is excluded from a general permit solely because that discharge already is authorized by an individual permit or authorization under another general permit, the permittee may request that the individual permit or authorization be revoked or modified, as appropriate, and that the discharge be authorized by a general permit identified in that request. The permittee shall submit a request for revocation or modification, with reasons supporting the request, to the Department. The permittee shall submit any request for revocation or modification of an individual permit under N.J.A.C. 7:14A-16, and that request shall be processed under N.J.A.C. 7:14A-15, 16 and 17. If the Department revokes or modifies the individual permit or authorization, and if authorization under a general permit is issued, after the permittee submits any request for authorization required under (d) above, the permittee shall be authorized under the general permit. In reviewing such requests, the Department may consider:
 - 1. The location of the discharge;
 - 2. The size of the discharge or activity;
 - 3. The quantity and nature of pollutants reaching the surface or ground waters of the State;
 - The quality of the receiving waters;
 - 5. Antibacksliding requirements in N.J.A.C. 7:14A–13.19, if applicable; and
 - 6. Any other factors the Department considers relevant to determining whether the discharge is best regulated under one permit or the other.
- (j) The Department may suspend or revoke a permittee's authorization under a general permit for causes specified in N.J.A.C. 7:14A-16.6. Such suspension or revocation of authorization is a type of permit suspension or revocation under N.J.A.C. 7:14A-16.6. A requirement pursuant to (f) above that a permittee apply for an individual permit or seek authorization under another general permit is not a revocation within the meaning of N.J.A.C. 7:14A-16.6, even if the permittee's authorization is eventually revoked in favor of an individual permit or another general permit, or is automatically revoked under (f)2 above, as a result of the permittee's failure to submit in a timely manner an application form or request for authorization form.
- (k) If the Department directs the permittee to apply for an individual permit or seek authorization under another general permit, the permittee may ask the Department to reconsider its decision by sending a letter to the Commissioner within 30 days of the issuance of the initial decision. The letter shall be sent to:

Office of Legal Affairs
Department of Environmental Protection
401 East State Street
CN 402
Trenton, NJ 08625

Both the envelope and the letter shall clearly indicate that it is a "REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF GENERAL PERMIT DETERMINATION." The Commissioner may act on the request with 60 days; if the Commissioner fails to take any action the request shall be deemed denied. In no event shall an order from the Department directing a permittee to apply for an individual permit or seek authorization under another general permit (or a denial of a request to reconsider that order) be deemed final agency action.

- (l) The following requirements apply to petitions filed under (e) above:
 - 1. Any petition shall state clearly and concisely:
 - i. The name, address, and telephone number of the petitioner;
 - ii. The petitioner's interest in the petition (including any organizational affiliations and any economic interest);
 - iii. The name and address of the permittee whose authorization could be affected by the petition;
 - iv. The number of the permit under which that permittee is authorized; and
 - v. The reasons why the petition should be granted (including any citations to any relevant legal authority).
 - 2. The petitioner shall serve the petition on both the Department and the permittees whose authorization could be affected by the petition.
 - 3. The permittees whose authorization could be affected shall have 30 days from the date the petition was served to respond to the petition. Any response shall be served on both the Department and the petitioner. The Department thereafter may in its discretion seek further information relevant to the petition.
 - 4. The Department shall determine whether to grant the petition based upon materials submitted in accordance with this subsection and based upon the criteria set forth in (e) above. The Department shall notify both the petitioner and the permittees whose authorization is affected by the petition of the Department's determination.
 - 5. Either party may ask the Department to reconsider its decision regarding a petition by sending a letter to the Commissioner within 30 days of the issuance of the initial decision. The letter shall be sent to the Department's Office of Legal Affairs, at the address listed above, and both the envelope and the letter shall clearly indicate that it is a "REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF PETITION DETERMINATION." The Commissioner may act on the request within 60 days; if the Commissioner fails to take any action the request shall be deemed denied. It shall be considered final agency action where the ultimate outcome of the agency proceedings is that the petition is denied by the Commissioner.

- (m) The following requirements apply to denial of requests for authorization:
 - 1. The Department shall deny a request for authorization if it determines that the subject discharge is not eligible for the general permit for which the person has requested authorization.
 - 2. The Department may deny a request for authorization if it determines that the discharge is not appropriately regulated under the relevant general permit because of:
 - i. Its location;
 - ii. The size of the discharge or activity;
 - iii. The quantity and nature of pollutants reaching the waters of the State;
 - iv. The quality of the receiving waters; or
 - v. Other relevant factors.
 - 3. If the Department denies a request for authorization, it shall notify the person of that denial in writing. A person whose request for authorization has been denied may ask the Department to reconsider its decision by sending a letter to the Commissioner within 30 days of the issuance of the initial denial. The letter shall be sent to the Department's Office of Legal Affairs, at the address listed above, and both the envelope and the letter shall clearly indicate that it is a "REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF GENERAL PERMIT DETERMINATION." The Commissioner may act on the request within 60 days; if the Commissioner fails to take any action the request shall be deemed denied. In no event shall a denial of a request for authorization, or a request to reconsider that denial, be deemed final agency action.
- (n) An authorization may be transferred to a new permittee in accordance with the requirements for an automatic transfer at N.J.A.C. 7:14A-16.2(d).
- (o) With the consent of the permittee, the Department shall revoke an authorization to discharge under a general permit without following the procedures set forth in N.J.A.C. 7:14A-15.6, if the discharge has ceased.

Amended by R.2002 d.34, effective January 22, 2002. See: 33 N.J.R. 3636(a), 34 N.J.R. 595(a).

Rewrote (c). Petition for Rulemaking. See: 35 N.J.R. 2954(a).

7:14A-6.14 Emergency permits

(a) Under the specified circumstances listed in (b) below, the Department may issue an emergency permit, except for a DSW, to allow the discharge of pollutants, where such discharge is unpermitted or the discharge consists of pollutants not covered by an effective permit.

- (b) The Department may issue an emergency permit to allow the activities listed in (a) above only after making a finding that:
 - 1. An imminent and substantial endangerment to human health or the environment will result unless an emergency permit is granted;
 - 2. A substantial and irretrievable loss of oil or gas resources will occur unless an emergency permit is granted to a Class II well under UIC program; and
 - i. Timely application for a regular permit could not practicably have been made; and
 - ii. The injection will not result in the movement of fluids into underground sources of drinking water; or
 - 3. A substantial delay in production of oil or gas resources will occur unless an emergency permit is granted to a new Class II well under the UIC program, and the authorization will not result in the movement of fluids into an underground source of drinking water.
- (c) The requirements for issuance of any emergency permit are as follows:
 - 1. The Department may issue an emergency permit by either oral or written permission from the Director. Oral permission shall be followed within five days by a written emergency permit.
 - 2. The Department may issue an emergency permit for any duration not to exceed 180 days, except:
 - i. That underground injections temporarily permitted in order to prevent an imminent and substantial endangerment to the health of persons shall be for a term no longer than required to prevent the hazard, or 90 days, whichever is less.
 - ii. That land application of municipal or nonhazardous sludge temporarily permitted in order to prevent an imminent and substantial endangerment to public health shall be for a term no longer than that required to prevent the hazard, or 180 days, whichever is less.
 - iii. That storage of municipal or non-hazardous sludge temporarily permitted in order to prevent an imminent and substantial endangerment to public health shall be for a term no longer than that required to prevent the hazard, or one year, whichever is less.
 - 3. The Department shall clearly specify in the emergency permit the following:
 - i. The wastes to be received and disposed of under the emergency permit;
 - ii. The manner and location of the treatment, storage, disposal, or injection of wastes;
 - iii. The rate, quantity, and quality of pollutants to be discharged; and

- iv. The monitoring and applicable reporting requirements which is required.
- 4. The Department may immediately suspend or revoke the emergency permit at any time following a determination that such action is appropriate to protect human health and the environment.
- 5. The Department shall publish, along with the emergency permit, a public notice of the emergency permit pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:14A–15.10, including:
 - i. The name and address of the office granting the emergency authorization;
 - ii. The name and location of the permitted facility;
 - iii. A brief description of the wastes involved;
 - iv. A brief description of the action authorized and reasons for authorizing it; and
 - v. The duration of the emergency permit.
- 6. The Department shall issue an emergency permit regarding injections only after a complete NJPDES permit application has been submitted. The emergency permit shall only be effective until final action is taken on the NJPDES permit application.
- 7. The Department shall condition the emergency permit regarding injection under the UIC program in any manner that the Department determines is necessary to ensure that the injection shall not result in the movement of fluids into an underground source of drinking water.
- 8. The Department shall incorporate in the emergency permit, to the extent possible and not inconsistent with the emergency situation, all applicable requirements of this chapter and 40 CFR Parts 264 and 266.

Administrative correction. See: 29 N.J.R. 3822(a).

7:14A-6.15 Residuals management

(a) Where applicable, the permittee shall comply with land-based sludge management criteria and shall conform with the requirements for the management of residuals and grit and screenings under:

- 1. Section 405 of the Federal Act governing the disposal of sludge from treatment works treating domestic sewage;
- 2. The Solid Waste Management Act, N.J.S.A. 13:1E-1 et seq., and the Solid Waste Management Rules, N.J.A.C. 7:26;
- 3. The Sludge Quality Assurance Regulations, N.J.A.C. 7:14C;
- 4. The Statewide Sludge Management Plan promulgated pursuant to the Water Quality Planning Act, N.J.S.A. 58:11A–1 et seq., and the Solid Waste Management Act, N.J.S.A. 13:1E–1 et seq.; and
- 5. The provisions concerning disposal of sewage sludge and septage in sanitary landfills set forth at N.J.S.A. 13:1E-42 and the Statewide Sludge Management Plan.
- (b) The NJPDES permit shall specify standards for residual use or disposal, under Section 405(d) of the Federal Act and N.J.A.C. 7:14A–20, unless those standards have been included in a permit issued under the appropriate provisions of subtitle C of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, Part C of the Safe Drinking Water Act, the Marine Protection, Research, and Sanctuaries Act of 1972, or the Clean Air Act, or under State permit programs approved by the Department.
- (c) When there are no applicable standards for residual use or disposal, the permit may include requirements developed on a case-by-case basis to protect public health and the environment from any adverse effects which may occur from toxic pollutants in residual. If any applicable standard for residual use or disposal is promulgated under section 405(d)of the Federal Act and Sections 4 and 6 of the State Act and that standard is more stringent than any limitation on the pollutant or practice in the permit, the Department may initiate proceedings under these rules to modify or revoke and reissue the permit to conform to the standard for residual use or disposal.

Amended by R.1999 d.164, effective May 17, 1999. See: 31 N.J.R. 200(a), 31 N.J.R. 1320(a). In (a)3, changed N.J.A.C. reference.