



STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

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February 4, 2016

Mary Ann Bliesner
Valley Processing
PO Box 246
Sunnyside, WA 98944

RE: Application for Renewal of Industrial NPDES Wastewater Discharge Permit No. WA0052060 for Valley Processing – Plant 1

Dear Ms. Bliesner:

Ecology issued Permit No. WA0052060 on February 16, 2012 for the discharge of wastewater from Valley Processing – Plant 1 to waters of the State and the Port of Sunnyside IWWTF. This permit is due to expire on **March 31, 2017**. Federal law and regulation requires an application for renewal of this permit. The Department of Ecology (Ecology) has been issuing all recent NPDES permits with a 1 year advance requirement for application submittal, based on the lead time required to prepare modern permits. To allow sufficient time to develop your permit, you must send the completed application to office on or before **March 31, 2016**.

Completing the Application

NPDES permit application Forms 1 and 2E and State Waste Discharge Industrial to POTW application form 040-177 are enclosed. I am also enclosing a copy of your expiring permit and December 22, 2010 application. Application forms are available from the Ecology website at <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/permits/forms.html>.

Please complete all sections of NPDES Form 1 and Form 2C and Sections A through J of the state permit application form.

Section J. Certifications of the state application form has to be signed by the Port of Sunnyside IWWTF prior to submitting the application to Ecology.

The following document(s) also must be submitted with your renewal application:

- **Updated User Contract (Appendix A) from the Port of Sunnyside IWWTF.**
- **S6.C Solid Waste Control Plan Update**



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If there have been significant changes to the facility or to the character of the wastewater, you may need to fill in additional sections. Examine all of the questions to see if there are some that are applicable even if they have not been marked. Please submit any additional information that you feel may help Ecology determine the impact of your discharge to surface waters.

Effluent limits for some pollutants are dependent upon the concentration already present in the receiving water. Please submit any available information on the background concentrations of pollutants at the point of discharge.

Submitting the Application

Please mail the **original, signed application** by **March 31, 2016** to:

Cindy Huwe, Permit Coordinator
Department of Ecology
Central Regional Office
1250 West Alder Street
Union Gap, WA 98903-0009

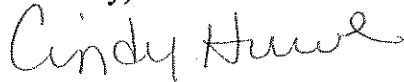
Information on laws, regulations and guidance on wastewater discharge permits can be found at:

<http://www.ecy.wa.gov/laws-rules/ecywac.html#wq> and
<http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/permits/guidance.html>

Your permit application is a matter of public record. When Ecology decides to proceed with re-issuance of your permit, a public notice will be issued to a newspaper of local circulation. This will allow the public to comment on Ecology's decision regarding your permit.

If you have any questions, please telephone me at 509/457-7105 or by e-mail at cynthia.huwe@ecy.wa.gov.

Sincerely,



Cindy Huwe
Permit Coordinator
Water Quality Program

Enclosures: Form 1 and 2E NPDES Application and Instructions
State Industrial to POTW Application and Instructions
Copy of Expiring Permit
Copy of December 22, 2010 Applications