



**PAG-10
NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES)
GENERAL PERMIT FOR DISCHARGES FROM
HYDROSTATIC TESTING OF TANKS AND PIPELINES
15-DAY NOTIFICATION FORM**

GENERAL INFORMATION

Permittee Name: _____ Permit No.: _____

Permittee Address: _____ Permit Approval Date: _____

Permittee City, State, Zip: _____ Permittee Phone: _____

Pipeline Type: New Existing

Normal Facility Contents: _____

DISCHARGE INFORMATION

Source water to be used for hydrostatic testing: _____

Report the latitude and longitude of the proposed discharge point(s):

Outfall No.	Latitude			Longitude			Municipality	County
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds		

Outfall No.	Anticipated Discharge Event				Receiving Water		
	Flow (GPM)	Duration (Hrs)	Volume (Gal)	No./Year	Name	Chapter 93 Existing Use	Q _h Flow (cfs)

CERTIFICATION

I certify under penalty of law and subject to the penalties of 18 Pa. C.S. Section 4904 (relating to unsworn falsification to authorities) that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gathered and evaluated the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I further acknowledge that the discharge(s) described herein are eligible for coverage under DEP's General Permit. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.

Name (type or print legibly)

Official Title

Signature

Date Signed



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The 15-Day Notification Form is to be used by those covered by the PAG-10 General Permit to notify DEP of any discharge that was not identified in the Notice of Intent (NOI) submitted for PAG-10 permit coverage or in an Annual Report. The information on this form, in effect, supplements the NOI with new information. Please be advised that all proposed discharges reported on this form must meet the eligibility requirements contained within the PAG-10 General Permit, including but not limited to the prohibition of discharges to waters with existing uses of HQ or EV. DEP may revoke PAG-10 General Permit coverage if discharges occur that are not eligible under the General Permit.

NOTE – The 15-day Notification Form may only be used to report discharges from pipelines identified in the NOI. An amendment NOI must be submitted for discharges from pipelines not previously reported.

NOTE – If any alternative discharge structure not previously identified in an NOI will be used, the permittee must submit an NOI for approval before use of the alternate discharge structure.

General Information

Identify the permittee name (as it appears on the first page of the PAG-10 General Permit issued by DEP), the permittee address and phone number, the PAG-10 permit number, and the General Permit coverage approval date. Check the box corresponding to “New Facility” or “Existing Facility” to indicate whether the facility undergoing hydrostatic testing is proposed (New) or currently exists (Existing). Describe the normal contents of the facility (e.g., natural gas, petroleum, etc.).

Discharge Information

Describe source(s) of water that will be used for hydrostatic testing.

NOTE – the PAG-10 General Permit requires measures to ensure that water withdrawn from surface waters does not cause impingement or entrainment of fish. In addition, be aware that river basin commissions may require notification for water withdrawals above certain thresholds.

Identify each new or modified discharge point (outfall) in the tables provided. List an identification number for each outfall, starting with 001 and continuing with 002, 003, etc. (numbering consistent with the original NOI and Annual Reports). Provide the latitude and longitude coordinates (end of pipe, channel or other conveyance, after the last point where wastes are introduced and/or treated, and prior to mixing with receiving waters). Identify the municipality and county of each outfall. If there are more outfalls than space allows, attach an additional sheet.

Report the maximum anticipated flow rate, in gallons per minute (GPM), and the maximum duration, in hours for the proposed hydrostatic test water discharge(s). Report the anticipated volume of water, in gallons, to be discharged per discharge event. Estimate the number of discharges per year in the “No./Year” column. Specify the name of the receiving waters for each outfall, as specified in 25 Pa. Code Chapter 93 or as otherwise known locally. Identify the existing use under Chapter 93. Existing uses (e.g., HQ-CWF) may differ from designated uses (e.g., CWF). The applicant should consult DEP’s existing use website and if an existing use is listed for the receiving waters, it should be reported on the NOI (visit www.dep.pa.gov, select “Businesses”, select “Water”, “Bureau of Clean Water”, “Water Quality”, select “Stream Redesignations” and “Statewide Existing Use Classifications”). If no existing use is available on DEP’s website, the designated use under Chapter 93 is the existing use. Designated uses can be searched on-line by visiting www.pacodeandbulletin.gov (Title 25, Chapter 93) or <https://gis.dep.pa.gov/emappa>. Specify the Harmonic Mean Flow (Q_h) in cubic feet per second (cfs) of the each receiving stream. The Q_h can be calculated using gage data or estimated using USGS StreamStats (<https://streamstats.usgs.gov/ss/>). Note that the General Permit requires the discharge flow to be less than 25% of the stream flow.

NOTE – if the discharge will be to surface waters via a municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4), specify this in the “Receiving Water Name” column and include, as an attachment to the 15-Day Notification Form, evidence that the owner of the MS4 has received notification of the applicant’s intent to discharge into the MS4.

Certification

The permittee must certify that the information contained in the 15-Day Notification Form is true, accurate and complete and agree to continue to abide by the terms and conditions of the General Permit. In addition, the responsible official’s signature also verifies that the proposed discharges are eligible for the General Permit and BMPs are or will be implemented to ensure that water quality standards and effluent limits are attained.

The 15-Day Notification Form must be signed as follows:

For individually owned operations - the owner of the facility must sign the Notification Form.

For a Corporation - by a responsible corporate officer. For purposes of this section, a responsible corporate officer means a principal executive officer of at least the level of vice president or an authorized representative, if the representative is responsible for the overall operation of the facility from which the discharge described in the Notification Form originates.

For a Partnership or Sole Proprietorship - by a general partner or the proprietor, respectively.

For a Municipality - state, federal or other public agency - by either a principal executive officer, ranking elected official or other authorized employee. For purposes of the Notification Form, a principal executive officer of a federal agency includes:

1. The chief executive officer of the agency, or
2. A senior executive officer who has responsibility for the overall operations of a principal geographic unit of the agency (e.g., Regional Administrator of EPA).

Submission

If the discharge will be to an MS4, submit this form to the owner of the MS4 first, prior to submission to DEP, and attach evidence of the submission to the Notification Form submitted to DEP. The Notification Form must be received by DEP at least 15 days prior to commencing the proposed discharge(s). The Notification Form must be submitted to the DEP office that issued the permit as well as, if applicable, the Delaware River Basin Commission (DRBC) if the discharge is within the Delaware River basin and/or the Susquehanna River Basin Commission (SRBC) if the discharge is within the Susquehanna River basin. If BCW issued the permit, a copy of the 15-Day notification must also be submitted to the regional office where the discharge will occur. For a list of DEP regional office addresses, please visit www.dep.pa.gov, select “Regional Resources.”