

Application Type Renewal  
Facility Type Industrial  
Major / Minor Minor

**NPDES PERMIT FACT SHEET  
INDIVIDUAL INDUSTRIAL WASTE (IW)  
AND IW STORMWATER**

Application No. PA0040321  
APS ID 1007005  
Authorization ID 1297629

**Applicant and Facility Information**

Applicant Name	<u>ABB Installation Products, Inc.</u>	Facility Name	<u>ABB Installation Products – Perkasio Plant</u>
Applicant Address	<u>131 Phoenix Crossing</u> <u>Bloomfield, CT 06002</u>	Facility Address	<u>1501 West Park Avenue</u> <u>Perkasie, PA 18944</u>
Applicant Contact	<u>Melody Christopher</u>	Facility Contact	<u>Melody Christopher</u>
Applicant Phone	<u>(860) 969-5306</u>	Facility Phone	<u>(860) 969-5306</u>
Client ID	<u>346710</u>	Site ID	<u>458559</u>
SIC Code	<u>3625</u>	Municipality	<u>East Rockhill Township</u>
SIC Description	<u>Manufacturing - Relays and Industrial Controls</u>	County	<u>Bucks</u>
Date Application Received	<u>July 19, 2019</u>	EPA Waived?	<u>Yes</u>
Date Application Accepted	<u></u>	If No, Reason	<u></u>
Purpose of Application	<u>Permit renewal</u>		

**Summary of Review**

The applicant requests renewal of a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit to discharge 43,000 gpd of treated groundwater into UNT to East Branch of Perkiomen Creek from the groundwater remediation system at ABB Installation Products, Inc. (former Thomas and Betts Perkasio Plant) located in East Rockhill Township, Bucks County. On December 20, 2018 the NPDES permit was transferred from Thomas & Betts Corp. to ABB Installation Products, Inc.

The facility, ABB Installation Products, Inc., only operates groundwater recovery and treatment system at the site which is currently owned by Servpro, a fire and water cleanup and restoration firm.

In 1979, after detecting trichloroethylene (TCE) in one of the municipal water supply wells for the nearby Borough of Sellersville, it was found that two wells on the Ansley Electronics Corporation (predecessor to Thomas and Betts) property were contaminated by TCE. The source of contamination was identified as a drum storage area on the Ansley property. The drums were removed from the storage area. In addition, three monitoring wells and a countercurrent air stripper were installed at the site. The two original wells were used to lower the water table to control further movement of the contaminated groundwater off-site and to recover the groundwater for treatment to remove Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs) prior to discharge.

Initial reports indicated that under static conditions, the direction of the groundwater flow at the site was predominately to the north. With the two recovery wells operating, the flow direction at the south property line continues to the northerly; however, the groundwater at the western property boundary of the site shifts to almost due east causing the flow direction to be northeasterly as the groundwater leaves the site.

The treatment at the site consists of two recovery wells (Well Nos. 4 and 5) producing a combined rate of 43,200 gpd. The recovered groundwater is then pumped through a bag filter for sediment removal and then to air stripping tower where

Approve	Deny	Signatures	Date
		Ketan Thaker / Project Manager	
		Pravin C. Patel, P.E. / Environmental Engineer Manager	

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VOCs, mainly TCE and 1,1,1 Trichloroethylene, are removed. The treated water is then discharged into an unnamed tributary (UNT) (intermittent) to East Branch Perkiomen Creek. Fouling of the air stripping tower caused a treatment failure and effluent exceedances were registered in 2018 and early 2019. A complete rehabilitation was performed in March 2019 to restore the system to original operating condition. The complete restoration of the air stripping tower has resulted in the effluent being in-compliance with all limits since it was placed back in operation. As the sample analysis for untreated groundwater show elevated level of some VOCs, the groundwater remediation must continue until sampling data show no contamination in the groundwater. Effluent limits for all the parameters will remain the same in this permit renewal.

Act-14 Notifications to East Rockhill Township, Borough of Perkasio and Bucks County Planning Commission on July 9, 2019.

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#### Public Participation

DEP will publish notice of the receipt of the NPDES permit application and a tentative decision to issue the individual NPDES permit in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* in accordance with 25 Pa. Code § 92a.82. Upon publication in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*, DEP will accept written comments from interested persons for a 30-day period (which may be extended for one additional 15-day period at DEP's discretion), which will be considered in making a final decision on the application. Any person may request or petition for a public hearing with respect to the application. A public hearing may be held if DEP determines that there is significant public interest in holding a hearing. If a hearing is held, notice of the hearing will be published in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* at least 30 days prior to the hearing and in at least one newspaper of general circulation within the geographical area of the discharge.

**Discharge, Receiving Waters and Water Supply Information**

Outfall No. 001 Design Flow (MGD) .043  
 Latitude 40° 22' 35.10" Longitude -75° 18' 16.18"  
 Quad Name \_\_\_\_\_ Quad Code \_\_\_\_\_  
 Wastewater Description: Groundwater Cleanup Discharge

Receiving Waters Unnamed Tributary to East Branch Stream Code \_\_\_\_\_  
Perkiomen Creek (TSF, MF) RMI \_\_\_\_\_  
 NHD Com ID 25992408 Yield (cfs/mi<sup>2</sup>) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Drainage Area \_\_\_\_\_ Q<sub>7-10</sub> Basis \_\_\_\_\_  
 Q<sub>7-10</sub> Flow (cfs) \_\_\_\_\_ Slope (ft/ft) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Elevation (ft) \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter 93 Class. TSF, MF  
 Watershed No. 3-E Existing Use Qualifier \_\_\_\_\_  
 Existing Use \_\_\_\_\_ Exceptions to Criteria \_\_\_\_\_  
 Exceptions to Use \_\_\_\_\_  
 Assessment Status Impaired  
 Cause(s) of Impairment FLOW REGIME MODIFICATION, SILTATION  
 Source(s) of Impairment URBAN RUNOFF/STORM SEWERS, URBAN RUNOFF/STORM SEWERS  
 TMDL Status \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_

Background/Ambient Data Data Source  
 pH (SU) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Temperature (°F) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Hardness (mg/L) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Nearest Downstream Public Water Supply Intake \_\_\_\_\_  
 PWS Waters \_\_\_\_\_ Flow at Intake (cfs) \_\_\_\_\_  
 PWS RMI \_\_\_\_\_ Distance from Outfall (mi) \_\_\_\_\_

Treatment Facility Summary				
<b>Treatment Facility Name:</b> ABB Installation Products - Perkasio Plant				
Waste Type	Degree of Treatment	Process Type	Disinfection	Avg Annual Flow (MGD)
Industrial			No Disinfection	
Hydraulic Capacity (MGD)	Organic Capacity (lbs/day)	Load Status	Biosolids Treatment	Biosolids Use/Disposal
		Not Overloaded		

Compliance History

DMR Data for Outfall 001 (from November 1, 2018 to October 31, 2019)

Parameter	OCT-19	SEP-19	AUG-19	JUL-19	JUN-19	MAY-19	APR-19	MAR-19	FEB-19	JAN-19	DEC-18	NOV-18
Flow (GPD) Average Monthly	8098	6303	3124	5944	7647	9512	10308	115		6042	11444	7448
pH (S.U.) Instantaneous Minimum	8.61	8.31	7.89	8.61	8.28	8.28	7.23	7.93		7.42	7.43	8.16
pH (S.U.) Instantaneous Maximum	8.39	8.38	8.13	8.49	8.31	8.17	7.17	7.84		7.42	7.43	8.16
1,1,1-Trichloroethane (mg/L) Industrial Influent   Instantaneous Maximum		< 0.00025			< 0.03			E				
1,1,1-Trichloroethane (mg/L) Influent   Instantaneous Maximum											< 0.01475	
1,1,1-Trichloroethane (mg/L) Instantaneous Maximum		< 0.00025			< 0.00024			26.4			0.00041	
Tetrachloro-ethylene (mg/L) Industrial Influent   Instantaneous Maximum		< 0.0025			< 0.0020			< 1.96				
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Tetrachloro-ethylene (mg/L) Instantaneous Maximum		< 0.00025			< 0.00025			1.415			0.0202	
Trichloroethylene (mg/L) Average Monthly	0.00031	< 0.00031	< 0.00025	< 0.00031	< 0.00031	0.00031	0.0017	0.006		4.050	1.124	0.0386

Trichloroethylene (mg/L) Industrial Influent   Instantaneous Maximum		2.1			< 1.91			2000				
Trichloroethylene (mg/L) Influent   Instantaneous Maximum											0.943	
Trichloroethylene (mg/L) Instantaneous Maximum	0.00031	< 0.00031	< 0.00025	< 0.00031	< 0.00031	0.00031	0.00169	< 0.006		4.050	1.124	0.0386

**Proposed Effluent Limitations and Monitoring Requirements**

The limitations and monitoring requirements specified below are proposed for the draft permit, and reflect the most stringent limitations amongst technology, water quality and BPJ. Instantaneous Maximum (IMAX) limits are determined using multipliers of 2 (conventional pollutants) or 2.5 (toxic pollutants). Sample frequencies and types are derived from the "NPDES Permit Writer's Manual" (362-0400-001), SOPs and/or BPJ.

**Outfall 001, Effective Period: Permit Effective Date through Permit Expiration Date.**

Parameter	Effluent Limitations						Monitoring Requirements	
	Mass Units (lbs/day) <sup>(1)</sup>		Concentrations (mg/L)				Minimum <sup>(2)</sup> Measurement Frequency	Required Sample Type
	Average Monthly	Average Weekly	Minimum	Average Monthly	Maximum	Instant. Maximum		
Flow (GPD)	Report	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	1/week	Measured
pH (S.U.)	XXX	XXX	6.0 Inst Min	XXX	XXX	9.0	1/month	Grab
1,1,1-Trichloroethane Industrial Influent	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	Report	1/quarter	Grab
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	Report	1/quarter	Grab
Tetrachloro-ethylene	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	Report	1/quarter	Grab
Tetrachloro-ethylene Industrial Influent	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	Report	1/quarter	Grab
Trichloroethylene	XXX	XXX	XXX	0.003	XXX	0.036	1/month	Grab
Trichloroethylene Industrial Influent	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	Report	1/quarter	Grab