Antrim Township

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ASSESS ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTY AND

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY--REGION 3

Water Protection Division, Office of NPDES Permits and Enforcement, NPDES Enforcement Branch (3WP42)

1650 Arch Street

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103

Date of Notice: February 23, 2017

General NPDES Permit

DOCKET NUMBER: CWA-03-2017-0101

Comments will be accepted until April 3, 2017.

In accordance with Section 309(g) of the Clean Water Act (CWA), 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g), notice is hereby given that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Region III, is proposing an administrative civil penalty against the Respondent named below, for alleged violations at the facility listed below.

RESPONDENT:

Antrim Township 10655 Antrim Church Road Greencastle, PA 17225

FACILITY:

Antrim Township, POTW Pretreatment Program

SUMMARY OF VIOLATIONS: Antrim Township violated the Clean Water Act, specifically, the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit program, by failing to fully develop and implement properly a Pretreatment Program. Antrim Township had failed to correctly issue permits to users; failed to issue permits to users that comply with all federal regulations and that are consistent with local limits; failed to conduct all required compliance sampling and compliance inspections; failed to implement an enforcement response plan; and failed to maintain all required records. The Consent Agreement and Final Order (CAFO) alleges these same violations of Sections 301(a) and 402 of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. §§ 1311(a) and 1342. These violations were discovered during a July 15, 2014 NPDES inspection of the Antrim Township POTW Pretreatment Program.

PROPOSED ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTY: Based on the foregoing and having taken into account the penalty factors set forth in Section 309(g) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g), EPA Region III proposes to assess an administrative civil penalty against Antrim Township in the amount of \$20,000. The total proposed penalty is consistent with 40 C.F.R. Part 19.

OPPORTUNITY FOR COMMENT: Persons wishing to comment on the amount or basis of the proposed assessment are invited to submit a statement to the EPA Regional Administrator, addressed to the attention of the Regional Hearing Clerk (address below), within forty (40) days of the date of this public notice. Comments received within this forty (40) day period will be considered in the formulation of the final penalty assessment order. All comments must include the name, address, and telephone number of the writer and concise statement of the basis for any comment and any relevant facts on which it is based.

All comments should be addressed to:

Regional Hearing Clerk (3RC00) U.S. EPA, Region III 1650 Arch Street Philadelphia, PA 19103-2029 **AVAILABILITY OF INFORMATION:** Information relevant to the proposed penalty assessment may be requested through the Regional Hearing Clerk.

REGISTERY OF INTERESTED PERSONS: Any person interested in a particular case or group of cases may leave his/her name, address, and telephone number on a registry of interested persons which will be maintained in each file. The list of names will be maintained as a means for persons with an interest in the case to contact others with the same interest.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION. Interested parties may contact the following EPA representative to learn more about this action.

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