

NOTICE OF ISSUANCE OF GENERAL PERMIT 3-9003
VERMONT MULTI-SECTOR GENERAL PERMIT FOR STORMWATER DISCHARGES
ASSOCIATED WITH INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITY

Please be notified that the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources (the Agency) has issued Multi-Sector General Permit (MSGP) 3-9003 on this 18th day of August 2006 for discharges from industrial activities. This MSGP establishes requirements, standards, prohibitions and management practices for discharges of storm water from industrial activities.

Operators that discharge stormwater from industrial activities covered by the general permit will be required to submit a Notice of Intent (NOI) and Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) to the Agency to obtain coverage according to the timeframes set forth in the general permit. Facilities in existence as of today are required to submit an NOI immediately and have up to 270 days to file a complete SWPPP with the Agency. New facilities must file an NOI and SWPPP simultaneously when seeking coverage.

Once an NOI has been submitted to the Agency and to the municipal clerk of the municipality in which the discharge is located the public will have ten days to comment on the request for coverage under the general permit. A discharge will be authorized if the Secretary makes a written determination that your NOI filing is complete and the discharge is eligible for coverage under the terms and conditions of this general permit following the completion of this 10 day public comment period. Subsequent to the effective date of permit coverage, if the Secretary determines that incorrect or insufficient information has been provided in your NOI, or in the event that the Secretary determines that you do not qualify for coverage under this permit for other reasons, or the Secretary determines that your SWPPP fails to satisfy the terms and conditions of this permit, authorization to discharge under the terms of this permit will be deemed void retroactive to the date of initial coverage. The Secretary may make such a determination based on public comments received on your SWPPP or upon other information received from the public or other sources.

General Permit 3-9003 and a summary of the Agency's response to public comments on the permit are available on-line at http://www.vtwaterquality.org/stormwater/htm/sw_msgp.htm If you are unable to download the permit or responsiveness summary you may request a copy by calling 802-241-3770 or by sending a written request to: Water Quality Division – MSGP, 10 North, 103 South Main Street, Waterbury, VT 05671-0408.

Pursuant to 10 VSA Chapter 220, any appeal of this permit must be filed with the clerk of the Environmental Court within 30 days of the date of the decision. The appellant must attach to the Notice of Appeal the entry fee of \$225.00 payable to the State of Vermont. The Notice of Appeal must specify the parties taking the appeal and the statutory provision under which each party claims party status; must designate the act or decision appealed from; must name the Environmental Court; and must be signed by the appellant or their attorney. The appellant must also serve a copy of the Notice of Appeal in accordance with Rule 5(b)(4)(B) of the Vermont Rules for Environmental Court Proceedings. For further information, see the Vermont Rules for Environmental Court Proceedings, available on-line at www.vermontjudiciary.org. The address for the Environmental Court is 2418 Airport Road, Suite 1, Barre, VT 05641 (Tel. #802-828-1660)