Violations of NPDES Permit MS4 Program

Respondent violated the terms of its National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit which authorizes discharges of stormwater through its MS4.

City of Charlottesville, VA  ($26,000 penalty)
- Failed to implement all required procedures to reduce stormwater runoff from active construction sites and implement an operation and maintenance program at municipal facilities to eliminate pollutant runoff. (July 2013)

City of Lynchburg, VA  ($32,000 penalty)
- Failed to implement all required procedures to reduce stormwater runoff from active construction sites, implement all measures to inspect all privately owned post construction structural stormwater management facilities within the city and to develop a program to enforce against the owners of such sites if they neglected stormwater maintenance responsibilities; and, implement an operation and maintenance program at municipal facilities to eliminate pollutant runoff. (June 2013)

Baltimore County, MD  ($47,000 penalty)
- Respondent failed to: (1) maintain appropriate illicit discharge detection and elimination program as required by the MS4 permit, (2) have and implement Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plans at three county facilities covered under the industrial stormwater NPDES general permit, (3) comply with the salt pile provisions of the industrial general permit at one county facility. (May 2013)

City of Hampton, VA  ($62,000 penalty)
- Failed to: (1) perform erosion and sediment control inspections in accordance with state requirements, (2) provide copies of erosion and sediment control inspection reports to construction site contractors and (3) comply with all stormwater related ordinances. (April 2013)

Manor Township, PA  ($40,968 penalty)
- Failing to maintain adequate programs to address pollutants being discharged to its Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4). Failed to: (1) conduct illicit discharge field screening inspections, (2) map stormwater outfalls and (3) implement an operation and maintenance program including training of post construction stormwater Best Management Practices (BMP), among others. (March 2012)
City of Lebanon, PA  ($21,600 penalty)
• Failed to: (1) implement and enforce a program to detect and eliminate illicit discharges into the MS4, (2) implement and enforce a program to reduce pollution in stormwater runoff to the MS4 from construction activities, (3) implement and enforce a program to reduce pollution in stormwater runoff from new development and redevelopment and (4) implement an operation and maintenance program that includes a training program and has the ultimate goal of preventing or reducing pollutant runoff from municipal operations. (March 2012)

City of York, PA  ($22,740 penalty)
• Failed to: (1) implement and enforce a program to detect and eliminate illicit discharges into MS4, (2) implement and enforce a program to reduce pollution in stormwater runoff to the MS4 from construction activities, (3) implement and enforce a program to reduce pollution in stormwater runoff from new development and redevelopment and (4) implement an operation and maintenance program that includes a training program and has the ultimate goal of preventing or reducing pollutant runoff from municipal operations. (March 2012)

Swatara Township, PA  ($43,300 penalty)
• Failed to: (1) implement and enforce a program to detect and eliminate illicit discharges into the MS4, (2) implement and enforce a program to reduce pollution in any stormwater runoff to the MS4 from new development or redevelopment projects and (3) implement an operation and maintenance program that includes a training component. (March 2012)

City of Lancaster, PA  ($6,500 penalty)
• Failed to: (1) remove or correct illicit discharges in the MS4, (2) ensure installation and maintenance of post construction BMP’s and (3) implement an operation and maintenance program (including training) at municipal facilities. (January 2012)

City of Newport News, VA  ($155,000 penalty)
• Failed to: (1) adequately manage private stormwater management facilities, (2) adequately implement the Chesapeake Bay Preservation Act, (3) adequately monitor and control pollutants in stormwater discharges from hazardous waste treatment, storage and disposal facilities, and industrial facilities, (4) adequately reduce the discharge of pollutants transported by stormwater runoff from the MS4, (5) adequately manage stormwater discharges from municipal maintenance yards and (6) adequately manage “other wastes” (e.g., chemicals, vehicle and equipment fluids) at construction sites. (November 2011)

City of Huntington, WV  ($156,000 penalty)
• Failed to: (1) adequately address illicit discharges, (2) adequately address runoff from construction sites, (3) adequately address post construction stormwater runoff and (4) adequately address pollution from municipal operations. (November 2011)
Chesterfield County, VA  ($131,000 penalty)
  • Failed to: (1) effectively prohibit non-stormwater discharges into the MS4, (2) implement the industrial inspection procedures outlined in its stormwater management program (SWMP), (3) provide adequate support capabilities to implement all parts of the SWMP, (4) reduce pollutants discharged from the MS4 to the maximum extent practicable, (5) implement and maintain structural BMP to reduce pollutants in stormwater runoff from construction sites and (6) operate in accordance with the Chesterfield County Erosion and Sedimentation Control Ordinance. (May 2011)

City of Baltimore, MD  ($90,000 penalty)
  • Failed to: (1) develop and implement written maintenance inspection procedures, (2) eliminate illicit connections and sanitary discharges, (3) obtain NPDES industrial stormwater permit coverage at City facilities and (4) develop and implement adequate pollution prevention plans. (October 2010)

Harford County, MD  ($75,000 penalty)
  • Failed to: (1) provide relevant information from preventative maintenance inspections, (2) properly address illicit discharges, illegal dumping and spills and (3) submit a notice of intent for all County-owned facilities that require NPDES stormwater general permit coverage. (October 2010)

Anne Arundel County, MD  ($83,500 penalty)
  • Failed to: (1) conduct preventative maintenance inspections, (2) use appropriate enforcement procedures and (3) develop and implement adequate pollution prevention plans. (October 2010)