STATE OF MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT WATER MANAGEMENT ADMINISTRATION

NOTICE OF FINAL DETERMINATION TO ISSUE

GENERAL PERMIT FOR DISCHARGES FROM TANKS, PIPES and OTHER LIQUID CONTAINMENT STRUCTURES at FACILITIES OTHER THAN OIL TERMINALS

The Maryland Department of the Environment (Department) proposed to reissue State/National Pollution Discharge Elimination System(NPDES) General Permit for Discharges from Tanks, Pipes and Other Liquid Containment Structures at Facilities other than Oil Terminals, Permit **No. 11HT (NPDES No. MDG67)** to meet federal requirements and to protect water quality. This permit replaces one issued in February 2006.

A public notice on the tentative determination to reissue the discharge permit was published on July 29, 2011 in the Maryland Register and in twenty-three newspapers throughout Maryland during the weeks of August 1st & 8th, 2011. The Department held a public hearing concerning the tentative determination on Wednesday, August 31, 2011 at 10 am in the Aqua Conference Room at the Department, 1800 Washington Blvd, Baltimore, MD 21230, and received comments through October 6, 2011.

The Department has made a final determination to reissue this permit. While no significant changes to the tentative determination have been made regarding the purpose and content, the final disharge permit reflects minor revisions of grammar and organization to provide clarrifications based on comments received during the public comment period. Listed below are revisions included in the Department's final determination:

- -Part II.LL has been corrected to replicate the definition of water per COMAR 26.08.01.01.
- -Part V.F identifies the portions of the permit where monitoring is not required to be submitted to the Department on a discharge monitoring report (DMR) form.
- -Part V.F clarifies that a DMR form shall be submitted for each outfall.
- -Part VI.D includes a statement to address the Civil Monetary Penalty Inflation Adjustment Rule for all monetary penalties identified in the permit.

Any person adversely affected by this final determination may file a petition for judicial review. Petitions for judicial review of a final determination or permit decision subject to judicial review must be filed in accordance with §1-605 of the Environment Article no later than March 10, 2012 (30 days following publication by the Department of this notice of final determination in the Maryland Register), and must be filed in a circuit court in Maryland. Petitions for judicial review must conform to the applicable Maryland Rules of Civil Procedure. Failure to file a petition for judicial review by March 10, 2012 will constitute a waiver of any right to a judicial review of this final determination.

To view and print the final permit, go to the Department's website <u>www.mde.state.md.us</u> and use the search engine keyword "tanks.aspx".

Any questions regarding this final determination, and permit, should be directed to Shannon McDonald or Edward Gertler at the Maryland Department of the Environment, Water Management Administration, at smcdonald@mde.state.md.us or egertler@mde.state.md.us, by telephone at 410- 537-3323 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Persons seeking to review the final permit and associated file may do so by contacting Ms. McDonald to make an appointment. Copies of documents may be obtained at a cost of \$0.36 per page.