



EPA Region 6
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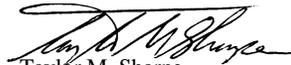


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This post card is being sent to you because you either currently have coverage or had coverage under the NPDES 1992 Baseline Industrial Storm Water General Permit ("Baseline Permit"). EPA Region 6 issued the final NPDES Modification of the Multi-Sector General Permit ("MSGP") and Notification of Termination of the Baseline Permit [63 Fed. Reg. 52429-52577] on September 30, 1998. The Baseline Permit will be terminated on **December 31, 1998**. Facilities with administratively continued coverage under the Baseline Permit **must** re-apply for NPDES permit coverage. Eligible facilities may transition to the existing MSGP by filing a Notice of Intent (NOI) for that permit by **December 29, 1998**. These facilities should submit an NOI application form (EPA Form 3510-6) to obtain coverage under the MSGP. The permit language, the NOI and the Modification are all available on the Region 6 Storm Water web page at <http://www.epa.gov/region6/sw/> or you may request a copy to be mailed to you by phoning (202)260-7786. You may request NOIs by phoning (214)665-7190.

If you have already obtained coverage under the Multi-Sector General Permit, you do not need to reapply for permit coverage. The MSGP is similar to the Baseline Permit in that both permits require a SWPPP. Differences between the two permits are given in Appendix B of the Modifications starting on page 52467. You will need to review the MSGP and the Modifications, and update your SWPPP accordingly. The deadline for updating and implementing the SWPPP is **March 29, 1999**.

Failure to apply will result in your facility being unpermitted and in violation of Section 301 of the Clean Water Act effective on midnight of December 31, 1998. Your cooperation with this NPDES program will help assure that the goals of the Clean Water Act are achieved and that all waters of the United States are fishable and swimmable. If you have any questions, you may phone the Storm Water Hotline at **(800)245-6510**, the Region 6 Water Quality Protection Division at (214)665-7190, or the Region 6 Compliance Assurance and Enforcement Division at (214)665-7112.



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