



**ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT BULLETIN #FY14-003**

**Subject:** Effluent Limitations Guidelines and Standards for the Construction and Development Point Source Category

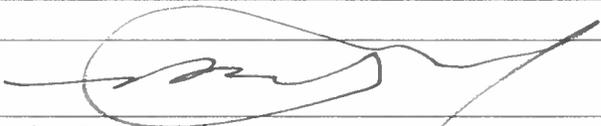
**References:** (a) 79 FR 12661-12667  
(b) 40 CFR Part 450

**Effective:** Immediately

**Cancellation:** Effective until cancelled, suspended, or incorporated in a new publication of the Energy and Environmental Management Manual (E&EMM).

1. Purpose. To notify all Departmental personnel of changed or newly enacted energy or environmental requirements.
2. Background. The Clean Water Act (CWA) establishes the basic structure for regulating discharges of pollutants into the waters of the United States and regulating quality standards for surface waters. The CWA makes it unlawful to discharge any pollutant from a point source (discrete conveyances such as pipes or man-made ditches) into navigable waters, unless a permit is obtained through the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES). Individual homes that are connected to a municipal system, use a septic system, or do not have a surface discharge do not need an NPDES permit; however, industrial, municipal, and other facilities must obtain permits if their discharges go directly to surface waters.

This bulletin covers changes per reference (a) made to the EPA's Construction and Development (C&D) point source effluent limitation guidelines. The EPA's new final rule revises several of the non-numeric discharge limitations and withdraws the numeric discharge standards that were previously part of the C&D rules contained in reference (b). The provisions that remain applicable include requirements to implement erosion and sediment controls, stabilize soils, manage dewatering activities, implement pollution prevention measures, prohibit certain discharges, and utilize surface outlets for discharges from basins and impoundments.

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3. Applicability. Construction activities on construction sites over one acre in size, or less than one acre in size but part of a larger construction project.
4. Requirements. Operating Units undertaking construction or renovation projects are required to obtain an NPDES permit in advance of performing any site work.
5. Responsibilities.

- a. Office of the Secretary:

- (1) The Office of Sustainable Energy and Environmental Programs shall provide technical advice upon request.

- (2) The Office of Space and Building Management shall manage compliance with this requirement at the Herbert C. Hoover Building.

- b. Operating Units:

Operating Units shall manage compliance with this requirement on all construction-related activities.