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To all City of Waterbury Food Preparation Establishments:

On February 11, 2008, the State of Connecticut, Department of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Water Management, reissued a General Permit for the Discharge of Wastewater Associated with Food Preparation Establishments. Types of facilities classified as Food Preparation Establishments (FPE's) shall include but not be limited to restaurants, hotel kitchens, hospital kitchens, school kitchens, bars, factory cafeterias, and clubs.

FPE's that are regulated under this General Permit are establishments that are designated by the Connecticut Department of Public Health as Class III or Class IV Food Preparation Establishments. All establishments within this category must comply by **July 1, 2011** with the criteria specified in the General Permit as it relates to the individual conditions of the establishment (refer to Connecticut General Statutes Section 22a-430b for more details). In general, all new establishments doing business in Connecticut must comply with the permit immediately. In addition, any establishment that operates within an area deemed by the City of Waterbury Water Pollution Control Department (WPC) as a problem area for Fats, Oil & Grease (FOG) must comply immediately with the conditions.

Compliance with the General Permit requires the Food Preparation Establishment to install the proper grease removal equipment to collect and properly dispose of FOG removed from the wastewater prior to discharge to the sanitary sewer system. This includes a minimum of a 1000 gallon under ground grease interceptor or the properly sized Automatic Grease Removal Unit (AGRU) meeting the requirements as specified in the General Permit. A copy of the General Permit is posted on the City's website: [www.waterburyct.org/content/458/670/default.aspx](http://www.waterburyct.org/content/458/670/default.aspx).

Under the proposed Sewer Use Ordinance before the Board of Aldermen, WPC will be the City's entity to enforce the State's requirements under the General Permit. Therefore, all Food Preparation Establishments which generate, and discharge wastewater containing FOG and which require a FOG Pretreatment System, as determined by WPC, shall submit the FOG Permit Application that may be obtain on the website or WPC Office for the installation of a new FOG Pretreatment System or registration of an existing system. The application shall be in accordance


with City of Waterbury's Sewer Use Ordinance. The FOG Pretreatment System shall be installed as soon as practical to allow WPC staff to review, inspect and approve the system prior to July 1, 2011.

If you have questions or are in need of additional information regarding compliance with these FOG regulations, please contact:

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Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

Sincerely,

  
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