

May 31, 2007


Honorable Sara Kyle
Chairman
Tennessee Regulatory Authority
460 James Robertson Parkway
Nashville, TN 37243-0505

Re: Docket # 05-00162 – Fentress Service Area TDEC State Operating Permit

Dear Chairman Kyle:

As required in the TRA Rules – Docket 05-00162 dated March 29, 2006, Tennessee Wastewater Systems is providing a copy of the State of Tennessee Department of Environment operating permit for Fentress Service Area (attached). If you have any questions regarding this permit, please give me a call.

Sincerely,



Charles Pickney, Jr.
President



STATE OF TENNESSEE
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION
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NASHVILLE TN 37243-1534

November 27, 2002

Mr. Michael Hines M.S., P.E.
Vice President
On-Site Systems, Inc. - The Highlands
1920 Breezy Ridge Trail
Concord, TN 37922

**Re: State Permit No. SOP-02049
On-Site Systems, Inc. - The Highlands
Gatlinburg, Sevier County, Tennessee**


Dear Mr. Hines:

In accordance with the provisions of the "Tennessee Water Quality Control Act" (Tennessee Code Annotated Sections 69-3-101 through 69-3-120) the enclosed State Permit is hereby issued by the Division of Water Pollution Control. The continuance and/or reissuance of this Permit is contingent upon your meeting the conditions and requirements as stated therein.

Please be advised that you have the right to appeal any of the provisions established in this State Permit, in accordance with Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 69-3-110, and the General Regulations of the Tennessee Water Quality Control Board. If you elect to appeal, you should file a petition within thirty (30) days of the receipt of this permit.

If you have questions, please contact the Division of Water Pollution Control at your local Environmental Assistance Center at 1-888-891-TDEC; or, at this office, please contact Mr. Hari Akunuri at (615) 532-0650 or by E-mail at Hari.Akunuri@state.tn.us.

Sincerely,

Robert L. Haley 
for

Saya Ann Qualls, P.E.
Manager, Permit Section
Division of Water Pollution Control

SOP-02049
P/WAT/SS

Enclosure

cc: Division of Water Pollution Control, Permit Section
Division of Water Pollution Control, Environmental Assistance Center - Knoxville

PART I

A. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

The treatment system shall be monitored by the permittee as specified below:

<u>Parameter</u>	<u>Sample Type</u>	<u>Daily Maximum</u>	<u>Sampling Point</u>	<u>Measurement Frequency</u>
Flow	instantaneous		*	1/quarter
BOD ₅	grab	45 mg/l	*	1/quarter
Ammonia as N	grab	Report	*	1/quarter

* Effluent to the drip irrigation plots.

The drip fields must be fenced. A minimum chain link or 4' woven wire fence must be used.

Sludge or any other material removed by any treatment works must be disposed of in a manner which prevents its entrance into or pollution of any surface or subsurface waters. Additionally, the disposal of such sludge or other material must be in compliance with the Tennessee Solid Waste Disposal Act, TCA 68-31-101 et seq. and Tennessee Hazardous Waste Management Act, TCA 68-46-101 et seq.

This permit allows the operation of a wastewater drip irrigation system. The operation should be such that there is no contamination of and no wastewater discharge to any surface or subsurface stream because of collected pools of water called "ponding" or because of improper irrigation. Any runoff due to improper operation must be reported in writing to the Division of Water Pollution Control, Environmental Assistance Center - Knoxville within 5 days of the incident. In addition, the drip irrigation system must be operated in a manner preventing the creation of a public health hazard or a public/private nuisance.

B. MONITORING PROCEDURES

1. Representative Sampling

Samples and measurements taken in compliance with the monitoring requirements specified above shall be representative of the volume and nature of the monitored discharge, and shall be taken at the following location(s):

Effluent to drip irrigation plots.

PART II

A. GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. Duty to Reapply

The permittee is not authorized to discharge after the expiration date of this permit. In order to receive authorization to discharge beyond the expiration date, the permittee shall submit such information and forms as are required to the Director of Water Pollution Control (the "Director") no later than 180 days prior to the expiration date.

2. Right of Entry

The permittee shall allow the Director, or authorized representatives, upon the presentation of credentials:

- a. To enter upon the permittee's premises where an effluent source is located or where records are required to be kept under the terms and conditions of this permit, and at reasonable times to copy these records;
- b. To inspect at reasonable times any monitoring equipment or method or any collection, treatment, pollution management, or discharge facilities required under this permit; and
- c. To sample at reasonable times any discharge of pollutants.

3. Availability of Reports

All reports prepared in accordance with the terms of this permit shall be available for public inspection at the offices of the Division of Water Pollution Control.

4. Proper Operation and Maintenance

- a. The permittee shall at all times properly operate and maintain all facilities and systems (and related appurtenances) for collection and treatment which are installed or used by the permittee to achieve compliance with the terms and conditions of this permit. Proper operation and maintenance also includes adequate laboratory and process controls and appropriate quality assurance procedures. This provision requires the operation of backup or auxiliary facilities or similar systems which are installed by a permittee only when the operation is necessary to achieve compliance with the conditions of the permit. Backup continuous pH and flow monitoring equipment are not required.

The monitoring frequency stated in this permit shall not be construed as specifying a minimum level of operator attention to the facility. The permittee shall ensure that the certified operator is in responsible charge of the facility and observes the operation of the system frequently enough to ensure its proper operation and maintenance regardless of the effluent monitoring frequency stated in the permit."

- b. Dilution water shall not be added to comply with effluent requirements

5. Property Rights

4. Change of Mailing Address

The permittee shall promptly provide to the Director written notice of any change of mailing address. In the absence of such notice the original address of the permittee will be assumed to be correct.

C. NONCOMPLIANCE

1. Effect of Noncompliance

Any permit noncompliance constitutes a violation of applicable State laws and is grounds for enforcement action, permit termination, permit modification, or denial of permit reissuance.

2. Reporting of Noncompliance

a. 24-Hour Reporting

In the case of any noncompliance which could cause a threat to public drinking supplies, or any other discharge which could constitute a threat to human health or the environment, the required notice of non-compliance shall be provided to the appropriate Division environmental assistance center within 24 hours from the time the permittee becomes aware of the circumstances. (The environmental assistance center should be contacted for names and phone numbers of emergency response personnel.)

A written submission must be provided within five days of the time the permittee becomes aware of the circumstances unless this requirement is waived by the Director on a case-by-case basis. The permittee shall provide the Director with the following information:

- i. A description of the discharge and cause of noncompliance;
- ii. The period of noncompliance, including exact dates and times or, if not corrected, the anticipated time the noncompliance is expected to continue; and
- iii. The steps being taken to reduce, eliminate, and prevent recurrence of the non complying discharge.

b. Scheduled Reporting

For instances of noncompliance which are not reported under subparagraph 2.a. above, the permittee shall report the noncompliance on the Monthly Operation Report. The report shall contain all information concerning the steps taken, or planned, to reduce, eliminate, and prevent recurrence of the violation and the anticipated time the violation is expected to continue.

D. LIABILITIES

1. Civil and Criminal Liability

Nothing in this permit shall be construed to relieve the permittee from civil or criminal penalties for noncompliance. Notwithstanding this permit, the permittee shall remain

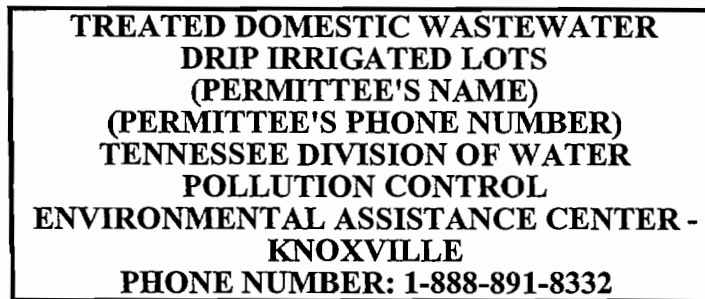
PART III OTHER REQUIREMENTS

A. CERTIFIED OPERATOR

The waste treatment facilities shall be operated under the supervision of a Biological natural system operator and the collection system operated under the supervision of a Grade I Collection System certified operator in accordance with the Water Environmental Health Act of 1984.

B. PLACEMENT OF SIGNS

The permittee shall place a sign at all approaches to the drip irrigation lot. The sign should be clearly visible to the public. The minimum sign size should be two feet by two feet (2' x 2') with one inch (1") letters. The sign should be made of durable material and have a white background with black letters.



No later than sixty (60) days from the effective date of the permit, the permittee shall have the above sign(s) on display in the location specified.

C. ADDITION OF WASTE LOADS

The permittee may not add wasteloads to the existing treatment system without the knowledge and approval of the Division.

D. SEPTIC TANK OPERATION

The proper operation of this treatment system depends, largely, on the efficient use of the septic tank. The solids that accumulate in the tank shall be removed at a frequency that is sufficient to insure that the treatment plant will comply with the discharge requirements of this permit.

E. SEPTAGE MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

The permittee must comply with the provisions of 40 CFR Part 503. If the septage is transported to another POTW for disposal, the permittee shall note the amount of septage wasted in gallons, % solids of septage wasted and the name of the facility to which the septage was taken on the monthly operation report.