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BEFORE THE ADMINISTRATOR

IN THE MATTER OF)
•	Docket No. CWA-07-2009-0025
Nebraska By-Products, Inc.,) FINDINGS OF VIOLATION) AND ORDER FOR COMPLIANCE
Respondent.	
Proceeding under Section 309(a)(3) of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1319(a)(3))))
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I. STATUTORY AUTHORITY

- 1. The FINDINGS OF VIOLATION are made and ORDER FOR COMPLIANCE ("Order") is issued pursuant to the authority vested in the Administrator of the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA"), by Section 309(a)(3) of the Clean Water Act ("CWA" or the "Act"), 33 U.S.C. § 1319(a)(3). As an element of this Order, provision of information is required pursuant to the authority of Section 308 of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. § 1318. These authorities have been delegated by the Administrator to the Regional Administrator, EPA Region 7, and further delegated to the Director, Water, Wetlands and Pesticides Division, EPA Region 7.
- 2. Section 301(a) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1311(a), prohibits discharge of pollutants from a point source into navigable waters of the United States, except in compliance with, inter alia, Section 307 of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1317, and a permit issued pursuant to Section 402 of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1342. Section 402 provides that pollutants may be discharged into navigable waters of the United States only in accordance with the terms of a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ("NPDES") permit issued pursuant to that section. Section 307 provides for the promulgation of regulations establishing pretreatment standards for introduction of pollutants into publicly owned treatment works ("POTW").
- 3. Pursuant to Section 307(b) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1317(b), EPA promulgated regulations at 40 C.F.R. Part 403 establishing the General Pretreatment Regulations. These regulations are designed to control the introduction of pollutants into POTWs which may pass through or interfere with the treatment processes of such treatment works or which may contaminate sewage sludge.

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- 4. The General Pretreatment Regulations at 40 C.F.R. § 403.3(i) and (n) set forth definitions for interference and pass through, respectively. Specifically:
 - a. "Interference" is defined, in pertinent part, as a discharge of pollutants, which alone or in conjunction with other sources, inhibits or disrupts the treatment processes or operations of a POTW, and which therefore is a cause of a violation of any requirement of a POTW's NPDES permit; and
 - b. "Pass through" is defined, in pertinent part, as a discharge of pollutants which exits a POTW into waters of the United States in quantities or concentrations which, alone or in conjunction with other sources, is a cause of a violation of any requirement of a POTW's NPDES permit.
- 5. Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 403.5(a), users are prohibited from introducing pollutants into a POTW which result in the "pass through" of pollutants through the POTW, or "interference" with the operations of the POTW.
- 6. The Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality ("NDEQ") is the state agency with the authority to administer the federal NPDES and Pretreatment programs in Nebraska pursuant to Sections 307 and 402 of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. §§ 1317 and 1342, and the implementing regulations. EPA retains concurrent enforcement authority with authorized state NPDES and Pretreatment programs under Section 309 of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. § 1319.

II. General Factual Allegations

- 7. Nebraska By-Products, Inc. ("Respondent"), is a "person" within the meaning of Section 502(5) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1362(5), incorporated in the state of Nebraska, and registered to do business in the state of Nebraska.
- 8. At all times relevant, Respondent was, and still is, the owner and/or operator of a beef rendering facility located at 1208 East Walnut, Lexington, Nebraska 68850 (the "facility").
- 9. The City of Lexington, Nebraska (hereafter "City") owns and operates a POTW in Dawson County, Nebraska. The City's POTW includes a wastewater treatment plant ("WWTP") and sewage collection system, which receive wastewater from various domestic and non-domestic sources, including wastewater discharged from Respondent's facility.
- 10. The City's POTW is a "point source" that "discharges pollutants" into Spring Creek, a tributary of the Platte River, as these terms are defined by Section 502(14) and (12) of the CWA, respectively, 33 U.S.C. § 1362(14) and (12).
- 11. Spring Creek and the Platte River are considered "navigable waters" of the United States, as defined by Section 502(7) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. § 1362(7).
- 12. On or about October 1, 2004, NDEQ issued the City NPDES permit number NE0042668 pursuant to Section 402 of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1342.

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- 13. The City's NPDES Permit contains limitations for discharges of effluent from the City's POTW to Spring Creek, a tributary of the Platte River. The City's NPDES Permit contains POTW discharge limits for, among other pollutants, Carbonaceous Biological Oxygen Demand ("CBOD"), Ammonia as Nitrogen ("NH₃"), Whole Effluent Toxicity ("WET"), fecal coliform bacteria, oil and grease and Total Suspended Solids ("TSS").
- 14. Respondent discharges process wastewater from the facility into the City's POTW, and therefore is an "industrial user," as defined by 40 C.F.R. § 403.3(h).
- 15. Respondent's process wastewater contains "pollutants" as defined by Section 502(6) of the CWA, including, but not limited to, CBOD, NH₃, temperature, oil and grease, and TSS.
- 16. On or about March 6, 2008, the NDEQ issued the Respondent the Nebraska Pretreatment Program ("NPP") permit number NE0114413 pursuant to provisions of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. § 1317. Respondent's NPP Permit contains discharge limits for, among other pollutants, NH₃, Biochemical Oxygen Demand ("BOD"), oil and grease, and TSS. This is the first NPP Permit issued to Respondent.
- 17. Respondent is subject to the General Pretreatment Regulations at 40 C.F.R. Part 403.
- 18. On or about February 26-28, 2008, EPA performed an inspection of the City's POTW ("the February 2008 inspection") and the City's industrial users, Respondent and Cornhusker Energy Lexington.

III. Findings of Violation

19. The facts stated in Paragraphs 7 through 18, above, are hereby incorporated by reference.

Pretreatment Effluent Limit Violations

- 20. Part I. C. of Respondent's NPP permit establishes the weekly average for NH₃ at 95 kilograms per day ("kg/d") and a daily maximum value for NH₃ of 200 kg/d.
- 21. The EPA inspection referenced in Paragraph 18 above, documented that Respondent had violated the effluent limitations for NH₃ of Respondent's NPP permit.
- 22. A review of the Discharge Monitoring Reports ("DMRs") and effluent sampling by the City, revealed that Respondent's discharge exceeded the weekly average effluent limitation for NH₃ on thirty-six instances from April 2008 until January 2009 and March 2009.

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- 23. A review of the DMRs and effluent sampling by the City, revealed that Respondent's discharge exceeded the daily maximum value effluent limitation for NH₃ on twenty-five instances from April 2008 to March 2009.
- 24. Part I. C of Respondent's NPP permit establishes the weekly average of 995 kg/d and a daily maximum of 1420 kg/d value for BOD.
- 25. The EPA inspection referenced in Paragraph 18 above, documented that Respondent had violated the effluent limitations for BOD of Respondent's NPP permit.
- 26. EPA's review of Respondent's DMRs revealed that Respondent's discharge exceeded the weekly average effluent limitation for BOD on eight instances from April through October 2008 and January 2009.
- 27. EPA's review of the Respondent's DMRs revealed that Respondent's discharge exceeded the daily maximum effluent limitation for BOD on seven instances from April through October 2008 and January 2009.
- 28. Part I. C of Respondent's NPP permit establishes the weekly average of 948 kg/d and a daily maximum value of 1895 kg/d for TSS.
- 29. The EPA inspection referenced in Paragraph 18 above, documented that Respondent had violated the effluent limitations for TSS of Respondent's NPP permit.
- 30. EPA's review of Respondent's DMRs revealed that Respondent's discharge exceeded the daily maximum effluent limitation for TSS in September 2008.
- 31. Respondent's discharges of NH₃, BOD, and TSS in excess of the permitted limits are violations of the Respondent's NPP Permit and the General Pretreatment Regulations at 40 C.F.R. § 403, and as such are violations of Sections 301(a) and 307(d) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. §§ 1311(a) and 1317(d).

Interference and Pass Through Violations Ammonia as Nitrogen (NH₃) Carbonaceous Biochemical Oxygen Demand (CBOD) and Total Suspended Solids (TSS)

- 32. Based on observations documented during the EPA inspection referenced in Paragraph 18 above, and upon review of records submitted by the City, EPA finds that Respondent discharged NH₃ in excess of the design capacity of the City's POTW, as identified in the Preliminary Engineering Report, drafted by Miller and Associates, dated November 25, 2002.
- 33. The Preliminary Report indicates that the maximum allowable discharge for NH₃ from Respondent's facility to the POTW, to avoid overloading of the POTW, is 270 pounds per day (lbs/d), or 122 kilograms per day (kg/d).

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34. The following table presents the days and months that the City violated its NPDES permit limits for NH₃ and the corresponding discharges from Respondent that exceeded the POTW's available capacity for Respondent's discharge. Each incidence constitutes interference and/or pass through caused or contributed to by Respondent's discharge of NH₃.

City of Lexington Ammonia (NH₃) Interference/Pass Through

Daily Maximum		City NPDES Permit Violations				NBP* discharges	
Date 21,47 mg/l 118.81 kg/d 10.7 mg/l 59.22 kg/d 122 kg/d 1/15/2008 46 236.5 30.66 154.9 127 1/15/2008 46 236.5 156 206 Limits: Mar I thru May 31 206 206 206 3/4/2008 35.7 171.9 23.71 kg/d 201 3/4/2008 35.7 171.9 250 3/11/2008 11.31 56.3 156 3/18/2008 9.92 50.8 167 3/25/2008 11.18 231 4/8/2008 9.97 275 275 4/15/2008 8.43 218 4/15/2008 8.43 218 May 2008 16.49 93.57 272 5/6/2008 14.37 310 5/13/2008 10.11 309 Limits: Jun 1 thru Oct 31 3.65 mg/l 21.54 kg/d 1.82 mg/l 10.74 kg/d 3.65 mg/l 21.54 kg/d		Daily M	laximum	Monthly	Average -	•	
Date 21.47 mg/l 118.81 kg/d 10.7 mg/l 59.22 kg/d 122 kg/d			Limits: Nov 1 t	hru Feb 29		Design	
1/15/2008	Date	21.47 mg/l			59.22 kg/d	122 kg/d	
1/29/2008 27.9 140.2 206			January 2008	30.66	154.9	127	
1/29/2008 27.9 140.2 206	1/15/2008	46	236,5			156	
8.39 mg/l		27.9	140,2			206	
March 2008 17.03 81.6 201			Limits: Mar 1 t	bru May 31	8		
3/4/2008 35.7 171.9 250		8.39 mg/l 47.56 kg/d		4.18 mg/l 23.71 kg/d			
3/11/2008 11.31 56.3 156			March 2008	17.03	81.6	201	
3/18/2008 9.92 50.8 167	3/4/2008	35.7	171.9			250	
April 2008 13.08 64.63 192	3/11/2008	11.31	56,3	<u></u>		156 -	
April 2008	3/18/2008	9.92	50,8			167	
4/8/2008 9.97 275 4/15/2008 8.43 218 May 2008 16.49 93.57 272 5/6/2008 14.37 310 5/13/2008 10.11 309 Limits: Jun 1 thru Oct 31 3.65 mg/l 21.54 kg/d 1.82 mg/l 10.74 kg/d June 2008 7.5 54.44 447 6/3/2008 7.23 59.09 349 6/10/2008 4.63 33.66 401 6/17/2003 14.58 100.47 566 6/24/2008 3.56 54.16 474	3/25/2008	11.18				231	
A/15/2008 8.43 218			April 2008	13.08	64.63	192	
May 2008 16.49 93.57 272	4/8/2008	9.97				275	
5/6/2008 14.37 310 5/13/2008 10.11 309 Limits: Jun 1 thru Oct 31 3.65 mg/t 21.54 kg/d 1.82 mg/l 10.74 kg/d June 2008 7.5 54.44 447 6/3/2008 7.23 59.09 349 6/10/2008 4.63 33.66 401 6/17/2008 14.58 100.47 566 6/24/2008 3.56 54.16 474	4/15/2008	8,43				218	
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Limits: Jun 1 thru Oct 31	5/6/2008	14.37				310	
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6/10/2008 4.63 33.66 401 6/17/2008 14.58 100.47 566 6/24/2008 3.56 54.16 474			June 2008	7.5	54,44	447	
6/17/2008 14.58 100.47 566 6/24/2008 3.56 54.16 474	6/3/2008	7.23	59.09		1	349	
6/24/2008 3.56 54.16 474	6/10/2008	4.63	33.66			401	
0/2/12/00	6/17/2008	14,58	100,47			566	
Lulo 2008 4 99 33 34 436	6/24/2008	3.56	54.16			474	
July 2000 1.22 22.21 120			July 2008	4.99	33.34	436	
7/1/2008 7.05 392	7/1/2008	7.05				392	
7/8/2008 23.11 403	7/8/2008		23.11			403	
7/15/2008 6,13 42,26 402	7/15/2008	6,13	42,26			402	
7/22/2008 3.98 23.33 510	7/22/2008	3,98	23.33			510	
7/29/2008 4.37 28.86 470	7/29/2008	4.37	28.86			470	
August 2008 17.883 103.12 429			August 2008	17.883	103.12	429	
8/5/2008 14.43 89.89 538	8/5/2008	14,43	T			538	
. 8/12/2008 5.18 33.93 431	. 8/12/2008	5.18	33.93			431	
8/19/2008 7.02 41.53 267		7.02	41.53			267	
8/27/2008 44.9 247.12 482	8/27/2008	44.9	247.12			482	
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- * NBP = Nebraska By-Products
- 35. Based on observations documented during the EPA inspection referenced in Paragraph 18 above, and upon review of records submitted by the City, EPA finds that Respondent discharged CBOD in excess of the design capacity of the pretreatment system as identified in the Preliminary Engineering Report, drafted by Miller and Associates, dated November 25, 2002.
- 36. The Preliminary Engineering Report indicates that the maximum allowable discharge for CBOD from Nebraska By-Products, in order to prevent overloading of the POTW, is 2304 pounds per day ("lb/d") or 1044 kg/d.

37. The following table presents the days and months that the City violated its NPDES permit limits for CBOD, and the corresponding discharges from Respondent that exceeded the POTW's available capacity for Respondent's discharge. Each incidence constitutes interference and/or pass through caused or contributed to by Respondent's discharge of CBOD.

City of Lexington CBOD Interference/Pass Through

	City	/ NPDES Perm	NBP Design		
	Weekly Average		age Monthly Average		Allowance
Date	40 mg/l	251,75 kg/d 25 mg/l 142,98 kg/d	1044 kg/d*		
		May 2006	41.31	190.82	2012
5/16/2006	139.57	579.8			1653
		June 2006	32.52	173,73	3669
6/13/2006	87.39	481.5			619
		August 2006	37.67	201.26	1882
8/1/2006	96.21	545.87			250
		September 2006	39.45	187,98	104

^{*} based on CBOD loading of 2304 lbs/d

- 38. Based on observations documented during the EPA inspection referenced in Paragraph 18 above, and upon review of records submitted by the City, EPA finds that Respondent discharged TSS in excess of the design capacity of the pretreatment system as identified in the Preliminary Engineering Report, drafted by Miller and Associates, dated November 25, 2002.
- 39. The Preliminary Engineering Report indicates that the maximum allowable discharge for TSS from Respondent, in order to prevent overloading to the POTW, is 2025 lb/d or 917 kg/d.
- 40. The following table presents the days and months that the City violated its NPDES permit limits for TSS and the corresponding discharges from Respondent that exceeded the POTW's available capacity for Respondent's discharge. Each incidence constitutes interference and/or pass through caused or contributed to by Respondent's discharge of TSS.

City of Lexington TSS Interference/Pass Through

	City NPDES Permit Violations				NBP Design	
	Weekl	y Average	Month	ly Average	Allowance	:
Date	45 mg/l	283,22 kg/d	30 mg/i	171.57 kg/d	917 kg/d	
		June 2006	40.75	214.91		2312
6/13/2006	70	385.8				3847

41. The occasions of pass through and/or interference by Respondent, as described above, are violations of the Respondent's NPP Permit and the General Pretreatment Regulations

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at 40 C.F.R. § 403.5(a)(1), and as such are violations of Sections 301(a) and 307(d) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. §§ 1311(a) and 1317(d).

Interference - Operation and Maintenance

- 42. Part III, Section A of Respondent's NPP Permit, Prohibited Discharge Standards, states the pollutants introduced into the POTW by the permittee shall not inhibit, pass through, or interfere with the operation or performance of the POTW.
- 43. Based on observations documented during the EPA inspection referenced in Paragraph 18 above, Respondent's discharge of animal hair and oil and grease disrupted the process at the City's WWTP.
- 44. Specifically, heavy loadings of animal hair and oil and grease in Respondent's effluent interfered with the functioning of the POTW's biotowers and resulted in the plugging of the heat exchangers and impact to the expanded granular sludge bed (EGSB) towers, prohibiting optimum temperature levels for efficient treatment.
- 45. This interference resulted in the POTW diverting Respondent's effluent from portions of the POTW's pretreatment system, preventing the full treatment of Respondent's discharge to the POTW.
- 46. Respondent's interference with the POTW resulted in NH₃ NPDES permit violations for the City from January through August 2008 and February 2009, and oil and grease violations in January and February 2008.
- 47. Respondent, as a discharger to the POTW, alone or in conjunction with other industrial users, caused or contributed to the pass through of pollutants and/or interference of the POTW's treatment processes and operations.
- 48. The occasions of pass through and/or interference by Respondent, as described above, are violations of the Respondent's NPP Permit and the General Pretreatment Regulations at 40 C.F.R. § 403.5(a)(1), and as such are violations of Sections 301(a) and 307(d) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. §§ 1311(a) and 1317(d).

Failure to Comply with Sampling Requirements

- 49. Part II, Section A of Respondent's NPP permit states that all discharges shall be monitored according to the limitations and requirements in Table 1 of Part II, Section A of Respondent's NPP permit for the following parameters; BOD, NH₃, oil and grease, and TSS.
- 50. The EPA inspection referenced in Paragraph 18 above, revealed that Respondent did not sample for all parameters listed in Table 1, Part II, Section A of Respondent's NPP permit.

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- 51. Specifically, Respondent did not sample for oil and grease, as required by Respondent's NPP Permit.
- 52. Respondent's failures to sample for oil and grease are violations of the Respondent's NPP Permit and the General Pretreatment Regulations at 40 C.F.R. § 403, and as such are violations of Sections 301(a) and 307(d) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. §§ 1311(a) and 1317(d).

Failure to Comply with Reporting Requirements

- 53. Part III, Section D of Respondent's NPP permit contains requirements for submitting DMRs and non-compliance reports to NDEQ and to the City's POTW. Appendix A, Part D of Respondent's NPP permit requires that Respondent report to the permitting authority within 24 hours by phone and/or within five (5) days in writing after becoming aware of noncompliance with permit conditions.
- 54. The EPA inspection referenced in Paragraph 18 above revealed that Respondent failed to submit DMRs and report noncompliance to NDEQ and City's POTW as required by Part III, Section D and Appendix A, Part D of Respondent's NPP permit.
- 55. Respondent's failures to submit DMRs and report noncompliance to NDEQ are violations of the Respondent's NPP Permit and the General Pretreatment Regulations at 40 C.F.R. § 403, and as such are violations of Sections 301(a) and 307(d) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. §§ 1311(a) and 1317(d).

IV. Order for Compliance

- 56. Based on the foregoing Findings of Violation, and pursuant to the authority of Section 309(a)(3) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1319(a)(3) and Section 308 of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1318, Respondent is hereby ORDERED AS FOLLOWS:
- 57. Within thirty (30) calendar days of receipt of this Order, Respondent shall provide EPA with a written Compliance Plan, for EPA's review and approval, describing in detail how Respondent will no longer be in violation of Respondent's NPP Permit and no longer cause pass through and/or interference at the POTW, as described in the Findings of Violation noted herein, and come into compliance with 40 C.F.R. Part 403 and Respondent's NPP Permit. At a minimum, the proposal shall include:
 - a. A description of any process changes and/or production reductions Respondent proposes to undertake at the facility to reduce loadings in the wastewater discharged to the POTW;
 - b. A description of wastewater treatment modifications Respondent proposes to undertake at the facility to reduce loadings in the wastewater discharged to the POTW;

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- c. A schedule for implementation of the proposed action(s); and
- d. Submission of cost information relating to any proposed action.
- 58. Within thirty (30) days of receipt of this Order, Respondent shall provide EPA with the following information:
 - a. With regard to the *production process(es)* at the Nebraska By-Products Facility located in Lexington, Nebraska, provide the following information regarding the processes and production lines operated at the facility:
 - A detailed description of production lines and production levels at the Nebraska By-Products facility, including a description of changes in production levels from 2006 until the present;
 - ii. For the production described in question 58(a)(i), above, provide a description of the method of disposal for materials disposed of in the rendering process, the amount of materials disposed in the rendering process, and the frequency of the disposal; and
 - iii. For the production described in question 58(a)(i), above, specify the average and peak volumes of wastewater generated, if any, from such process.
 - b. With regard to the *wastewater treatment process(es)* from 2006 until the present at the Nebraska By-Products facility in Lexington, Nebraska, provide:
 - i. Information regarding all wastewater treatment agreements from local or state agencies regarding wastewater processes for Nebraska By-Products including, but not limited to:
 - I. Treatment agreements, permits, orders, contracts or other documents regarding conditions, limitations, or other requirements on current or planned wastewater processes;
 - II. Notices or other correspondence from local or state agencies regarding non-compliance with the terms of any wastewater agreement, permit, order or contract for the Nebraska By-Products facility;
 - III. All records, memoranda or other documents discussing, describing or otherwise pertaining to any non-compliance by Nebraska By-Products with the applicable permit, agreement, order, or other discharge condition or limitation; and

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- ii. Numeric information regarding average daily flow and all regulated pollutants in the wastewater from the Nebraska By-Products facility to the City's wastewater treatment works.
- iii. All records, including but not limited to: memoranda, letters, meeting notes, notices of violation, or other documents pertaining to the effect any discharge from Nebraska By-Products has had, or is having, on the City's wastewater treatment plant, the City's ability to treat wastewater from Nebraska By-Products, or the City's discharge following treatment.
- v. All records, including but not limited to: memoranda, letters, meeting notes, engineering studies or reports that discuss, propose or evaluate, the disposal or treatment of any wastewater or waste stream generated by Nebraska By-Products including, but not limited to, the pretreatment system located on site or at the POTW.
- vi. Information regarding fees paid by Nebraska By-Products to the City of Lexington, including but not limited to, amount of fees, date of fees, reason for the fee assessment, and information regarding general fee payment agreements between Nebraska By-Products and the City of Lexington.
- c. With regard to Nebraska By-Products *sampling* of its effluent, as required by Nebraska By-Products NPP Permit, provide:
 - i. Within fourteen (14) calendar days of receipt of this Order, Respondent shall provide EPA and NDEQ with a written Sampling Plan, for EPA's review and approval, for reporting the daily representative sampling of Respondent's discharge to the POTW.
 - ii. This daily sampling will include the parameters oil and grease, temperature, BOD, TSS, NH₃, pH and flow.
 - iii. Samples shall be collected at Respondent's Outfall 001, as identified in Respondent's NPP Permit No. NE0114413.
 - iv. Daily sampling for the Parameters listed in 58(c)ii will begin upon receipt of this Order and continue until otherwise notified by EPA.
- 59. All documents required for submittal to EPA shall be hand delivered or sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the following:

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Mr. Robert Bryant
Water Enforcement Branch
Water, Wetlands and Pesticides Division
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
901 North 5th Street
Kansas City, Kansas 66101.

60. All documents required for submittal to NDEQ shall be hand delivered or sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the following:

Mr. Steven Goans
Wastewater Section
Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality
Suite 400, The Atrium
1200 "N" Street
P.O. Box 98922
Lincoln, Nebraska 68509-8922.

V. General Provisions

Effect of Compliance with the Terms of This Order for Compliance

- 61. Compliance with the terms of this Order shall not relieve Respondent of liability for, or preclude EPA from initiating, an enforcement action to recover penalties for any violations of the CWA, or to seek additional injunctive relief, pursuant to Section 309 of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. § 1319.
- 62. Respondent shall comply with all other applicable laws, regulations, standards, and requirements contained in any applicable local, state and Federal pretreatment laws, regulations, standards, and requirements including any such laws, regulations, standards, or requirements that may become effective during the term of this Order.
- 63. This Order does not constitute a waiver or a modification of any requirements of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. § 1251 et. seq., all of which remain in full force and effect. EPA retains the right to seek any and all remedies available under Section 309 of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1319, for any violation cited in this Order. Issuance of this Order shall not be deemed an election by EPA to forgo any civil or criminal action to seek penalties, fines, or other appropriate relief under the Act for any violation whatsoever.

Access and Requests for Information

64. Nothing in this Order shall limit EPA's right to obtain access to, and/or to inspect Respondent's facility, and/or to request additional information from Respondent, pursuant to the authority of Section 308 of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. § 1318 and/or any other authority.

Severability

65. If any provision or authority of this Order, or the application of this Order to Respondent, is held by federal judicial authority to be invalid, the application to Respondent of the remainder of this Order shall remain in full force and effect and shall not be affected by such a holding.

Effective Date

66. The terms of this Order shall be effective and enforceable against Respondent upon its receipt of an executed copy of the Order.

Termination

67. This Order shall remain in effect until a written notice of termination is issued by an authorized representative of the EPA. Such notice shall not be given until all of the requirements of this Order have been met.

Issued this 28th day of July, 2009.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on the date noted below I hand delivered the original and one true copy of this Findings of Violation and Order for Compliance to the Regional Hearing Clerk, United States Environmental Protection Agency, 901 North 5th Street, Kansas City, Kansas 66101.

I further certify that on the date noted below I sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, a true and correct copy of the signed original Findings of Violation and Order for Compliance to:

Mr. Leon Johnson, Owner Nebraska By-Products, Inc. 1208 East Walnut Lexington, Nebraska 68850

Mr. Steven Goans
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