

**MADISON METROPOLITAN SEWERAGE DISTRICT  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
ON AMENDMENTS TO ITS SEWER USE ORDINANCE**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:** The Madison Metropolitan Sewerage District (District) shall hold a public hearing on amendments to its sewer use ordinance on Thursday, June 25, 2015 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. in the first floor Multipurpose Room in the Administration Building of the District Offices, located at 1610 Moorland Road, Madison, WI 53713.

**DRAFT ORDINANCE:** A complete copy of the draft sewer use ordinance (SUO) can be obtained on line at [www.madsewer.org](http://www.madsewer.org).

**WRITTEN COMMENTS:** The District will also accept written comments on the draft SUO. Written comments must be submitted to attention of David Taylor at the address shown below and must be received no later than 3:00 p.m. on June 25, 2015.

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**SUMMARY OF PROPOSAL:** The District is authorized to adopt rules under the authority of Wis. Stat. § 200.11(1)(d). Pursuant to that authority, it previously enacted a SUO, the last major revision of which occurred in 2010. This amendment is proposed to respond to various changes in the federal and state pretreatment program and other recent state law changes. In addition, it is designed to do the following:

- Streamline and provide a clear organizational structure of the ordinance
- Clarify and strengthen the rights and obligations of community customers
- Provide the District with greater flexibility to regulate pollutants coming into the plant from non-industrial sources
- Clarify the obligations of significant industrial users

Major changes by Chapter include the following:

**Chapter 3 Territory of the District**

- A new section was added describing the territory of the district.
- The annexation process was clarified for original communities.
- Annexation costs were clarified and distinguished from connection charges.

#### **Chapter 4 Construction and Operation of Community Sewers**

- Clarifies the process and requirements for technical approval of community sewers.
- Clarifies the process for approval of *connections* to community sewers and connections to district sewers by customer communities.
- Revises the existing provisions related to District approval of Direct Connections to District Interceptors.
- Notes the need to pay connection charges and provides for additional fees or penalties for delinquent payments.
- Provides a more comprehensive and integrated section on prohibited connections as well as mandatory connections.
- Creates a new section for the *maintenance* of community sewers in accordance with new DNR CMOM requirements and sewer overflow reporting requirements.
- Establishes *operational requirements* on the communities to restrict certain kinds of discharges into the sewers including sand and grease traps, chloride, pharmaceuticals, hauled wastes and clear water discharges.

#### **Chapter 5 Limitations Applicable to All Users**

In the current SUO, this chapter addressed all “sewer use” issues. Industrial pretreatment was interspersed with requirements applicable to other users. As revised Chapters 5-8 each addresses different types of users so each has a focused chapter.

#### **Chapter 6 Pretreatment and Other Obligations for Significant Industrial Users**

There are specific federal and state requirements for pretreatment by significant industrial users (SIUs) that do not apply to other users.

- The chapter is designed to incorporate the new federal and state pretreatment streamlining provisions.
- It has procedures for identifying SIUs and establishment of permit requirements.
- It consolidates and clarifies provisions formerly in chapter 5 and 7 to address the following: pretreatment facilities, monitoring and inspection, sampling, inspection, requests for information, reporting requirements, slug control, bypass, records retention and violations.
- The chapter also allows for the issuance of General Permits if appropriate for certain SIUs.

#### **Chapter 7 Requirements for Certain Commercial and Industrial Users**

This new chapter is designed to give the District flexibility to require special permits for commercial or industrial users who may not be classified as a significant industrial user.

## **Chapter 8 Limitations on Discharges of Septage and Other Hauled Wastes**

This chapter is a revision to the current Septage and Hauled Waste requirements in chapter 6.

- It is designed to regulate septage and other hauled wastes.
- It makes clear that such wastes can only be sent to District receiving station and that all such discharges are subject to a permit.
- It applies the regulations for licensed disposers of septage regulated under Wis. Stat § 281.48 to all haulers.

**RIGHTS OF APPEAL:** Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 200.45(1)(c), judicial review of a rule is available as set forth in Wis. Stat. § 200.45(1)(d), which provides in part that the exclusive means of judicial review of the validity of a rule is an action for declaratory judgment as to the validity of the rule brought in the circuit court for the county in which the district is located or for the county in which the plaintiff resides.