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1. INTRODUCTION

The District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority (WASA or Authority) entered into a Consent Decree (CD) with the U.S. Government and certain citizen plaintiffs to resolve allegations regarding the combined sewer system (CSS). The following consent decree was lodged with and entered by the court on June 25, 2003 and October 10, 2003, respectively:

United States District Court for the District of Columbia Civil Action No. 1:00CV00183TFH Civil Action No. 02-2511 (TFH) Consent Decree

The CD requires that WASA submit written status reports to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the citizen plaintiffs by the 28th day of the month following the end of each calendar quarter. The CD requires that the following be provided in each status report:

- The due dates and other terms that WASA is required to meet since the date of the last quarterly statement, whether and to what extent WASA has met these requirements, and the reasons for any noncompliance.
- A general description of the work completed within the three-month period, and a projection of work to be performed during the next three-month period.
- All other items as specified in Section V (Compliance Program and Schedules) of the CD including the status of the catch basin cleaning.

This report covers the months October through December 2007, which is Quarter No. 4 in 2007. Note that the CD requires posting certain information on WASA's web site, including the Combined Sewer System (CSS) Quarterly Reports. The web site addresses for these items are as follows:

- WASA's web site: www.dcwasa.com
- CSS Quarterly Reports on WASA's web site: http://www.dcwasa.com/education/css/publicinformation.cfm

2. REQUIREMENTS DUE IN CURRENT QUARTER

The following is a status report for requirements due in the current quarter:

	REQUIREMENTS DUE IN CURRENT QUARTER				
Reference	Requirement	Due Date	Status		
p. 12, V.10.e.i	Assurance of Conveyance Capacity Ensure collections system has capacity to convey 1076 mgd to Blue Plains.	Quarterly, following EPA's approval letter of 04/11/07	DCWASA issued NTP on November 1, 2007 for the design of the rehabilitation of the Outfall Sewers. WASA is monitoring the activity associated with this requirement and based on the information currently available, expects to meet the deadline.		

3. REQUIREMENTS DUE NEXT QUARTER

The following is a status report for requirements due in the next quarter.

REQUIREMENTS DUE NEXT QUARTER			
Reference	Requirement	Due Date	Status
	None		

4. REQUIREMENTS DUE AFTER NEXT QUARTER

The following are requirements due after next quarter. Only those activities which are not addressed in prior tables are include

	REQUIREMENTS DUE AFTER NEXT QUARTER				
Reference	Requirement	Due Date	Status		
p. 13,	Main & O Pumping Stations	05/01/08	WASA is monitoring the activity associated with this		
V.12.b.	Place in operation following rehab to achieve		requirement and based on the information currently available,		
(iv)	a Firm Sanitary Pumping Capacities of 240		expects to meet the deadline.		
	and 45 mgd, respectively.				
p. 15,	Potomac Pumping Station	09/01/08	WASA is monitoring the activity associated with this		
V.12.e.(iv)	Place in operation following rehab to achieve		requirement and based on the information currently available,		
	a Firm Sanitary Pumping Capacity of 460		expects to meet the deadline.		
	mgd.				
p. 12,	Assurance of Conveyance Capacity	04/11/11	WASA is preparing detail design for preparation of		
V.10.e.i	Ensure collections system has capacity to		construction documents to rehabilitate the Outfall Sewers in		
	convey 1076 mgd to Blue Plains.		to convey 1076 mgd by the due date.		
p. 16,	Inspect the three 60-inch Anacostia Siphons	07/01/11	WASA is monitoring the activity associated with this		
V.12.i.	Inspect siphons at least once every ten (10)		requirement and based on the information currently available,		
	years and clean and repair as necessary.		expects to meet the deadline.		
p. 16,	Eastside Interceptor Cleaning	07/26/11	WASA is monitoring the activity associated with this		
V.12.i.	Inspect the Eastside Interceptor and the lower		requirement and based on the information currently available,		
	section of the Northeast Boundary Sewer		expects to meet the deadline.		
	every five years and clean and repair as				
	necessary.				
p. 23,	Public Notification – Notification lights	20 months after	WASA is monitoring the activity associated with this		
V.16.b.	Place in Operation.	receipt of approvals	requirement and based on the information currently available,		
(iii)(c)(ii)		August 21, 2008	expects to meet the deadline.		
p. 29,	Supplemental Environmental Project	5 yrs after placing	WASA is monitoring the activity associated with this		
IX.28	Operate and Maintain.	in operation	requirement and based on the information currently available,		
		April 10, 2012	expects to meet the deadline.		
p. 29,	Supplemental Environmental Project	5 yrs after placing	WASA is monitoring the activity associated with this		
IX.27	Submit SEP completion report.	in operation	requirement and based on the information currently available,		
		April 10, 2012	expects to meet the deadline.		

5. ON-GOING REQUIREMENTS

The following is a status report for requirements that are performed at periodic intervals at an on-going basis.

	ON-GOING ACTIVITIES				
Reference	Requirement	Due Date	Status		
p. 4, II.3.	Application and Scope Provide a copy of the Consent Decree (CD) to any consultant or contractor selected to perform any activity required by the CD.	As required	Completed in Quarter No. 4, 2003. WASA will send additional letters and copies of the CD to affected Project Design Engineers (PDEs) as they are retained for other projects required by the CD.		
p. 10, V.10.a.(iv)	Replace Inflatable Dams Operate and maintain all inflatable dams.	Ongoing after 04/01/04	Inspection and maintenance of the inflatable dams is performed monthly and is documented in the CSS Quarterly Report, Section 2.5, Table 2-11, which is available on WASA's web site. Wet weather operations are reported on Table 2-12.		
p. 10, V.10.b.(i) (a-e)(ii) (d.)(iv)	Tide Gate Repair & Replacement Operate and maintain all tide gates.	Ongoing after 10/10/03	Inspection and maintenance of the tide gates is performed monthly and is documented in the CSS Quarterly Report, Section 2.2, Table 2, which is available on WASA's web site.		
p. 12, V.11.	Pretreatment Maintain and update the current pretreatment program as required by the Clean Water Act, Pretreatment Regulations, and the NPDES Permit.	Ongoing after 10/10/03	The Pretreatment Program is being maintained and updated. The program submits reports and updates annually to EPA.		

	O	N-GOING AC	TIVITIES
Reference	Requirement	Due Date	Status
Reference p. 11, V.10.c.			Status Catch basin cleaning totals are reported in WASA's CSS Quarterly report, in Section 4, available on WASA's web site. Calendar year to date totals for this quarter are as follows: Item No of Catch Basins % of Total Catch Basins in CSS: 10,871 (1) Catch Basins in CSS Cleaned: 10871 100 % Catch Basins in Anacostia CSS: 5,954 (1)
			Catch Basins in Anacostia CSS Inspected Once: 5954 100 %
			Catch Basins in Anacostia CSS Inspected Twice: 5954 100 %
			Notes: (1) Catch basin quantities are estimated based on count of catch basins on sewer maps and on experience of field crews.

	ON	N-GOING ACT	TIVITIES
Reference	Requirement	Due Date	Status
p. 13, V.12.a.(i) (ii)	Maximization of Flow to the POTW for Treatment Operate and maintain the collection system to maximize flow to Blue Plains and treat all flows conveyed to permit requirements.	Ongoing after 10/10/03	Operation and maintenance status of the collection system and pumping stations is reported in Section 2 of the CSS quarterly report, available on WASA's web site. The pumping stations and collection system have been operated to maximize the flow to Blue Plains within the constraints of the system. During the period covered by this report, the maximum hourly rate to Complete Treatment exceeded 511 mgd, the rate established as the limit for Phases 1 through 7 of the Blue Plains Liquid Process Improvement Program.
p.14.12.b. (v)	Main and O Pumping Station Maintain a Firm Sanitary Pumping Capacities of 240 and 45 mgd, respectively.	Ongoing after rehab complete	This requirement takes effect after the rehabilitation is completed.
p. 14, V.12.c.(v)	East Side Pumping Station Maintain a Firm Sanitary Pumping Capacity of 45 mgd.	Ongoing after 08/01/06	The number of pumps and screens available for service at East Side Pumping Station is reported in Section 2 of the CSS Quarterly Report, available at WASA's web site. The report shows that the station's firm capacity was available for the period covered by this report.
p. 14, V.12.d.(iv)	Poplar Point Pumping Station Maintain a Firm Sanitary Pumping Capacity of 45 mgd.	Ongoing after 10/10/03	The number of pumps and screens available for service at Poplar Point Pumping Station is reported in Section 2 of the CSS Quarterly report, available at WASA's web site. The report shows that Pumps 1 and 2 were both out of service due to mechanical malfunctions on December 29 th and 30 th . The station's firm capacity was restored on the 31 st , when Pump 1 was returned to service.
p. 15, V.12.e.(v)	Potomac Pumping Station Maintain a Firm Sanitary Pumping Capacity of 460 mgd.	Ongoing after rehab complete	This requirement takes effect after the rehabilitation is completed.
p. 17, V.13.b	 Facilitate Reports from Public of Dry Weather Overflows Include DWO information on water/sewer bill inserts. Staff and maintain phone line to receive reports on DWOs. 	Ongoing after 10/10/03	 DWO information is included on all water/sewer bill inserts for CSO program. Phone line and staff remain in operation to receive DWO reports.

	ON	N-GOING ACT	TIVITIES
Reference	Requirement	Due Date	Status
p. 18, V.14.	Control of Solids and Floatable Material in CSOs Conduct visual wet weather surveys at outfalls 009 through 012 to assess the extent of floatables discharged.	Ongoing after 10/10/03	Visual surveys completed in the quarter are included in Section 5 of the CSS Quarterly Report, which is available on WASA's web site, and is reported to EPA with the monthly NPDES report.
p. 18, V.15.	Pollution Prevention Programs Maintain the MS4 pollution prevention programs.	Ongoing after 10/10/03	The MS4 Pollution Prevention Program is being maintained and updated. The program produces an annual report
p. 18, V.15.	Pollution Prevention Programs Continue to periodically educate the public about pollution prevention through its newsletters and web site.	Ongoing after 10/10/03	Information about pollution prevention is included on WASA website. In addition, twice a year, informational pamphlets are included in the water/sewer bills mailed to citizens.
p. 19, V.16.a.(i)	Public Notification – CSO Signs Conduct monthly inspections of CSO warning signs and replace, repair or clear obstructions as required.	Monthly	Inspection and replacement of signs is documented in Section 2 of the CSS Quarterly Reports, available on WASA's web site.
p. 21, V.16.b.	Public Notification – Web Site Maintain general info on CSOs, 12 most current CSS Quarterly Reports, and annual/quarterly CSO discharge volumes.	Ongoing after 10/10/03	This information is on WASA's web site, and it is updated regularly.
p. 22, V.16.b.(ii)	Public Notification – Information pamphlets/inserts Semi-annually, prepare an information pamphlet/insert containing CSO information and distribute in the water bills.	Twice per year	CSO informational pamphlets were distributed to citizens with their water/sewer bill twice in 2004, 2005, and 2006. A CSO informational pamphlet was distributed to citizens along with their water/sewer bill in April 2007 and October 2007.
p. 22, V.16.b.(ii)	Public Notification – Information pamphlets/inserts Distribute CSO pamphlet/insert semi-annually to boat rental facilities, marinas, tackle shops, and other public locations along affected river segments.	Twice per year	CSO informational pamphlets were mailed to local marinas twice in 2004, 2005, and 2006. A CSO informational pamphlet was mailed to local marinas in April 2007 and October 2007.

	ON-GOING ACTIVITIES				
Reference	Requirement	Due Date	Status		
p. 24, V.17.a.	Monitoring Report CSO overflows at remote (SCADA-	04/28/04	Information on CSO overflows reported at SCADA-monitored sites is included in Table 2-12 of the CSS Quarterly Reports,		
	monitored) sites.		available on WASA's web site, and is reported to EPA with the monthly NPDES report.		
p. 25,	Reporting	28 th day of	WASA submitted its first Quarterly Report on January 27, 2004		
VII.19.(a).	Submit quarterly consent decree status	month after	for Quarter No. 4 in 2003 and has submitted a report for each		
(b).(c)	reports.	end of each	calendar quarter since. This report satisfies the latest reporting		
		calendar	requirement.		
		quarter			

6. REQUIREMENTS COMPLETED IN PRIOR QUARTERS

The following summarizes completed requirements reported in prior quarters.

	REQUIREMENTS COMPLETED IN PRIOR QUARTERS				
Reference	Requirement	Due Date	Status		
p. 8, V.9.aj.	Proper Operation and Regular Maintenance Submit a written O&M program to EPA for review	06/30/04	Completed. Written O&M program submitted to EPA for review on 6/30/04.		
, and the second	and comment but not approval.				
p. 10,	Replace Inflatable Dams	03/31/04	Completed. All inflatable dams were in operation as of		
V.10.a.(iii)	Replace all twelve existing inflatable dams		03/29/04 under Contract 01-0080 issued to Corman		
	and place all replacement dams in operation.		Construction Inc.		
p. 10,	Tide Gate Repair & Replacement	11/10/03	Completed. All tide gates were placed in operation as of		
V.10.b.(i)	Repair or replace tide gates at five CSO		08/29/03 under Contract 02-0070, Job Number AX01.		
(a-e)(ii)(c.)	structures and place in operation.				
p. 11,	Amendments to Sewer System Regulations	11/10/03	Completed. Three proposed code changes were submitted to		
V.10.d.	Recommend sewer regulation amendments to		the Council of the District of Columbia on October 22, 2003.		
	the D.C. Government to limit storm water				
	inflow from any and all new construction and				
	major renovations.				
p. 14,	Main & O Pumping Station Rehab	03/01/04	Completed. Documents were submitted to DCRA and the		
V.12.b.(ii)	Submit documents for required approvals to		Army Corps of Engineers by the deadline.		
	rehabilitate Main and O Street Pumping				
	Stations to 240 and 45 mgd capacities.				

	REQUIREMENTS COMPLETED IN PRIOR QUARTERS				
Reference	Requirement	Due Date	Status		
p. 13, V.12.b. (iii)	Main & O Pumping Stations Award construction contract for rehabilitation.	04/01/05	Completed. Contract awarded to W.M. Schlosser Company, Inc. on February 23, 2005.		
p. 14, V.12.c.(ii)	East Side Pumping Station Submit documents for the required approvals for the rehabilitation of Eastside Pumping Station to achieve a pumping capacity of 45 mgd.	08/01/04	Completed. Documents were submitted to DCRA on August 13, 2003.		
p. 14, V.12.c.(iii)	East Side Pumping Station Award construction contract for rehabilitation.	08/01/04	Construction contract awarded 06/04/04 to Ulliman Schutte Construction, LLC		
p. 14, V.12.c.(iv)	East Side Pumping Station Place in operation.	08/01/06	Completed. Pumps placed into service on July 21, 2006.		
p. 15, V.12.d.(ii)	Poplar Point Pumping Station Submit pump test data to EPA demonstrating a pumping capacity of 45 mgd at Poplar Point Pumping Station.	11/10/03	Completed. Delivery of the package occurred on 12/02/03.		
p. 15, V.12.e.	Potomac Pumping Station Rehab Submit documents for required approvals.	06/01/04	Completed. WASA submitted the Permit Application to DCRA on 5/21/04.		
p. 15, V.12.e.(iii)	Potomac Pumping Station Award construction contract for rehabilitation.	09/01/05	Completed. Contract awarded to Ulliman Schutte Construction, LLC on March 14, 2005.		
p. 16, V.12.f.(i)	Improvements at Blue Plains – Grit Chambers 1&2 and Influent Screens Submit documents for required approvals to rehabilitate grit chamber buildings 1 and 2 and influent screening facilities.	10/20/03	Completed. Building Permit issued 10/12/01.		
p. 16, V.12.f.(ii)	Improvements at Blue Plains – Grit Chambers 1&2 and Influent Screens Award construction contracts to rehabilitate grit chamber buildings 1 and 2 and influent screening facilities.	07/31/03	Completed. Contract number 02-0130 awarded to W. M. Schlosser Co. Inc. on 07/17/03 for grit removal upgrades.		
p. 16, V.12.f.(iii)	Improvements at Blue Plains – Grit Chamber 1&2 and Influent Screens. Placed in operation	07/31/07	Completed on 07/27/07.		

	REQUIREMENTS (COMPLETED II	N PRIOR QUARTERS
Reference	Requirement	Due Date	Status
p. 16, V.12.i.	Eastside Interceptor Cleaning Inspect the Eastside Interceptor and the lower section of the Northeast Boundary Sewer every five years and clean and repair as necessary.	07/26/06	Completed. CCTV completed by due date. No repair or cleaning was required.
p. 17, V.13.a. (i)-(iii)	System Modifications to Prevent DWOs Correct regulator and/or CSS deficiencies to address dry weather overflows at CSO outfalls 007, 027, 005, 020, 023, 015, 014, and 024 and place in operation.	12/31/03	Completed. This item consists of replacement of regulator structures to reduce the likelihood of DWOs at the specified outfalls. Following facilities placed in operation by 11/24/03 under Contract 01-0020 to Corman Construction: • CSO 027 – Structure 43a, Potomac & water St NW • CSO 005 – Structure 7, Railroad Ave & W St SE • CSO 020 – Structure 34a, 23 rd St near C St NW • CSO 014 – Structure 18, 6 th and M St. SE • CSO 024 – Structure 38a, 30 th St south of K St NW Following Structures placed in operation by 12/19/03 under contract to C&F Construction • CSO 007 – Structure 9, 13 th and Ridge SE • CSO 015 – Structure 19 & 19a, 9 th and M St SE The following work was completed by WASA prior to June 2003: • CSO 023 – Rock Creek P.S., install level sensor to indicate risk of DWO
p. 17, V.13.b.	Facilitate Reports from Public of DWOs Add DWO information to web site.	10/10/03	Completed. DWO information added to web site on 7/14/03.
p. 17, V.13.b.	Facilitate Reports from Public of DWOs Include DWO information in a pamphlet with the sewer bill.	Semi-annually	2004 – Completed in August and December. 2005 – Completed in April and September. 2006 – Completed in April and October. 2007 – Completed in April and October.

	REQUIREMENTS COMPLETED IN PRIOR QUARTERS			
Reference	Requirement	Due Date	Status	
p. 17, V.13.b.	Facilitate Reports from Public of DWOs Maintain a Customer Service Hotline with staff trained to receive DWO reports.	10/10/03	Completed. Customer Service Hotline made operational, staff trained 07/24/03, 08/27/03 and 08/28/03.	
p.17 V.13.b and p.22 V.16.b	Public Notification Requirements WASA shall provide information pamphlets on CSO location and activity.	12/31/05	Semi-Annual information pamphlets were provided to the public; one distribution in April 2005 and another in September 2005. This completes this requirement.	
p. 18, V.13.c.(ii) (iii)	DWO Management Program Provide video cameras and training to inspection staff.	10/10/03	Completed. Three JVC digital camcorders were purchased and received on 09/07/00 and training provided for inspection staff on 09/26/00.	
p. 18, V.13.d.	Control of Construction Debris Improve coordination with the D.C. Department of the Environment (previously DOH) and the D.C. Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs for erosion/sediment control.	10/10/03	Completed. Letter sent to the respective agencies on 07/18/03 seeking to improve coordination regarding control of construction debris and the prevention of its entry into the sewer system. The letter lists opportunities for improvement and better coordination and provides contact personnel and telephone numbers.	
p. 20, V.16.a. (ii)	Public Notification; CSO Signs – National Park Service Apply to the National Park Service (NPS) for a permit to install new CSO signs.	11/10/03	Completed. Made written application on 08/22/03 and written follow-up on 11/5/03 to Mr. John G. Parsons, Associate Regional Director, for NPS to install the signs. In their letter of 11/25/03, NPS denied approval for placement of new signs.	
p. 20, V.16.a.(iii)	CSO Signs – WASA Controlled Sites Install two new signs at WASA controlled CSO outfalls: 009-012 and one sign each at CSO outfalls 001 and 003.	04/07/04	Completed. Signs installed 2/12/04.	
p. 21, V.16.a.(iv)	Public Notification; CSO Signs – National Zoo Apply to the National Zoo for a permit to install new CSO signs.	11/10/03	Completed. Made written application on 08/22/03 and written follow-up on 11/5/03 to Mr. Marc M. Mueller, National Zoological Park Resident Engineer, to install the signs. The Zoo approved placement of new signs in their letter of 12/13/03.	
p. 21, V.16.a.(iv)	Public Notification; CSO Signs – Navy Yard Apply to the Navy Yard for a permit to install new CSO signs.	11/10/03	Completed. Made written application on 08/22/03 and written follow-up on 11/5/03 to Mr. Thomas P. Lewis Chief, Environmental and Safety Division for the Navy Yard to install the signs. In their letter of 11/17/03, Navy Yard denied approval for placement of new signs.	

	REQUIREMENTS COMPLETED IN PRIOR QUARTERS				
Reference	Requirement	Due Date	Status		
p. 21, V.16.a. (iv)	Public Notification; CSO Signs – Southeast Federal Center Apply to Southeast Federal Center for a permit to install new CSO sign.	11/10/03	Completed. Made written application on 09/04/03 to Mr. Steven Richard, Director, Service Delivery Support Division for SE Federal Center to install the sign. In their letter of 12/19/03, SE Federal Center denied approval for placement of new signs.		
p. 21, V.16.a.(iv)	CSO Signs –National Zoo Install new signs at CSO outfalls 041-045 after approval by National Zoo.	06/10/04	Completed. Signs installed 4/12/04.		
pp. 21-22, V.16.b.(i) (a)-(g)	Public Notification – Web site Maintain accurate and up-to-date CSO information on the WASA web site as outlined in the CD.	10/10/03	Completed. Web site updated as outlined in the CD on 07/14/03 and quarterly thereafter.		
p. 22, V.16.b.(ii)	Public Notification – Information pamphlets/inserts Semi-annually, prepare an information pamphlet/insert containing CSO information and distribute in the water bills.	Twice per year	2004 – Completed in August and December. 2005 – Completed in April and September. 2006 – Completed in April and October. 2007 – Completed in April and October.		
p. 22, V.16.b.(ii)	Public Notification – Information pamphlets/inserts Distribute CSO pamphlet/insert semi-annually to boat rental facilities, marinas, tackle shops, and other public locations along affected river segments.	Twice per year	 2004 – Completed in August and December. 2005 – Completed in April and September. 2006 – Completed in April and October. 2007 – Completed in April and October. 		
p. 23, V.16.b.(iii) (c)(i)	Public Notification - Notification lights Submit documents for required approvals to install and operate CSO warning lights on the Anacostia and Potomac Rivers.	12/31/03	Completed.		
p. 26, VIII.20.	Civil Penalty Pay a penalty of \$250,000 to the U. S. Department of Justice.	11/10/03	Completed. An electronic transfer of \$250,000 to the U.S. Department of Justice was performed on 11/10/03.		

REQUIREMENTS COMPLETED IN PRIOR QUARTERS				
Reference	Requirement	Due Date	Status	
p. 27, IX.2330.	Supplemental Environmental Projects (SEPs) Submit to EPA detailed scope of work and exact location of SEP.	04/07/04	Completed. WASA submitted its proposed SEP on April 1, 2004. EPA provided comments in a May 18, 2004 letter and in a May 25, 2004 conference call. WASA submitted a revised scope of work addressing EPA's comments on August 23, 2004. WASA received EPA's written approval of the proposed SEP on January 24, 2005.	
p. 27, IX.24	Supplemental Environmental Project Place in Operation.	04/10/07	Project placed in service 04/10/07.	
p. 30, X.31.	Citizen Community Project Pay the Chesapeake Bay Foundation \$300,000 for the design, installation, and maintenance of green roof demonstration projects.	11/10/03	Completed. An electronic transfer of \$300,000 to the Chesapeake Bay Foundation was performed on 11/10/03.	