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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY  
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January 5, 2006

Mr. Kevin Babinski, Superintendent  
Midland Wastewater Treatment Plant  
2125 Austin Street  
Midland, Michigan 48642

Dear Mr. Babinski:

**SUBJECT:** Operating Plan Approval  
Midland Wastewater Plant Septage Receiving Facility

Review of the Midland Wastewater Plant Septage Receiving Facility Operating Plan received on September 6, 2005, is complete. The purpose of the review was to ensure that the plan addressed all of the required elements of Part 117, Septage Waste Servicers, Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended. The operating plan is approved under the condition that proof of public notice is provided to this office within 60 days.

The public notice requirements are as follows:

- Publish notice of the proposed operating plan in a newspaper of general circulation in the area where the receiving facility is located.
- If the person maintains a Web site, post notice of the proposed operating plan on its Web site.
- Notice of a proposed operating plan shall contain all of the following:
  - (a) A statement that the receiving facility continues to receive septage waste for treatment.
  - (b) A copy of the proposed operating plan or a statement where the operating plan is available for review during normal business hours.
  - (c) A request for written comments on the proposed operation of the receiving facility and the deadline for receipt of such comments, which shall be not less than 30 days after publication, posting, or mailing of the notice.

After the deadline for receipt of comments, the person proposing to operate a receiving facility may modify the plan in response to any comments received and shall submit a summary of the comments and the current version of the proposed operating plan to the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) for approval.

The receiving facility must operate in accordance with the approved plan. If a change in operations or conditions is anticipated, please file an amendment to the plan at least 30 days prior to the proposed date for implementation. Please note that this approval is further conditioned such that the identified service areas restrict only the disposition of septic tank waste pumped within those areas. Land application of septage pumped from outside the

Mr. Kevin Babinski

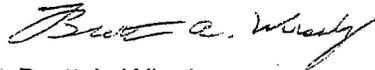
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service areas may continue to be land applied to approved land-application sites within the identified boundaries.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at the number below.

Sincerely,



Brett A. Wiseley  
On-Site Wastewater Unit  
Drinking Water and Environmental Health Section  
Water Bureau  
517-241-1452

BAW:DLR

cc: Mr. Charles J. Lichon, R.S., Midland County Health Department  
Mr. Richard Falardeau, Water Bureau, DEQ  
Mr. Matthew Campbell, Water Bureau, DEQ



Wastewater Plant • 2125 Austin Street • Midland, Michigan 48642 • 989.837.3500 • 989.496.0266 Fax

August 23, 2005

To: Midland County Townships and Villages

Re: Receiving Domestic Septage at City of Midland WWTP

The DEQ has requested that we submit notice of our proposed operating plan to the legislative body of each city, village and township located within our service area.

The plan is enclosed, and if you should have any questions please feel free to contact me at 989-837-3502.

Respectfully,

Kevin Babinski  
Superintendent  
Wastewater Treatment Plant

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## **CITY OF MIDLAND WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT OPERATING PLAN FOR ACCEPTING DOMESTIC SEPTAGE**

In accordance with the State of Michigan House Bill 5771 and 5772 amend part 117, Septage Waste Servicers, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, the Midland WWTP will be defined as a receiving facility for domestic sewage. The following are conditions and information for accepting domestic sewage by licensed septage haulers.

### **LOCATION**

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### **HOURS OF OPERATION**

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### **ORIGIN OF WASTE**

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The Midland WWTP facility only accepts domestic septage such as from home septic tanks, recreational vehicles, portable toilets and type III marine sanitation devices. All other types of septage are not allowed (such as food establishment septage, grease interceptor, etc.). Disposing of these types of septage will be punishable by law.

### **FEES**

All users of the hauled waste disposal site shall pay a minimum fee and any added costs established by City staff that reflects the cost of providing adequate treatment, stabilization and ultimate disposal of those "high strength wastes" received at the City of Midland hauled waste disposal site. Current fees are \$25.00 per 1000 gal., and are limited to 4000 gal/day.

### **DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

Attached is a registration form that, when completed and on file with the City of Midland, will authorize your company to purchase Waste Disposal Permits for the purpose of discharging hauled waste at the City of Midland Wastewater Treatment Plant. These permits will be required as of July 1, 2000 before waste from any septic tank or any other waste collection system is transported for disposal at the City's hauled waste disposal site. Listed below are the requirements that waste haulers must meet as conditions for using this disposal site. Along with the registration form, you must provide Proofs of Insurance and appropriate State of Michigan (MDEQ) licenses and/or (state/local) Health Department permits.

### **Analysis:**

An analysis of wastes being hauled may be required before any waste is accepted at the hauled waste disposal site. Contact the WWTP for advance information at 989-837-3500.

**Licenses:**

Prior to any disposal of hauled waste, the waste system cleaner and/or waste hauler shall obtain and furnish to the City of Midland copies of any required license(s) issued by the State of Michigan.

**Proof of Insurance:**

The waste system cleaner or waste hauler shall maintain minimum insurance coverage(s) as outlined below and shall provide proof of that insurance to the City of Midland prior to any disposal of collected waste at the hauled waste disposal site. Minimum insurance requirements with the City of Midland are as follows:

- |                                       |              |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|
| 1. Comprehensive General Liability    |              |
| Each occurrence                       | 1,000,000.00 |
| General aggregate                     | 1,000,000.00 |
| 2. Comprehensive Automobile Liability |              |
| Combined single limit                 | 500,000.00   |

Cancellation of insurance requirement shall cause permit to be void.

**Safety:**

The waste system cleaner and/or waste hauler shall comply with all Federal, State and Local laws, ordinances and regulations governing the use of all safeguards, safety devices, protective equipment, and take any needed actions as necessary to protect the safety and health of City employees, the safety and health of the public and protect property during the collection, transport and disposal of waste at the designated City disposal site.

**Other:**

In order to insure the orderly, efficient and sanitary disposal of hauled waste at the City of Midland site, certain rules of use are necessary and must be complied with as a condition of the continuing use of that site. Waste system cleaners and haulers will be apprised of these rules by a means selected by the City. However, it is the responsibility of the individual waste system cleaners and/or haulers to be aware of use and to adhere to them and to immediately report any misuse of the site or violation of the rules of use to a City representative.

Failure to comply with established notification requirements (registration reapplication), disposal site use requirements or generally disregard policy for the orderly, efficient and sanitary use of the City's hauled waste disposal site will be just cause for revocation of a waste hauler's (City of Midland registration and shall be reason to withhold site use permits and bar the affected waste hauler from using the site.

**CITY OF MIDLAND CODE OF ORDINANCES:**

All users of the hauled waste disposal site acknowledge that the City of Midland has in force a water, sewer and sewage disposal ordinance, specifically section 28 of the Code of Ordinances that shall be complied with.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Registrant's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
City of Midland

**FORM I**

**WASTE DISPOSAL PERMIT REGISTRATION**

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
Waste Hauler Company Name

2. \_\_\_\_\_  
Company Address

3. \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone Number

4. \_\_\_\_\_  
Owner's Name Owner's Telephone Number

5. \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of Waste

6. Vehicle:

_____	_____
Make	License Number
_____	_____
Model	Capacity (gallons)

7. Copy of company's MDEQ application attached? \_\_\_\_\_  
Copy of company's State of Michigan license attached? \_\_\_\_\_  
Proof of Insurance attached? \_\_\_\_\_

8. Are any chemicals used in your cleaning process or in treatment of this waste?  
\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, if yes continue with 8 a. \_\_\_\_\_ No

8a. List chemicals used and attach MSDS for products:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

9. Is all waste coming from within the City of Midland limits?  
\_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No, if no continue with 9a.

9a. If waste is from outside of City limits disposal must be pre-approved by the City Utilities Director. List counties and townships from which waste is originating.

County	Township	County	Township
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

10. I/We certify that any hauled waste discharged at the City of Midland WWTP by the company I/we am/are representing is from a residential source. I/We also understand that commercial and industrial septic waste and/or hauled waste is a prohibited discharge unless prior approval has been issued for each load. I/We also understand that I/we am/are liable for any process upset and/or damage caused by discharge of waste by this company to the City of Midland WWTP.
11. Waiver of Liability. I/We certify that as a waste hauler using the City of Midland disposal site that I/we do hereby assume all risk of personal injury, death, property damage or loss which may occur as a result of using the City of Midland disposal site and do hereby further agree to indemnify and hold harmless the City of Midland and all officers, employees, agents and servants thereof from any and all liability arising there from.
12. I/We acknowledge receipt of the document Septic Tank Cleaner/Waste Hauler Duties and Responsibilities. I/We have read, understand and shall fully comply with its terms and conditions.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Registrant's Signature  
 Registrant's Name:  
 Title:

Registration Type:

- \_\_\_\_\_ New (Form I first time)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal
- \_\_\_\_\_ Information Update

Original – City Clerk  
Copy (with attachments):  
 Director of Utilities  
 Wastewater Plant Superintendent

City of Midland  
L-6731  
Wastewater Treatment Plant

**AFFIDAVIT - PROOF OF PUBLICATION**

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
COUNTY OF MIDLAND

**Paula C. St.Louis** being duly sworn, disposes and says that I am

- See  
Attached  
Rider -

a representative of Midland Daily News, a daily newspaper published and circulated  
in the County of Midland, and that a notice, of which the annexed printed notice is a  
true copy, has been published in said paper once in each week for 1 successive  
weeks 1 times and that the first publication thereof was on the 28<sup>th</sup> day  
of Jan 2006 and the last publication was on the 28<sup>th</sup> day  
of January 2006

*Paula C. St. Louis*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
PAULA C. ST. LOUIS

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30 day of Jan 20 06

*Joyce Dittenber*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Joyce Dittenber-NOTARY PUBLIC for Midland Co. - Acting in Midland County

My commission expires June 14, 2011

Printers fee 147.97  
Affidavit chg 8.00  
Total Charges 155.97

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JOYCE DITTENBER  
NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF MI  
COUNTY OF MIDLAND  
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES Jun 14, 2011  
ACTING IN COUNTY OF

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Registration Signature  
City of Midland

Anyone wanting to comment on this operating plan should submit their comments to City of Midland Wastewater Treatment Plant, 333 W. Ellsworth, Midland, MI 48642; ATTN: Septage. Such comments will be received for 30 days following this publication.

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Plant Operating Plan  
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