

INFRASTRUCTURE C&E

September 12, 2025

Mr. Greg Merricle (email: [MERRICLEG@michigan.gov](mailto:MERRICLEG@michigan.gov))  
Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy  
Lansing, MI

**Re: Septage Receiving Improvements (New SWRF) for Plummer's Septic & Sewer  
at 4525 Clay Avenue, S.W., Wyoming, Michigan**

Dear Mr. Merricle,

This letter is to inform the State of Michigan, Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) that the subject septage receiving improvements at 4525 Clay Avenue, S.W., Wyoming, Michigan have been completed in conformance with the approved plans. Significant revisions and additions have been made and were reviewed at the site during the July 23, 2025 final inspection by EGLE.

Having achieved the intended results, this new SWRF will be put into operation.

If there are any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Ally Plummer or me.

Sincerely,

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Jeffrey L. Vos, P.E.  
Project Manager

- c. Ms. Ally Plummer, Plummer's Septic & Sewer  
Ms. Lisa Bartrum, City of Wyoming

## Plummers Septic Waste Receiving Facility

# Operating Plan

9/12/2025

**Company Name:** Plummers Septic Tank Inc. (DBA Plummers Septic and Sewer)

**Facility Address:** 4525 Clay Ave SW, Grand Rapids, MI 49548

**Facility Contacts:** Jon Plummer or Ally Plummer (Owners)

**Contact Telephone Number:** (616) 532-3996 - Answered 24/7

**Facility Hours of Operation:** Monday - Friday 7:30am - 5:30pm

Waste may be brought into the facility outside of staffed hours with special approval.

### Location:

The facility is located in West Michigan off of Clay Ave just south of 44th Street and borders US 131. It is located in the I2 Heavy Industrial Zoning District in the City of Wyoming. Surrounding businesses are commercial/industrial.

### Type of Waste Received:

Domestic Septage, Food Establishment Septage. When FES is accepted, a visual inspection is completed to ensure a 1:3 ratio of grease/septage.

### Fee Structure:

\$0.09/gallon

### Service Area:

Septage waste may be hauled in from anywhere within the state of Michigan.

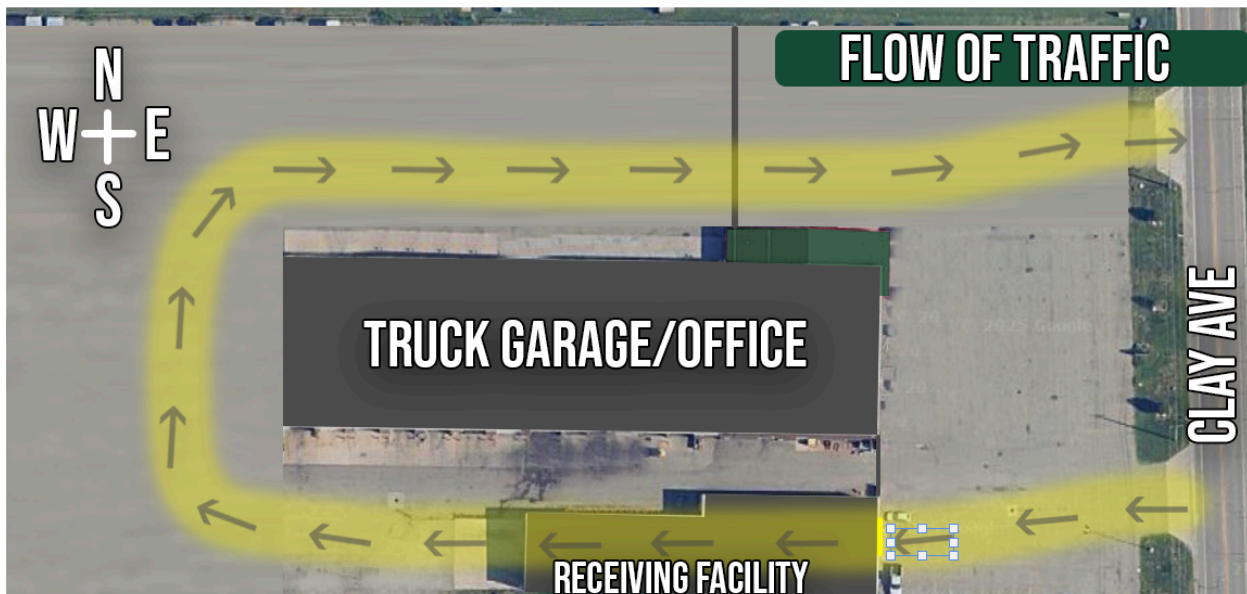
### Approval Process:

Any licensed company who wishes to dispose of septage waste at the facility must provide the following: a copy of their Septage Hauler's License, proof of insurance (Liability/Workers Compensation) and a completed haulers application with requested gallons per day. Also included in the application is a signed statement stating that only domestic septage is to be disposed of at the facility. Approval of haulers is at the discretion of the facility. Random sampling of loads will occur to validate waste streams.



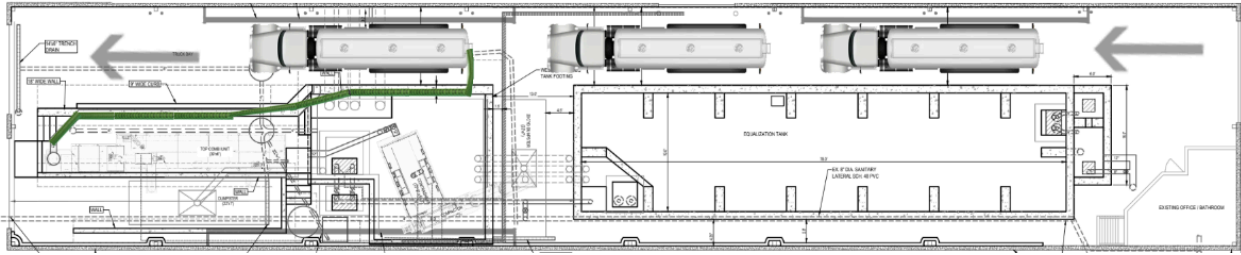
### Offloading

Trucks enter from the south driveway of the property and pull up to the east overhead door. The overhead door will open when pulled within the photo eye. Trucks will pull straight through heading West and park on the ramp with the rear of the truck at the hose connection. Prior to offloading, drivers will utilize the Elemech Receiving Station panel to log their load by entering their company ID and Truck Pin. Once approved at the panel, they will connect to the headworks of the plant by offloading via a 4" hose. After offloading, trucks will continue forward and exit through the west overhead door, travel around the building that sits to the north, exit the north gate and enter Clay Avenue from the north driveway. Please see below flow of traffic diagram.



### Treatment Process

After offloading, the waste then goes through several screening processes to remove any foreign objects, wipes, grit etc. before going through additional dewatering and equalization. Dewatered solids are disposed of at an approved landfill facility. Plummers Septic holds an Industrial User Permit with the City of Wyoming to discharge wastewater into the City of Wyoming's Sanitary Sewer System within permitted outfall limitations which are monitored and sampled by the city monthly. Gallons per day permitted for offloading will be communicated clearly with the hauler at the time of approval and if any changes are necessary due to operations.



Overview of interior of Receiving Facility. Connection hose shown in green.

**Odor Control:**

There are hoods placed over the screening dumpsters to pull air from potential high odor areas and drains. Foul air is extracted from the westerly portion of the building and processed through a Biofilter which is placed on the northern side of the building outside. In addition, a Vapex Odor control system is installed utilizing water, air and Ozone to produce hydroxyl radicals that eliminate odor in closed spaces such as the lift station and equalization tank.

**Spill Containment**

There are several trench drains and curbs in place to contain any accidental spills to the interior of the building.

If a change of operations is anticipated, an amendment to the plan will be submitted at least 30 days prior to implementation.



STATE OF MICHIGAN  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY  
LANSING



JENNIFER M. GRANHOLM  
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STEVEN E. CHESTER  
DIRECTOR

August 16, 2006

Mr. Richard Plummer  
Plummer's Septic Tank, Inc  
5003 Clyde Park Avenue  
Wyoming, Michigan 48650

Dear Mr. Plummer:

SUBJECT: Operating Plan Approval  
Plummer's Septic Tank Receiving Facility

Review of the Receiving Facility Operating Plan, including the additional information submitted to this office, is complete. The response addresses our concerns. The operating plan is approved. The septage waste 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 thirty days prior to the proposed date for implementation.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact me. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ebi Burutolu, Soil Scientist  
On-Site Wastewater Unit  
Drinking Water and Environmental Health Section  
Water Bureau  
517-241-4598

cc: Mr. David J. Kraker, Kent County Health Department  
Mr. Richard Falardeau, DEQ  
Mr. Dave Timm, Grand Rapids District Office, DEQ

*Radio Dispatch*

# Plummer's Septic Tank, Inc.

5003 Clyde Park Avenue, S.W., Wyoming, MI 49509  
Phone: 532-3996 or 532-4001 Fax: 532-1645

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7-31-06

Mr. Mathew Campbell  
Department of Environmental Quality  
Water Bureau, Septage Program  
Constitution Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, North  
P.O. Box 30273  
Lansing, MI 48909

We have operated our receiving facility since 1997 with a discharge permit to the Wyoming clean water plant. Our plan is to continue the essential service of septage treatment and disposal. Giving ourselves and others the opportunity to protect public Health.

The facility is located at; 5003 Clyde Park SW, Wyoming, MI 49509

The following is brief description of our process;  
The septage hauler must first provide copy of septage haulers lic., copy of insurance, approved credit, volume to be disposed of, origin of waste, sample, our safety procedures and check-in/check-out procedures.

We will accept domestic septage, domestic treatment plant septage, food processing waste, as well as food establishment septage(FES). When we accept FES waste we Visually inspect the load to see if there is a mixture, we also have the hauler sign a statement that he/she has a 1;3 ratio of grease/septage.

Service area; from anywhere it is generated, provided we have the capacity to process the waste.

Rates; domestic septage; .5 cents per gallon

A. Domestic treatment plant septage; .5-.10 cents per gallon depending upon the treatment method used.

B. Food processing waste (grease trap) .10 cents per gallon

C. Food establishment septage; .10 cents per gallon

Hours of operation; 24/7. If between the hours of 6: pm and 6:am, weekends or holidays the hauler needs to call ahead to get gate opened.

*in Dispatch*

*Radio Dispatched*

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Cont. operating plan

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A copy of this plan has been advertised in the Advance Newspaper issued; \_\_\_\_\_ (copy enclosed). As well as a copy to the Kent County Health Dept. and the City of Wyoming.

I hope the enclosed information is sufficient to issue us a receiving facility permit.

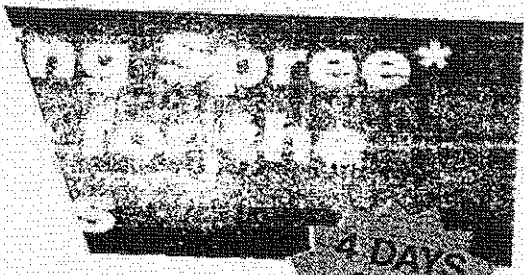
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Richard Plummer

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Richard

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## Public Notice

As required by MDEQ  
Pursuant to Section 1175b of Part 117  
Plummer's Septic Tank, Inc.  
5003 Clyde Park SW  
Wyoming, MI 49509

### Operating Plan As Follows:

We have operated our receiving facility since 1997 with a discharge permit to the Wyoming clean water plant. Our plan is to continue providing the essential service of septage treatment and disposal giving ourselves and others the opportunity to protect public health.

The following is a brief description of our process:  
The septage hauling truck parks in our septage receiving building, the waste is randomly sampled. Then the truck discharges the load into a receiving tank for treatment, then discharges to the Wyoming clean water plant.

The building has a positive air filtration system as well as a vaporized air distribution system for odor control. We inspect the treatment system weekly using a form that is kept on hand.

We accept domestic septage, domestic treatment plant septage, as well as food processing waste.

Service area: from anywhere it is generated, provided we have the capacity to process the waste.

Hours of operation: Up to 24 Hours/7 days.

#### Other conditions as follows:

- A. The hauler must provide a copy of septage hauler's license, copy of insurance, approved credit, volume to be disposed of, origin of waste, sample, safety procedures, check-in/out procedures.
- B. We will accept septage to the ability we have to process it.
- C. Any other conditions as occasion may require.

I hope the enclosed information is sufficient to issue us a receiving facility permit.

Sincerely,  
Richard Plummer

Capacity of facility is 800 mg/L BOD, 50,000 gpd avg, and 120,000 gpd, peak flow.

We request comments in writing to:  
Plummer's Septic Tank, Inc.  
5003 Clyde Park SW  
Wyoming, MI 49509

OR

Matthew Campbell  
MDEQ  
Water Bureau, Septage Program  
Constitution Hall, 2nd Floor, North  
PO Box 30273  
Lansing, MI 48909

The deadline for such comment is 30 days from the date of this publication.

11-15-06  
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## Industrial User Permit No. 0130

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 86 of the Wyoming City Code,

**Plummer's Septic Tank Inc.**  
5003 Clyde Park SW  
Grand Rapids MI 49509,

"Permittee", is hereby authorized to discharge industrial wastewater from the above identified facility and through the outfalls identified herein into the City of Wyoming sewer system in accordance with the conditions set forth in this permit. Compliance with this permit does not relieve the permittee of its obligation to comply with any or all applicable pretreatment regulations, standards, or requirements under local, State, and Federal laws, including any such regulations, standards, requirements, or laws that may become effective during the term of this permit.

Noncompliance with any term or condition of this permit shall constitute a violation of the City of Wyoming's Sewer Use Ordinance.

**This permit shall become effective on April 28, 2004 and expire at midnight on April 27, 2009.**

If the permittee wishes to continue to discharge after the expiration date of this permit, an application must be filed for a renewal permit in accordance with the requirements of Section 86-253 of the Wyoming City Code a minimum of 90 days prior to the expiration date.

