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**Public Notice
Ohio Environmental Protection Agency**

**Notice Regarding Updates to
Division of Surface Water Policy Manual**

Notice is hereby given that the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency has reviewed Sections 0200, 0300, 0400 and 0500 of the Division of Surface Water Policy Manual. These materials cover technical aspects of the Permit To Install, Design Criteria (for wastewater treatment), Enforcement and Pretreatment programs. In accordance with Section 3745.30 of the Ohio Revised Code (ORC), the Agency is required to maintain a central compendium of all policies and to review policies at least once every five years.

The Agency removed all but one of the policies in these sections because they did not conform to the definition of a policy or meet the requirements of a policy as stated in the above Revised Code section. The removal of these policies is for the reason stated and should not be interpreted to be evidence of a substantive concern with any specific policy content. As a follow up to the policy review and removal process, the Division of Surface Water will either schedule future rulemaking based on policies that previously articulated standards, or will revise the Division of Surface Water Guidance Manual as appropriate. In some instances, the substance of certain policies is outdated and will not migrate either to rule or guidance.

The one policy in these sections that was not removed is 0500.008 (Pretreatment and National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System: Toxic Organics Management Plan) which was last revised on August 23, 2002.

The revised Division of Surface Water Policy Manual and a summary of the changes to the manual are available on the Division of Surface Water Web page (<http://www.epa.state.oh.us/dsw/index.html>) or through the contact listed below. To request information, call the Division of Surface Water at (614) 644-2001 or write the address below:

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