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### **Ohio EPA Considering Discharge Permit for Cincinnati Water Plant**

Ohio EPA will host a public meeting on Thursday, Aug. 7, 2014, about a request from Greater Cincinnati Waterworks to modify the wastewater discharge permit for its Richard Miller water treatment plant. The meeting will be held at 6 p.m. at the Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission (ORSANCO) office, 5735 Kellogg Ave., Cincinnati.

At the meeting, Ohio EPA will present information, answer questions and accept public comments on the proposed permit modification. If approved, the modification would allow the city to add a new outfall to discharge overflow water from the ultraviolet disinfection unit. The outfall would be located on the Little Miami River near its confluence with the Ohio River.

The discharge would be intermittent and cannot exceed chemical-specific water quality standards that protect wildlife, aquatic life and human health. Ohio EPA is required to consider technical, economic, social and environmental aspects of the proposed project.

The Richard Miller Water Treatment Plant is located at 5651 Kellogg Ave. The facility's discharge permit also includes an existing process water outfall on the Ohio River.

Ohio EPA will accept written comments on the permit application through Aug. 15, 2014. Anyone may submit comments or request to be on the mailing list for information. To comment or receive information on the application, write to: Division of Surface Water, Permits Processing Unit, P.O. Box 1049, Columbus, Ohio 43216-1049 or email [dswcomments@epa.ohio.gov](mailto:dswcomments@epa.ohio.gov).

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