


**PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
MEMORANDUM #2015 – 44**

DATE: October 26, 2015
TO: Honorable Mayor Joyce Downing and City Council Members
FROM: David H. Willett, Acting City Manager 
SUBJECT: **CB – 1858**, Amendment to the Industrial Pretreatment Ordinance

BACKGROUND

The City of Northglenn's Industrial Pretreatment program has been in effect since May 8, 1986. The program is administered by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) under the umbrella of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES). The purpose of the program is to control industrial pollutants to prevent pass through or cause interference with wastewater treatment plant processes, and to improve opportunities to use and reclaim wastewater sludge.

There are three proposed changes to the language in the ordinance pertaining to industrial pretreatment. The first change to Section 16-15-2(53), adds the phrase GENERAL PROHIBITIONS. General Prohibitions apply to all industries, whether or not they are subject to specific prohibitions. Under the General Prohibitions, no industry may introduce pollutants that may cause interference or pass through in a publicly owned treatment works.

The second change to Section 16-15-2(62)(i), adds the phrase FOR THE SAME POLLUTANT PARAMETER. Without the addition of this phrase, chronic noncompliance would not be calculated in the manner specified by EPA regulations. The exact phrase FOR THE SAME POLLUTANT PARAMETER comes directly from EPA regulation 40 CFR 403.8(f)(2)(viii).

The final change to Section 16-15-2(63), adds the phrase A DISCHARGE THAT IS OF A, which clarifies the remainder of the definition.

The proposed amendment to the Industrial Pretreatment ordinance will modify current language and align the ordinance with EPA requirements. The EPA Region 8 Industrial Pretreatment Coordinator has approved the proposed modifications.

BUDGET/TIME IMPLICATIONS

The Amendment to the Industrial Pretreatment Ordinance will not affect budget or time requirements for the program.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of CB – 1858, Amendment to the Industrial Pretreatment Ordinance.

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ATTACHMENTS

- Councilman's Bill – Amendment to the Industrial Pretreatment Ordinance

SPONSORED BY: MAYOR DOWNING

COUNCILMAN'S BILL

ORDINANCE NO.

No. CB-1858
Series of 2015

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A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 16, ARTICLE 15 OF THE NORTHGLENN MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING INDUSTRIAL PRETREATMENT REGULATIONS FOR PUBLIC SEWERS

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTHGLENN, COLORADO, THAT:

Section 1. Section 16-15-2(53) of the Northglenn Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

(53) **Pretreatment Standard, National Pretreatment Standard or Standard.** Any regulation containing pollutant discharge limits promulgated by the EPA in accordance with sections 307 (b) and (c) of the Act, which applies to industrial users. This term includes prohibitive discharge limits established pursuant to Section 16-15-7 and includes the GENERAL PROHIBITIONS, Specific Prohibitions, local limits and Best Management Practices that are or may be established by the City. In cases of differing Standards or regulations, the more stringent shall apply.

Section 2. Section 16-15-2(62)(i) of the Northglenn Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

(i) Chronic violations of wastewater discharge limits, defined here as those in which sixty-six percent or more of all of the measurements taken FOR THE SAME POLLUTANT PARAMETER during a six-month period exceed (by any magnitude) a numeric Pretreatment Standard or Requirement, including instantaneous limits.

Section 3. Section 16-15-2(63) of the Northglenn Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

(63) **Slug discharge.** A DISCHARGE THAT IS OF A non-routine, episodic nature, including but not limited to an accidental spill or a non-customary batch Discharge, which has a reasonable potential to cause Interference or Pass Through, or in any other way violate this Article, including a discharge which exceeds the hydraulic or design capacity of an industrial users treatment system or any part of the treatment unit.

INTRODUCED, READ AND ORDERED POSTED this ____ day of _____, 2015.

JOYCE DOWNING
Mayor

ATTEST:

JOHANNA SMALL, CMC
City Clerk

PASSED ON SECOND AND FINAL READING this ____ day of _____,
2015.

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Mayor

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

COREY Y. HOFFMANN
City Attorney