Enforcement and Compliance Data Standard Action Team to identify and define the major areas of enforcement and compliance information, and to develop a data standard that could be used for the exchange of data among environmental agencies and other entities. The purpose of the standard is to provide a common vocabulary or lexicon, so that information about functionally similar activities and/or instruments can be shared. The proposed standard focuses on core information common across most program areas. The draft standard is not intended to constrain what information an agency chooses to collect, nor does it constitute a reporting requirement. It merely defines a standardized way to organize and exchange key information if agencies choose to exchange that information.

The draft Enforcement/Compliance Data Standard, contains (1) the enforcement data element matrix, (2) the compliance assistance data element matrix, and (3) commonly used enforcement and compliance terminology. It is important to note that the compliance assistance data element matrix is presented as separate and distinct from the enforcement data element matrix/standard. The compliance assistance data element matrix deals with an area of information that is not currently, routinely exchanged. It does not have a basis in long established practice and program to program data exchange. It is included for comment in the Notice as a way to receive State and other data exchange partner reaction to its form and impact on systems as an area of potential new data exchange. Please see the additional discussion of this matter found in the materials at the websites referenced above.

III. Permitting Data Standard

The EDSC chartered the Permitting Data Standard Action Team to identify and define the major areas of permitting information and to develop a data standard that could be used for the exchange of permitting data among environmental agencies and other entities The proposed Permit Data Standard is not intended to be a system design or to cover every detail of permitting data that are currently exchanged or managed; instead, it focuses on core information common across most program areas and organizations. The draft standard is not intended to constrain what information an agency chooses to collect, nor does it constitute a reporting requirement. It merely defines a standardized way to organize and exchange key information

if agencies choose to exchange that information.

This standard is designed to provide simple, high-level information that includes core data sufficient to identify a permit, as well as some information on administrative status and history, that is common across most organizations and programs. The standard does not contain more detailed information that is program specific. Standardization of this program specific data should be accomplished via the development of program-specific standards (consistent with this overall standard) and/or the development of Data Exchange Templates between information exchange partners. A "permit" is a permit, authorization, license, or equivalent used to implement the requirements of an environmental regulation. A permit is issued to an individual or organization and typically specifies pollutant discharge limits or operating procedures.

III. Review of Draft Standards To Date

These draft standards have received significant input through the representatives from EPA program, States and Tribal organizations serving on the development Action Teams. In addition, the preliminary versions of the draft standards have been reviewed by State and EPA programs managers in May and June 2001. EDSC members have also reviewed and recommended these draft standards for this public comment process.

Dated: September 28, 2001.

Mark Luttner,

Director, Office of Information Collection, Office of Environmental Information. [FR Doc. 01–24907 Filed 10–3–01; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6560–50–P

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-7069-9]

Amendment to Proposed Administrative Cashout Settlement Under Section 122(g) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act; In Re: Beede Waste Oil Superfund Site, Plaistow, NH

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of amendment to proposed administrative settlement and request for public comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 122(i) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response,

Compensation, and Liability Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 9622(i), notice is hereby given of an amendment to the proposed administrative settlement for recovery of past and projected future response costs concerning the Beede Waste Oil Superfund Site in Plaistow, New Hampshire with the settling parties listed in the Supplementary Information portion of this notice. A notice for public comment for the proposed administrative settlement, which is embodied in a CERCLA section 122(g) Administrative Order on Consent ("AOC"), was published in the **Federal** Register on September 13, 2001 (Volume 66, Number 178) (66 FR 47670). This amendment is to add three additional settling parties listed in the Supplementary Information portion of this notice and to amend the aggregate total to approximately \$1,662,814.40. For thirty (30) days following the date of publication of this amendment, the EPA will receive written comments relating to this amended notice of settlement. The EPA will consider all comments received and may modify or withdraw its consent to the settlement if comments received disclose facts or considerations which indicate that the settlement is inappropriate, improper, or inadequate. The EPA's response to any comments received will be available for public inspection at the EPA Records Center, 1 Congress Street, Boston, MA 02114-2023 (Telephone Number: 617-918-1440).

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before November 5, 2001.

ADDRESSES: The proposed settlement is available for public inspection at the EPA Records Center, 1 Congress Street, Boston, MA 02114-2023. Please call 617-918-1440 to schedule an appointment. A copy of the proposed settlement may be obtained from Kristin Balzano, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region I, 1 Congress Street, Suite 1100 (SES), Boston, MA 02114-2023 (Telephone Number: 617–918– 1772). Comments should reference the Beede Waste Oil Superfund Site in Plaistow, New Hampshire and EPA Docket No. CERCLA-1-2001-0041 and should be addressed to Kristin Balzano, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region I, 1 Congress Street, Suite 1100 (SES), Boston, MA 02114-2023.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Cindy Lewis, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region I, 1 Congress Street, Suite 1100 (SES), Boston, MA 02114–2023 (Telephone Number: 617– 918–1889).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following is a list of the additional settling parties: D&Z Auto Repair, East

Derry Garage Inc. d/b/a Dave Allen Lincoln-Mercury, and Sorco Corporation.

Dated: September 25, 2001.

Richard Cavagnero,

Deputy Director, Office of Site Remediation and Restoration, Region I.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-7071-9]

Notice of Proposed NPDES General Permit for Egg Production Operations in New Mexico, Oklahoma, and on Indian Lands in New Mexico and Oklahoma NMG800000 and OKG800000

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of draft NPDES general permits.

SUMMARY: EPA Region 6 is proposing to issue a general NPDES permit regulating discharges, or potential discharges, from egg production operations (EPOs). The United Egg Producers (UEP), a farmer cooperative that represents egg producers nationwide, has entered into an XL project agreement with EPA. This XL project will allow eligible EPOs to obtain permit coverage under a general permit, as an incentive for the industry's large producers to maintain environmentally superior facilities, if they implement a multi-media environmental management system (EMS). An EMS controls a range of significant environmental impacts including those not subject to regulation under the Clean Water Act, such as odor and pest control. Facilities that do not continue to comply with their general permit or do not adequately implement their EMS could be required to obtain individual NPDES permits. The project also includes a third-party auditing component and on-farm management practices most likely to result in superior environmental performance. Each facility's EMS will be required to pass the independent third-party audit before the facility can apply for coverage under the general permit.

DATES: Comments on this proposed permit must be submitted by December 3, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Comments on this proposed permit should be sent to the Regional Administrator, EPA Region 6, 1445 Ross Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75202–2733.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Diane Smith, EPA Region 6, 1445 Ross

Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75202–2733, telephone (214) 665–2145. Copies of the complete fact sheet and proposed permit may be obtained from Ms. Smith. The fact sheet and proposed permit can also be found on the Internet at http://www.epa.gov/earth1r6/6wq/6wq.htm. In addition, the current administrative record on the proposal is available for examination at the Region's Dallas offices during normal working hours after providing Ms. Smith 24 hours advanced notice.

Public Meetings

Public meetings on the proposed permit will be held at the locations listed below. The public meetings will include a presentation on the draft permit and a question and answer session. Written, but not oral, comments for the official permit record will be accepted at the public meetings.

Albuquerque, NM: November 1, 2001, 7 p.m. at the Albuquerque Technical Vocational Institute Workforce Training Center, Conference Room 106, 5600 Eagle Rock Ave. NE, Albuquerque, NM 87113.

Oklahoma City, OK: November 7, 2001, 7 p.m; at the Metro Tech Business Conference Center, Big Dipper Conference Room, 1900 Springlake Drive, Oklahoma City, OK 73111.

Public Hearings

EPA has not scheduled any public hearings to receive public comment concerning today's proposal. All persons will continue to have the right to provide written comments at any time during the public comment period. However, interested persons may request a public hearing pursuant to 40 CFR 124.12 concerning the proposed permit. Requests for a public hearing must be sent or delivered in writing to the same address as provided above for public comments prior to the close of the comment period. Requests for a public hearing must state the nature of the issues proposed to be raised in the hearing. Pursuant to 40 CFR 124.12, EPA shall hold a public hearing if it finds, on the basis of requests, a significant degree of public interest in the proposed permit. If EPA decides to hold a public hearing, a public notice of the date, time and place of the hearing will be made at least 30 days prior to the hearing. Any person may provide written or oral statements and data pertaining to the proposed permit at the public hearing.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Regulated categories and entities include:

Category	Examples of regulated entities
Industry	Operators of egg production operations.

This table is not intended to be exhaustive, but rather provides a guide for readers regarding entities likely to be regulated by this action. This table lists the types of entities that EPA is now aware could potentially be regulated by this action. Other types of entities not listed in the table could also be regulated. To determine whether your (facility, company, business, organization, etc.) is regulated by this action, you should carefully examine the applicability criteria in part I, section A.1 of this permit. If you have questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the person listed in the preceding **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

Section 301(a) of the Clean Water Act (CWA or the Act), 33 U.S.C. 1311(a), makes it unlawful to discharge pollutants to waters of the United States in the absence of authorizing permits. CWA section 402, 33 U.S.C. 1342, authorizes EPA to issue National Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permits allowing discharges on condition they will meet certain requirements, including CWA sections 301, 304, and 401 (33 U.S.C. 1331, 1314 and 1341). Those statutory provisions require that NPDES permits include effluent limitations requiring that authorized discharges: (1) meet standards reflecting levels of technological capability, (2) comply with EPA-approved state water quality standards and (3) comply with other state requirements adopted under authority retained by states under CWA 510, 33 U.S.C. 1370.

A. National Technology Guidelines

National guidelines establishing Best Available Technology (BAT) and New Source Performance Standards have been promulgated for certain sizes and types of facilities in the Feedlots Point Source Category and are codified at 40 CFR part 412. For laying hen operations, these guidelines apply to facilities having the capacity for 100,000 or more laying hens when the facility has unlimited continuous flow watering systems, and facilities having the capacity for 30,000 or more laying hens when the facility has liquid manure handling systems. The facilities potentially eligible to participate in this XL project have neither unlimited continuous flow watering systems nor liquid manure handling systems. These facilities have dry manure storage and