



# LIQUID WASTE HAULER PERMIT PROCESS

For the Liquid Waste Hauler Program

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Waste haulers or companies seeking to transport and subsequently discharge residential, commercial, institutional, or industrial liquid waste to the Metropolitan Council disposal sites must obtain an Industrial Discharge Permit from the Met Council. These permits are used by the Met Council to regulate the discharge of hauled liquid waste to approved disposal sites.

### Permit Application

An application for an Industrial Discharge Permit - Liquid Waste Hauler must be submitted to the Industrial Waste and Pollution Prevention (IWPP) section of the Met Council, along with the first year's permit fee. This fee is non-refundable. Within 90 days of receipt of the application, IWPP staff will approve the application and issue a permit or deny the request and state the reasons for denial.

### Permit Requirements

Any hauler or company that has obtained a Met Council permit must comply with the terms of that permit, discharge only at Met Council approved disposal sites, accurately report loads annually, semi-annually, or quarterly, and pay annual permit fees and load charges to the Met Council. Failure to meet these requirements can result in permit revocation and denied access to the Met Council disposal sites.

### Disposal Sites

The Met Council owns and operates five approved liquid waste hauler disposal sites within the MDS. Unless otherwise specified, all hauled liquid waste to be disposed of into the MDS must be discharged at one of these sites, and liquid waste haulers must comply with all security and safety requirements associated with these sites. Please be aware not all liquid waste types are accepted at each site. The hauler must confirm the facility accepts a given waste before transport and discharge. All industrial waste loads must be approved for disposal by IWPP staff prior to discharge.

### Waste Types and Load Charge System

All hauled liquid waste loads discharged under the provisions of the Met Council Liquid Waste Hauler Program are categorized as one of three types of waste; domestic, commercial, or industrial. Load charges are applied according to the type of waste discharged. The load charge system for the program was established so that an equitable charge is paid based on all discharges into the MDS. The load charge consists of:

- a volume component,
- a strength component,
- a facility fee, and
- a service fee if the source is outside the Met Council service area.

### Waste Generated Outside of the Metropolitan Area

No waste generated outside of the metropolitan area shall be disposed of into the MDS unless prior written approval has been obtained.