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Subject: End of 2016 Pretreatment Mailing

Dear Pretreatment Professionals:

As we draw to the close of another great pretreatment year, I wanted to provide you an update on some issues, inform you on this year's upcoming workshops and distribute the Pretreatment Program Info Database sheets.

- 1) NC Pretreatment Professionals Honor Roll: In case you missed the Annual Pretreatment Conference held September 25-27th in Wrightsville Beach, this year's addition to the Honor Roll is Sonny Penson with the Town of Forest City.
- 2) Dental Amalgam Rule: PERCS submitted comments to EPA on the proposed rule February 18, 2015. (<http://deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/water-resources/water-resources-permit-guidance/pretreatment-guide/mercury-guidance>). The release date for the final pretreatment rule is currently on hold.
- 3) Rules Review: The comments that were received have been addressed. Additional comment time will be provided during the public hearing process.
- 4) NPDES Permit Renewals: If your NPDES permit has been renewed since April 2016 then the reasonable potential analysis was evaluated for the hardness based, site specific water quality standards. Even if you did not receive new effluent limits for metals your headworks analysis will need to be updated to ensure it is protective of those site specific water quality standards. **An updated HWA must be submitted within 180 days of receipt of a NPDES renewal.** Please contact PERCS for assistance.
- 5) Division Review of IUPs: The Division continues implementation of the streamlined permit review process. After attending the IUP workshop and a thorough Division review of three program IUPs, a permit writer may be approved to participate in this process. Permits submitted under this process are not subject to a full Division review. Benefits to the POTW include less paperwork to submit and immediate approval of your permits. This workshop is presented on an "as requested" basis. **Please contact PERCS if interested in attending.**
- 6) Staff Assignments: Staff assignments remain the same. We continue to meet our goals for project review of 30 days for IUPs and SIU drops and 90 days for ERP, HWA, IWS, LTMP and SUO.

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- 7) Workshops: The following workshops are planned for 2017. The invitations and directions for these workshops are posted on the Training page: <http://deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/water-resources/water->

[resources-training/training/pretreatment-program-training](#). **Contact PERCS to register and please register early, as space is limited at each site.**

Pretreatment Annual Report (PAR) – January 18th (Statesville) and January 23rd (Wilson).

Headworks Analysis (HWA) – January 19th (Statesville) and January 24th (Wilson). [HWA workshops may be re-scheduled if not enough students sign up].

- 8) Pretreatment Program Info Database Sheets: Please review your attached program info sheet(s) and historical SNC sheet(s), if applicable, and make necessary updates to any of the information presented. Send the corrected sheets back with your PAR, due **March 1, 2017**. If all the information was correct, please indicate that in your PAR. Especially note the due dates as this may be the only reminder you get. Please note:
- a. All pretreatment programs (full and modified) must submit a PPS form with their PAR per an EPA requirement of the State. **Please note this form has changed slightly to reflect how the State must submit information to EPA.**
 - b. Historical SNC sheets only list currently Active SIUs that had SNCs from 2009-2015.
 - c. Forms are available for download on our website: <http://deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/water-resources/water-resources-permit-guidance/pretreatment-guide/annual-report-guidance>
- 9) Email Addresses: PERCS often uses email to send out mass mailings. To make this an effective and cost saving tool, we ask that you keep PERCS updated on your current email address as well as which staff member is the “primary” contact for your POTW - see “prim” field next to staff names on Program Info sheet, and email field below names. For programs with more staff than the printed sheet is able to show, a separate contacts page has been included. Please make any staff changes on that sheet and return to PERCS with the PAR.

As always, please contact your pretreatment staff member (as listed above) or me at 919-807-6383 [[email: Deborah.Gore@ncdenr.gov](mailto:Deborah.Gore@ncdenr.gov)] with any questions or comments.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures: Program Info Sheet(s)

Historical SNC Sheet(s), if applicable

Cc: PERCS Pretreatment Staff (electronic copy)
Regional Office Pretreatment Staff (electronic copy)
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