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LAWNDALE AVENUE SOLIDS MANAGEMENT AREA

MONITORING REPORT FOR

FIRST QUARTER 2021



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Ms. Catherine Siders Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Bureau of Water DWPC Compliance Section #19 1021 North Grand Avenue East P.O. Box 19276 Springfield, Illinois 62794-9274

Dear Ms. Siders:

Subject: Lawndale Avenue Solids Management Area - Stickney Water Reclamation Plant, Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Permit No. 2020-AO-64903, Monitoring Report for January, February, and March 2021

The attached tables contain the monitoring data for the Lawndale Avenue Solids Management Area for January, February, and March 2021 as required by Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) Operating Permit No. 2020-AO-64903. Biosolids were not placed in the solids drying area in the first quarter of 2021.

<u>Table 1</u> Analysis of Water From Monitoring Wells M-11 through M-15 at the Lawndale Avenue Solids Management Area Sampled in March 2021.

<u>Table 2</u> Analysis of Water From Lysimeters L-1N through L-9N at the Lawndale Avenue Solids Management Area Sampled in March 2021.

Very truly yours,

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TABLE 1: ANALYSIS OF WATER FROM MONITORING WELLS M-11 THROUGH M-15 AT THE LAWNDALE AVENUE SOLIDS MANAGEMENT AREA SAMPLED IN MARCH 2021¹

Domonator	Monitoring Well No. M-11 M-12 M-13 M-14 M-15						
Parameter	IVI-11	M-12	M-13	WI-14	M-15		
pН	7.5	7.7	7.6	7.1	7.3		
			mg L ⁻¹				
Cl ⁻ SO ₄ ²⁻	21 207	15 358	10 649	10 132	9 835		
$NO_2^- + NO_3^ N$	<0.25	<0.25	<0.25	0.46	<0.25		

¹Well M-14 was sampled on March 22, 2021. Wells M-11 and M-12 were sampled on March 23, 2021. Wells M-13 and M-15 were sampled on March 30, 2021.

TABLE 2: ANALYSIS OF WATER FROM LYSIMETERS L-1N THROUGH L-9N AT THE LAWNDALE AVENUE SOLIDS MANAGEMENT AREA SAMPLED IN MARCH 2021^1

			Lysimeter No.						
Parameter	L-1N	L-2N	L-3N	L-4N	L-5N	L-6N	L-7N	L-8N	L-9N
pН	7.4	7.7	7.3	7.2	7.8	7.1	8.0	8.0	7.6
					- mg L ⁻¹				
Cl ⁻	19	160	143	24	559	86	293	399	377
SO_4^{2-}	802	155	58	1,556	1,585	1,427	10	143	186
NO_2 - $+NO_3$ - N	< 0.25	0.38	0.33	0.65	0.92	< 0.25	0.37	0.41	0.30

¹Lysimeters were sampled on March 4, 2021. L-1N, L-3N, L-4N, and L-6N were dry and re-sampled on March 16, 2021.