

Resolution 24-047

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A PUBLIC NOTICE
PRIOR TO RENEWAL OF AN INDUSTRIAL SEWER CONNECTION PERMIT FOR

**GANNET CORPORATION, dba:
NORTH JERSEY MEDIA GROUP
100 COMMONS WAY
TOWNSHIP OF ROCKAWAY, NEW JERSEY**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ROCKAWAY VALLEY REGIONAL SEWERAGE AUTHORITY (RVRSA) AS FOLLOWS:

The Executive Director, JoAnn Mondisini, is hereby authorized to issue a public notice of the commencement of the 30-day public comment period, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:14A-15.10 and N.J.A.C. 7:14A-15.11, prior to consideration of an Industrial Sewer Connection Permit renewal for North Jersey Media Group, 100 Commons Way, Township of Rockaway, NJ.

The proposed form of Industrial Sewer Connection Permit is marked Schedule "A," attached hereto and made a part hereof, a copy of which is also on file at the offices of RVRSA. The terms and conditions proposed include renewal of existing terms and conditions and updating of effluent limitations consistent with local limits study dated November 2014, last revised December 2016, including April 14, 2017 Addendum, approved by NJDEP on April 24, 2017.

I hereby certify that this Resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Rockaway Valley Regional Authority held on May 9, 2024.

On motion of: Commissioner Corbett

and second by: Commissioner Howarth

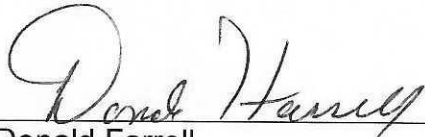
And a Roll Call Vote as Follows:

Yeas: (8) Andes, Cegelka, Corbett, Farrell, Howarth, Isselin, Lavert, and Schorno.

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

Absent: (2) Potter and Zuppa.



Donald Farrell
Board Secretary

Schedule A



FACT SHEET

Gannett Corporation, dba: North Jersey Media Group

This fact sheet sets forth the principal facts and the significant factual, legal, and policy considerations examined during preparation of the draft permit.

PERMIT ACTION:	Renewal Industrial Sewer Connection Permit Effective Date: 10/01/2024 Expiration Date: 09/30/2027
PERMITEE NAME AND ADDRESS:	Gannett Corporation, dba: North Jersey Media Group 100 Commons Way Rockaway, NJ 07866
FACILITY NAME AND ADDRESS:	Gannett Corporation, dba: North Jersey Media Group Inc. 100 Commons Way Rockaway, NJ 07866
FACILITY CONTACT INFORMATION:	Joe Vrabel Operations Manager Phone No.: (732) 822-2223 JVrabel@gannettnj.com
RECEIVING LOCAL AGENCY:	Rockaway Valley Regional Sewerage Authority
RECEIVING COLLECTION SYSTEM:	Local collection system owned and operated by the Township of Rockaway.

DESCRIPTION OF FACILITY OPERATIONS:

The Gannett Corporation, dba: North Jersey Media Group primary activity at this facility is newspaper printing, with accompanying warehouse and office space. Gannett Corporation, dba: North Jersey Media Group's SIC code is 2711 (Newspaper Publishing, or Publishing and Printing). This facility is classified as an Industrial User of Concern discharging approximately 22,680 gallons per day (GPD), monthly average, of combined wastestream (17,680 GPD – Sanitary waste, 5,000 GPD Process waste) generated from its printing press operation and offices. The wastes are metered leaving the facility. Sanitary and process wastes are metered and calculated separately; one (1) meter for process wastes and two (2) meters are used to calculate the sanitary waste discharge. All three (3) meters are read monthly (beginning of the month) and are calibrated annually.

The wastewater is being pretreated prior to discharge. The pretreatment consists of neutralization (pH correction), and spill protection.



DESCRIPTION OF DISCHARGE LOCATION(S) (see attached Figure 1):

Name: 001
Latitude: 40° 55' 27.32" N
Longitude: 74° 29' 37.44" W
Description: Settling Tank (located inside building) – PROCESS ONLY

SUMMARY OF PERMIT CONDITIONS (see attached Table 1):

The following pollutants are regulated: BOD₅, CBOD₅, Total Suspended Solids (TSS), Total Dissolved Solids (TDS), pH, Oil & Grease (HEM), Total Petroleum Hydrocarbon (TPHC), Total Phosphorus, Ammonia-Nitrogen (NH₃-N), Phenol, Chromium (Cr), Copper (Cu), Lead (Pb), Nickel (Ni), Zinc (Zn), Cyanide, and PFAS.

The basis for the limitations established is summarized in the local limits evaluation report titled RVRSA Local Limit Study, dated November 2014, last revised December 2016, including April 14, 2017 Addendum; approved by the NJDEP on April 24, 2017, and approved by the RVRSA board on August 10, 2017 and on December 14, 2017. Note: If site-specific data is available to demonstrate that a particular parameter is not detected at a specific concentration, a local limit for that parameter may not be set in this permit.

Below is a summary of key aspects of this renewal application.

1. Flow: Flow limitation is carried over from the previous permit.
2. Parameters of Concern: During the previous permit cycle, NJMG exceeded the permit limits of the following parameters: CBOD
3. Other parameters: PFAS: Due to the ongoing regulatory restriction of PFAS in water supplies, as a precautionary measure, RVRSA is requiring NJMG to sample and analyze for PFAS, "Monitor Only".

VARIANCES OR ALTERNATIVES TO PERMIT CONDITIONS:

None

REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO THIS PERMIT ACTION:

This permit is issued in accordance with N.J.S.A 58:10A-6f, N.J.A.C. 7:14A-19.8, and 40 CFR Part 403.8. Requirements for the contents of this Fact Sheet are in accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:14A-15.8.

INDUSTRIAL PRETREATMENT PROGRAM CONTACT PERSON:

Additional information concerning this permit may be obtained from Natalie Pisarcik, RVRSA IPP Coordinator, at 973-263-1555 ext. 213.



TABLE – 1 : DISCHARGE LIMITATIONS

**GANNETT CORPORATION, dba:
 NORTH JERSEY MEDIA GROUP**

PROCESS Sample Location: 001: Settling Tank (located inside building)

Parameter	Daily Max. Limit	Mo. Avg. Limit	Sample Frequency	Sample-Type
Flow	Report	22,680 GPD (4)	Continuous	Metered
CBOD ₅	500 mg/L (1)(2)		Monthly	Composite (5)
TSS	500 mg/L (1)(2)		Monthly	Composite (5)
TDS	Report		Monthly	Composite (5)
pH	5.5 - 9.5 SU (1)(3)		Monthly	Grab
O & G (HEM)	350 mg/L (1)		Monthly	Grab
BOD ₅	Report		Quarterly (6)	Composite (5)
NH ₃ -N	80 mg/L (1)(2)		Quarterly (6)	Composite (5)
Phenol	Report		Quarterly (6)	Grab
Phosphorus (Total)	Report		Quarterly (6)	Composite (5)
Chromium	1.3 mg/L (1)		Annually (7)	Composite (5)
Copper	1.7 mg/L (1)		Annually (7)	Composite (5)
Lead	1.0 mg/L (1)		Annually (7)	Composite (5)
Nickel	0.8 mg/L (1)		Annually (7)	Composite (5)
Zinc	2.1 mg/L (1)		Annually (7)	Composite (5)
TPHC	150 mg/L (1)	100 mg/L (1)	Annually (7)	Grab
Cyanide	0.5 mg/L (1)		Annually (7)	Grab
PFAS (8)	Report		Annually (7)	Grab

Notes:

- (1) Discharge limits are based upon limits established in the local limits evaluation report entitled RVRSA Local Limit Study, prepared by Kleinfelder, dated November 2014, last revised December 2016, including April 14, 2017 Addendum; approved by the NJDEP on April 24, 2017, and approved by the RVRSA board on August 10, 2017 and December 14, 2017.
- (2) CBOD₅ or TSS concentration exceeding 250 mg/l and NH₃-N concentration exceeding 40 mg/L are subject to the Surcharge for Wastewaters of Excessive Strength as per Section 8B of this ISCP. Permittee may not



discharge over the CBOD₅ limit of 500 mg/L, the TSS limit of 500 mg/L, or the NH₃-N limit of 80 mg/L unless a variance has been issued by the RVRSA providing therefore. Discharges above the above stated limitations will be considered a permit violation and subject to applicable enforcement actions.

- (3) The pH sample shall be analyzed by a NJDEP certified lab, within 15 minutes of collection of the sample.
- (4) Flow limitation is a total of combined process sand sanitary flows. Monthly average flow of not more than 22,680 gallons per day (GPD).
- (5) Composite samples shall be collected using a time proportional composite sampler. A time proportional composite sample shall be a representative composite of the regulated process discharge (e.g. 24-hour composite sample for 24-hour process operation/discharge; 15-hour composite sample for 15-hour process operation/discharge, etc.)
- (6) The "Quarterly" sampling shall occur during the following months:
 - 2024: January, April, July, October
 - 2025: February, May, August, November
 - 2026: March, June, September, December
 - 2027: January, April, July, October
- (7) The "Annually" sample period shall correspond to the January – December calendar year and shall be collected/sampled in a different QUARTER each year of the permit.
- (8) Per-and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) – the following PFAS compounds are required to be reported using draft EPA method 1633 by a New Jersey certified laboratory:
 - Perfluorobutanoic acid (PFBA)
 - Perfluoropentanoic acid (PFPeA)
 - Perfluorohexanoic acid (PFHxA)
 - Perfluoroheptanoic acid (PFHpA)
 - Perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA)
 - Perfluorononanoic acid (PFNA)
 - Perfluorodecanoic acid (PFDA)
 - Perfluoroundecanoic acid (PFUnA)
 - Perfluorododecanoic acid (PFDoA)
 - Perfluorotridecanoic acid (PFTriA)
 - Perfluorotetradecanoic acid (PFTeA)
 - Perfluorobutanesulfonic acid (PFBS)
 - Perfluorohexanesulfonic acid (PFHxS)



- Perfluorooctanesulfonic acid (PFOS)
- Hexafluoropropylene oxide dimer acid (HFPO-DA or GenX)

Additional Notes:

The Self-Monitoring Report (SMR) is due and shall be received by the RVRSA office on or before the 21st day of the month following the sampling month, or next business day (if date shall fall on a weekend and/or holiday). If no pollutant sample is collected or analyzed during a month, then the monthly report shall include at least flow data.

Parameters shall be tested according to monitoring frequency and submitted in accordance to the SMR along with copies of analytical results and the chain of custody. All SMR's submitted must comply and contain the signatory requirement as required under 40 CFR § 403.6 (a)(2)(ii) and it must be signed by a responsible corporate officer as required under 40 CFR § 403.12(l).

Copies of manifests for process wastewater trucked offsite for disposal shall be made available for review by our offices.

As per Section 9A of the ISCP, in the event the Permittee does not comply with or will be unable to comply with, any effluent limitation or prohibition in this Permit, the Permittee shall immediately telephone and notify the RVRSA of such noncompliance or accidental discharge. The notification shall include the location of the discharge, type of waste, concentration and volume. The permittee shall notify the following personnel:

1. Industrial Pretreatment Coordinator: 973-263-1555 ext. 213
2. Licensed Operator/Plant Manager: 973-263-1555 ext. 232
3. Plant Operators: 973-464-8001 (Off-Hours: 3:30pm – 7:00am, M-F & weekends)



FIGURE 1: Sampling Location Pictures

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SAMPLING LOCATION (Discharge location: 001)
Settling Tank (located inside building)



Sampling Point: Located in Sewer Room in Building



NJMG Sampler Refrigerator