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Jim La Spina
Water Quality Program
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RE: Comments on Draft Industrial Stormwater General Permit

Dear Mr. La Spina:

Tim's Cascade Snacks is a relatively small but growing operation in the State of Washington. We fall under the regulations of Washington Department of Ecology. We are in agreement with NWFPA comments regarding complexity of the "Draft Industrial Stormwater General Permit" and the hardship it will place on larger business, let alone the impact to a small business such as Tim's Cascade Snacks.

Time should be taken now to reduce the complexity of the permit and get it to a level of understanding that makes it easy to apply in a manner that shows responsibility to the environment while not overburdening the business's that locate within Washington. As noted in the comments from NWFPA the sheer size of the document and reference to Eastern or Western Stormwater Management Manuals makes this extremely cumbersome and prone to failure from various areas open to possible miss-interpretations.

Please take the time now to address all the issues associated with the new permit process and simplify where possible.

Sincerely,

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