

February 8, 2012
NOTICE OF SURFACE WATER DISCHARGE
APPLICATION AND RECOMMENDATION

The South Dakota Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) has received an application for the issuance of a Surface Water Discharge (SWD) permit from the following applicant:

APPLICANT NAME: **Valley Queen Cheese Factory, Inc.**

PERMIT NUMBER: **SD0027987**

FACILITY LOCATION: **Located directly across the road from the Valley Queen
Cheese factory in Section 7, Township 120 North, Range
48 West, in Grant County**

MAILING ADDRESS: **200 E. Railway Ave.
Milbank, SD 57252**

The renewal of the Surface Water Discharge permit will allow the discharge of treated wastewater from the Valley Queen Cheese Factory, Inc.'s wastewater treatment facility. Any discharge from this facility will enter SOUTH FORK WHETSTONE RIVER. SOUTH FORK WHETSTONE RIVER has been assigned the following beneficial uses:

- (5) Warmwater semipermanent fish life propagation waters;
- (6) Warmwater marginal fish life propagation waters;
- (8) Limited contact recreation waters;
- (9) Fish and wildlife propagation, recreation, and stock watering waters; and
- (10) Irrigation waters.

Tentative determinations regarding the water quality limits for any discharge and other conditions have been made by DENR. The Surface Water Discharge permit specifies the quality of water that can be discharged and still protect the uses of the receiving water. The proposed discharge permit and supporting document are available from DENR at the address listed below.

In accordance with the Administrative Rules of South Dakota, Chapter 74:50:02, any person desiring to comment on the Department's recommendation for the conditional issuance of this permit must submit written comments to the below address within the specified thirty (30) day comment period. Comments may be directed to the following address: South Dakota Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Division of Environmental Services, Surface Water Quality Program, Joe Foss Building, 523 East Capitol, Pierre, SD 57501-3181. Any person desiring a public hearing must file a petition which complies with the ARSD 74:50:02. If no objections are received within the specified 30-day period, the Secretary will issue final determinations within sixty days of the date of this notice.

Additional information may be obtained by calling Jonathan Hill, with DENR, at (605) 773-3351, or by writing to the address listed above.



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