

(g) *Inspections.* The EPA Regional Administrator may, under authority of 40 CFR 125.13 and 125.22, make site visits and inspections for the purpose of evaluating facilities prior to issuance of an NPDES permit and for the purpose of monitoring compliance with the terms of an issued permit.

(h) *Cooperation with State and regional authorities.* The EPA Regional Administrator, or his designated representative has full and legal authority to make site inspections of Army facilities. However, installation commanders will on the basis of reasonable, specific requests extend the same privileges to authorized state and regional pollution control authorities.

(i) *Security restrictions.* When representatives from Federal, State, or regional environmental pollution control agencies inspect facilities, examine operating records, and make tests to determine adherence to environmental performance specifications, security requirement must be met and the inspectors will be accompanied by either engineer or medical technical representatives designated by the appropriate major Army commander.

(j) *Information requests.* The EPA regional office is the responsible Federal agency regarding enforcement of all water pollution control requirements at Federal facilities in that region. Water pollution control information emanating from Federal facilities should go through the applicable EPA regional office. Therefore, requests for permit related information by state or regional authorities or by responsible members of the general public, should be directed to the applicable EPA regional office (subpart A of this part).

§ 650.67 Ocean dumping permits.

Permits for the dumping or discharge of materials into ocean waters, other than transportation of dredged material for purpose of dumping in ocean waters, are issued by the EPA. There are two types of permits, one which governs a general category of dumping and one which governs the dumping of special materials. The Administrator of EPA can issue general permits. The authority for issuing most special permits has been delegated to the EPA Regional Offices. Controls governing

ocean dumping can be found in 40 CFR parts 220 through 227, "Regulations and Criteria, Transportation for Dumping, and Dumping of Material into Ocean Waters." Most permits require information on the type of pollutant or effluent being discharged or dumped, its quantity and frequency and location of discharge. Permits require monitoring and documentation.

§ 650.68 Corps of Engineers permits.

The construction of any structure in or over a navigable water of the United States, the excavating from or depositing of dredged or fill material in such waters, the accomplishment of any other work affecting the course, condition, location, or capacity of such waters, the discharge of dredged or fill material in navigable waters, and the transportation of dredged material for the purpose of dumping it in ocean waters requires a permit from the Corps of Engineers and will be processed in accordance with 33 CFR 209.120. Application for this permit is made to the local District Engineer. Applications are available from Corps of Engineers District Offices and will be completed for all projects or activities not under the design and supervision of the Chief of Engineers.

§ 650.69 State permits.

(a) Cooperating with and providing information to State and regional authorities does not include making application for State permits of any kind nor obtaining a water quality certification from the State for any activity involving the discharge of a pollutant into navigable waters. Where information or data is to be provided a State authority on a prescribed registration form and authenticated, Army installation commanders will comply with all reasonable requests and forward same with a disclaimer that:

While Federal law does not require military installations to apply for State permits or obtain State water quality certifications, this installation is desirous of complying with the objectives of State and Federal pollution control programs. However, completion of this form is not to be construed as an application for permit. To the best of my knowledge, the information presented herein is correct.