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Dear NPDES Storm Water Permittee:

As a current construction storm water permittee, we have some important information of interest to you. On June 2, 1997, EPA proposed a new draft NPDES Construction Storm Water Permit for the States of Texas and New Mexico, and Indian Country lands in Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas. This permit will replace the current permit which expires September 9, 1997. To review the draft permit, please refer to the June 2, 1997, Federal Register [62 FR 29785], or visit the Internet at: "www.epa.gov/earth1r6/6en/w/sw/hottopcn.htm".

On July 10, 1997, EPA Region 6 will be holding both an informal public meeting and a formal public hearing on the draft permit. The public meeting will begin at 9:00 am and will explain the requirements of the proposed permit. The public hearing will begin at 1:00 pm and will provide an opportunity to submit written and/or oral comments for the official record. Both the public meeting and public hearing will be held at the EPA Region 6 offices located at 1445 Ross Ave., 12th Floor, Dallas, Texas. Written or electronic comments can also be submitted through August 1, 1997, to the addresses indicated in the Federal Register notice for the draft permit. If you have further questions, please call EPA's Storm Water Hotline at (800) 245-6510.

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