

Note for Operators in the Marine Industry Discharging Stormwater into Massachusetts Waters:

For Operators that have sought or received coverage for their primary or co-located industrial activities under Sector Q: Water Transportation or Sector R: Ship and Boat Building and Repairing Yards, MassDEP recently modified its water quality certification of the 2008 MSGP with respect to the required benchmark monitoring parameters originally included in Part 9.1.2.5. MassDEP has eliminated the metal tributyltin in its entirety as a state-specific monitoring parameter as originally included for Sectors Q and R. Based upon this and a request from an affected permittee to remove tributyltin as a required monitoring parameter, EPA has modified the 2008 MSGP to reflect MassDEP's modified water quality certification pursuant to 40 CFR 124.55(b). EPA will notice the availability of the modified permit in the Federal Register on May 28, 2009 and make it available at its MSGP website: <http://cfpub.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater/msgp.cfm>.