



DATE: June 22, 2021

TO: Business Owner

FROM: Sonnie Dance- Environmental Compliance Inspector-
Corning Wastewater Treatment Facility
Inframark

RE: Important Sewer Regulations Affecting Businesses
Pretreatment Monitoring Program - 2021

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board has required the City of Corning to implement a sewer pollution prevention and pretreatment program. This program has been an ongoing development within the City. As businesses change and/or leave the City, updated information is necessary to assure our records are accurate. Inframark, as the City of Corning's sewer system contract operator, is performing its annual evaluation of your establishment and assuring all regulations set forth by the State are adhered to. Our evaluations will include, but not limited to, on site evaluation and survey of each business, assessment/documentation of proper disposal of fats, oil and grease products (FOG) and sampling of grease traps or interceptors if necessary. Inframark has the responsibility, as the City's representative to work with the Corning Businesses to prevent the accidental or illegal discharge of hazardous pollutants into the sewer system. The pretreatment program is in accordance with City Ordinance 541, which began in 1993.

As a Friendly reminder, City Ordinance 541, Article V. Enforcement, Section 13.04.432 Violation of sewer use regulations may result in termination of service. The city may



revoke any wastewater discharge permit, or terminate or cause to be terminated wastewater service to any premises, if a violation of any provisions of this chapter is found to exist or if a discharge of wastewater cause or threatens to cause a condition of contamination, pollution or nuisance as defined in this chapter.

We will be surveying businesses within the City limits to determine what pollutants, if any, including fats, oil and grease, which might have the potential or might have been discharged into the sewer system from each facility. All facilities are subject to inspection. All sewer dischargers must comply with all laws, regulations, standards and requirements contained in the City of Corning Sewer Use Rules and Regulations. There is a copy of the Ordinance on file at the treatment Plant and City Hall for review if necessary.

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board monitors the City program as mandated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Currently, our City Pretreatment Program is not being "EPA mandated". As long as the City of Corning establishes a workable program that prevents pollution violations, the Federal EPA will leave the enforcement responsibility with the City and the State. A non-mandated EPA program is far less stringent than a Federal mandated program.

The Pretreatment Program Implemented here in Corning is intended to "Protect" the environment, the local community, the Wastewater Treatment Plant and Plant personnel from the adverse effects of industrial waste discharges to the sewer system.

Inframark and the City of Corning realize there are many requirements to operate your business within the City limits. However, we need to properly dispose of FOG to prevent sewer line back-ups and/or overflows, which could lead to potential fines. The City and Inframark appreciate your assistance in regard to this ongoing program. Based on our evaluation, we will discuss any findings that we may have with the appropriate personnel. I would be happy to educate you more on this subject matter if you have any further questions. Please feel free to contact me at your convenience at 530-824-5863.

I have enclosed a pumping report sheet for your convenience. Please complete every time you remove your wastes, regardless of the method utilized, and have posted for our review during an inspection. In addition, please mail to P.O. Box 230 Corning CA, 96021 and or



email a copy of the pumping report during the first week of the month. We need documentation on all activity on your grease traps or interceptors in that monthly period.

Please email to sonnie.dance@inframark.com or mitch.ampi@inframark.com

Sincerely,

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Cc: Mitch Amp- Inframark
Robin Kampmann- City of Corning – Public Works