SECTION 3

LEGAL AUTHORITY

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Sonoma Valley County Sanitation District
(Ordinance No. 28)

Sonoma Valley County Sanitation District's Legal Authority, Ordinance No. 28 Adopting Uniform Practices Governing (1) the use of Sanitation Facilities of the Sonoma Valley County Sanitation District, (2) The Construction of Sanitation Facilities, (3) A source Control Program, (4) A Grease, Oil, and Sand Interceptor Program, (5) An Enforcement Program, (6) Establishing Various Administrative Procedures and Related Matters, and (7) Repealing Certain Existing Related Ordinances. This regulation is adopted under the authorization of Division 5, comprising Sections 4700 through 4857 and Sections 5470 through 5474.10 of the Health and Safety Code of the State of California and California Government Code Section 54738, et seq. The legal authority needed to implement a pretreatment program is listed in 40 CFR 403.8 (f) (1).

This Ordinance sets forth uniform requirements for contributors to the wastewater collection and treatment system of the District, and enables the District to comply with all applicable State and Federal laws required by the Clean Water Act of 1977, as amended, and the General Pretreatment Regulations (40 CFR Part 403) which are on file at the District Office.

The objectives of this Ordinance are to:

A. Comply with the laws of the State of California and of the United States relating to the protection of the environment, control of water pollution, disposal of hazardous wastes, and pretreatment of industrial discharges to Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTW).

B. Prevent the introduction of wastes into the District's wastewater system which will interfere with the operations of the system or other District operations.

C. Prevent the introduction of wastes into the District's wastewater system which will pass through the system, inadequately treated, into receiving waters or the atmosphere or otherwise be incompatible with the system's overall operations.

D. Prevent introduction of toxic substances to the District's wastewater system which could impair treatment processes or reach the environment in toxic amounts.

E. Prevent the introduction of wastes into the system which may affect the District's ability to dispose of its ash, sludge, or other residuals.

F. Improve the opportunity to recycle and reclaim wastewater and sludge from the system.

G. Prevent the introduction of wastes that may be inadequately treated by District facilities and may adversely affect the environment, or may cause a violation of the District's National Pollution discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit(s), or may contribute to the need for modification of the District's NPDES Permit(s).

H. Protect district Personnel while conducting activities related to the collection, treatment, and disposal of wastes through District facilities.

I. Prevent a public hazard or public nuisance arising from the collection, treatment, and disposal of wasted through District system.

J. Prevent the introduction of wastes to sewers connected to the District system that could result in the District being classified as a hazardous waste treatment, storage, or disposal facility under the laws of the State of California or the United States.

K. Provide for equitable distribution of the costs of the District's source control program.

This Ordinance sets forth terms and conditions for the addition of new contributors to the District's wastewater collection systems including design, construction, and inspections requirements, and guidelines for establishing connection fees and development review services.

This Ordinance provides for the regulation of contributors to the District's wastewater collection system through enforcement of general requirements for users and through the issuance of permits or permit contracts to certain users; authorizes monitoring and enforcement activities; require user reporting where applicable; establishes administrative review procedures; and establishes the guidelines for establishing fees to provide equitable distribution associated with maintaining a source control program.

This Ordinance shall apply to all discharges within jurisdiction of the District and to discharges from other governmental bodies or agencies who, by contract or agreement with the District, are users of the District's treatment plant. Except as otherwise provided herein, the General Manager/Chief Engineer of the District shall administer, implement, and enforce the provisions of this Ordinance.