



Plant McDonough-Atkinson

Monthly Dewatering Results¹

March 2019

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Parameter	Units	Effluent Concentration		Permit Limits	
		Minimum	Maximum	Daily Avg	Daily Max
Flow	MGD	0.0	0.33	***	***
pH	SU	6.64	7.68	6.0 - 9.0	
Total Suspended Solids	mg/L	ND ²	1.4	30.0	100.0
Oil and Grease	mg/L	ND	ND	15.0	20.0

Parameter	Units	Measured Effluent Concentration			
		3/5/2019	3/13/2019	3/18/2019	3/26/2019
Turbidity	NTU	10	2.92	10	10
Total Dissolved Solids	mg/L	230	700	790	820
Ammonia	mg/L	0.15	0.7	0.86	0.49
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen	mg/L	0.2	0.67	0.91	0.64
Nitrate-Nitrite	mg/L	0.27	0.36	0.61	0.58
Organic Nitrogen	mg/L	ND	0.6	ND	ND
Phosphorus	mg/L	ND	ND	ND	ND
Ortho-Phosphorus	mg/L	ND	ND	ND	ND
Biological Oxygen Demand	mg/L	ND	ND	ND	ND
Hardness	mg/L	130	420	470	490

Parameter	Units	Effluent Concentration ³				Calculated River Value ³				Water Quality Standard ⁴
		3/5/2019	3/13/2019	3/18/2019	3/26/2019	3/5/2019	3/13/2019	3/18/2019	3/26/2019	
Arsenic	μg/L	ND	1.3	1.6	3.3	***	0.0026	0.0036	0.0067	340
Cadmium	μg/L	ND	2.6	3	ND	***	0.0006	0.0067	***	1
Chromium ⁵	μg/L	ND	ND	ND	ND	***	***	***	***	16
Copper	μg/L	ND	ND	ND	ND	***	***	***	***	7
Lead	μg/L	ND	ND	ND	ND	***	***	***	***	30
Nickel	μg/L	5.7	41	54	28	0.0127	0.0875	0.1201	0.0601	260
Selenium ⁶	μg/L	12	12	8.1	9.5	0.0267	0.0267	0.0180	0.0211	5
Zinc	μg/L	ND	44	42	30	***	0.0798	0.0934	0.0554	65
Mercury	ng/L	22.0	0.84	1.1	0.96	0.0489	0.0003	0.0024	0.0003	1400

¹ Tetra Tech verifies the correct laboratory analysis methods were used, any applicable permit limits have been met and other results are protective of Georgia EPD's water quality standards.

² ND = Not Detected.

³ Calculated River Value shows what the total effluent concentration looks like once it has fully mixed in the receiving waterbody. This value is calculated as a dissolved concentration for an appropriate comparison to the numeric water quality criteria, which are also in the dissolved form. Consistent with Georgia EPD, non-detectable effluent concentrations are not translated into calculated river values.

⁴ Numeric Water Quality Criteria is the maximum concentration of a parameter (calculated at a default hardness of 50 mg/L as calcium carbonate) established for the receiving waterbody that will be protective of the designated use per Georgia EPD's rules and regulations. Calculated River Values less than these criteria are protective of the waterbody.

⁵ Numeric water quality criterion shown is for Hexavalent Chromium.


⁶ The numeric water quality criterion shown is the chronic (long-term) water quality criterion for selenium since this parameter does not have an acute (short-term) water quality criterion.

*** = Not Applicable

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Monthly Instream Results¹

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Parameter ³	Units	Chattahoochee River ²			
		3/13/2019 UpStream	3/13/2019 DownStream	3/18/2019 UpStream	3/18/2019 DownStream
pH	SU	6.34	6.36	7.36	7.1
TSS	mg/L	14	14	13	15
O&G	mg/L	ND	ND	ND	ND
Turbidity	NTU	4.8	4.6	4.8	3.5
TDS	mg/L	48	44	40	46
BOD	mg/L	ND	ND	ND	ND
Arsenic	µg/L	ND	ND	ND	ND
Cadmium	µg/L	ND	ND	ND	ND
Chromium	µg/L	ND	ND	ND	ND
Copper	µg/L	ND	ND	ND	ND
Lead	µg/L	ND	ND	ND	ND
Mercury	ng/L	1.7	2.1	1.7	1.6
Nickel	µg/L	ND	ND	ND	ND
Selenium	µg/L	ND	ND	ND	ND
Zinc	µg/L	ND	ND	ND	ND
Ammonia	mg/L	ND	ND	ND	ND
TKN	mg/L	0.37	0.30	0.25	0.23
Nitrate-Nitrite	mg/L	0.65	0.65	0.67	0.68
Organic Nitrogen	mg/L	0.37	0.30	0.25	0.23
Phosphorus	mg/L	ND	ND	ND	ND
Ortho-phosphorus	mg/L	ND	ND	ND	ND
Hardness	mg/L	17	18	17	17

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2 Chattahoochee River measured 500ft upstream and 500ft downstream of Outfall 03.

3 Metals results are total recoverable.

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