

Enforcement Case Summary -- January-June 2024

Public date	Case type	Company or individual(s) (location)	Violation Location	Violation(s)	Net penalty
2/2/2024	STIP	American Crystal Sugar Company (Moorhead, MN)	East Grand Forks	Air quality-The company violated several air quality conditions, including releasing more hydrogen sulfide and particulate matter than its permit allows between 2020 and 2022.	\$350,000
3/11/2024	STIP	Young Life, d/b/a Young Life Castaway Club (Colorado Springs, CO)	Detroit Lakes	Municipal wastewater-The club violated several wastewater regulations, including modifying wastewater treatment systems without approval and improperly discharging hot tub wastewater at its youth and family camp between 2019 and 2022.	\$152,815
4/17/2024	STIP	Elliot Auto Supply Co., Inc. (Eagan, MN)	Saint Paul	Hazardous waste-The company improperly stored hazardous waste, allowed them to accumulate and leak inside its vehicle fluid manufacturing facility in St. Paul, Minn.	\$75,000
1/22/2024	STIP	POET Biorefining - Glenville, LLC (Albert Lea, MN)	Albert Lea	Air quality-The facility emitted more particulate matter and volatile organic compounds than allowed by permit over the course of five years.	\$52,805
2/1/2024	STIP	Carver County (Chaska, MN); Valley Paving, Inc. (Shakopee, MN)	Watertown	Construction stormwater-Violations included failing to protect nearby waters and wetlands from erosion and runoff during a highway safety improvement project in the fall 2022 and spring 2023 near Watertown, Minn.	\$50,000
1/3/2024	STIP	David Rose d/b/a Tower RV Resort Cooperative and Power Sports of Minnesota, Incorporated (New London, MN)	Tower	Construction stormwater & Municipal wastewater-The facility violated several construction stormwater permit requirements during a construction project in 2022, causing adverse impacts to nearby wetlands.	\$25,000
1/24/2024	APO	Richard Grand (Finlayson, MN)	Finlayson	Construction stormwater-The project owner began construction before obtaining required permits and failed to control erosion and sediment runoff at a pond and wetland improvement site in 2022 near Finlayson, Minn.	\$ 19,641
3/7/2024	APO	Central Specialties, Inc. (Alexandria, MN)	Alexandria	Air quality-The company violated several air permit conditions between 2021 and 2023 for its portable hot-mix asphalt facility that travels to construction sites around the state.	\$ 19,088
5/29/2024	APO	Cleveland-Cliffs Minorca Mine Inc. (Virginia, MN)	Virginia	Industrial wastewater-The facility leaked wastewater, construction runoff and tailings materials into nearly half an acre, including a nearby wetland, in May and June 2023.	\$ 16,750
1/8/2024	STIP	Alliance Building Corporation (Sauk Rapids, MN)	Sleepy Eye	Construction stormwater-The company failed to properly stabilize soils and control sediment during construction.	\$14,475
4/11/2024	APO	Stickney Ingredients (Nicollet, MN)	Nicollet	Industrial stormwater-Violations included improperly discharging industrial waste into a city curb and gutter stormwater system in Nicollet County in 2023.	\$ 14,292
6/4/2024	APO	East Side Jersey Dairy, Inc. d/b/a Prairie Farms Dairy, Inc. (Edwardsville, IL)	Woodbury	Industrial stormwater-The company had several liquid sugar spills they failed to report to the Minnesota Duty Officer in 2022 and 2023.	\$ 14,025
4/30/2024	APO	Renville County Lake Allie (Olivia, MN)	Buffalo Lake	Municipal wastewater-The company subcontractor failed to haul wastewater to the Hutchinson WWTF for completion of treatment; instead applied 183,000 gallons of partially treated wastewater to land as part of an upgrade project in 2023.	\$ 13,005
2/27/2024	APO	Alpine Cabinetry, LLC (Saint Cloud, MN)	Saint Cloud	Hazardous waste-The company mislabeled and improperly stored hazardous materials, failed to conduct weekly inspections, and failed to train staff to properly handle and store hazardous waste in 2023.	\$ 12,933
4/1/2024	APO	Agropur, Inc. (Roseville, MN), dba Le Sueur Cheese	Le Sueur	Industrial wastewater-The company land applied too much industrial byproduct, resulting in rates of nitrogen and phosphorus that exceeded the allowed limits by more than 10 percent in 2022.	\$ 11,823
3/19/2024	APO	Heartland Corn Products (Winthrop, MN)	Winthrop	Air quality-The company failed emission stack tests in November 2021 and February 2022 at its ethanol production facility in Winthrop, Minn.	\$ 11,200
6/5/2024	APO	Henderson Fire Department (Henderson, MN)	Henderson	Asbestos and Solid waste-The department failed to obtain a burning permit and remove prohibited materials prior to conducting a training burn project in 2022.	\$ 10,813
1/11/2024	STIP	City of Emmons (Emmons, MN)	Emmons	Municipal wastewater-The City failed to meet effluent limits 44 times and failed to provide effective treatment between 2021 and 2023.	\$10,570
6/10/2024	APO	Industrial Finishing Services, Inc. (Perham, MN)	Deer Creek	Industrial wastewater-The company violated several water quality permit conditions relating to required sampling, training, reporting and inspections at its industrial equipment coating and finishing facility in Deer Creek, Minnesota.	\$ 10,440
4/30/2024	APO	Packaging Corporation of America (International Falls, MN)	International Falls	Air quality-The company failed to report an October 2023 incident in which a transport truck released lime dust that drifted and deposited on area school playground equipment, vehicles, and vegetation near its paper production facility in International Falls, Minnesota.	\$ 10,230
5/23/2024	APO	Forgotten Heroes Ranges & Retreats (McGregor, MN)	McGregor	Construction stormwater-The project owner began construction before obtaining required permits and failed to control erosion and sediment runoff during construction.	\$ 9,510
3/21/2024	APO	KGM Contractors, Inc. (Angora, MN)	Angora	Air quality-The company exceeded particulate matter emissions and failed to keep and submit required records in 2023.	\$ 9,285
1/10/2024	STIP	Disposal Services, Inc., d/b/a/ Clay Demolition Landfill (Wahpeton, ND)	Glyndon	Solid waste-The company failed to control and address windblown litter across most of the Facility grounds and in trees, unacceptable materials on the working face, and the lack of an effective waste screening area.	\$9,000
1/4/2024	APO	Eye Kraft Optical, Inc. (Saint Cloud, MN)	Saint Cloud	Hazardous waste-The company failed to properly manage the hazardous waste it generated during a nearly nine-year period.	\$ 7,160
5/29/2024	APO	Murphy Granite Carving, Inc. d/b/a Little Falls Granite Works (Little Falls, MN)	Little Falls	Industrial stormwater-The company improperly managed granite dust it generated by disposing of it in a wetland in 2023.	\$ 6,850
3/14/2024	APO	City of Lake City (Lake City, MN)	Lake City	Municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4)-The city failed to develop a regulatory mechanism that includes the following: designated salt storage areas must be covered or indoors and must be located on an impervious surface and implement practices to reduce exposure when transferring material in designated salt storage areas.	\$ 6,585

3/5/2024	APO	City of Lake Crystal (Lake Crystal, MN)	Lake Crystal	Municipal wastewater-The city failed to sample the influent waste stream for carbonaceous biochemical oxygen demand (CBOD5), total phosphorus (TP), and total suspended solids (TSS) at the required frequency.	\$ 6,249
2/26/2024	APO	Palomino Sewer Service (Brainerd, MN)	Brainerd	Subsurface sewage treatment systems-The company failed to maintain required records for land application of septage or records of treating septage with hydrated lime.	\$ 5,950
5/10/2024	APO	Midwest Manufacturing and Mechanical, LLC (Nashauk, MN)	Nashauk	Hazardous waste-The company improperly disposed of waste paint by allowing evaporation rather than by procedures defined in its permit.	\$ 5,550
1/4/2024	APO	VitalDyne Medical, LLC (Cokato, MN)	Cokato	Hazardous waste-The company failed to maintain and operate its facility to minimize the possibility of a release to air, land, or water of hazardous waste which could threaten human health or the environment.	\$ 5,285
2/23/2024	APO	Anthony Monack d/b/a/ Good To Go Pumping & Snowplowing (Virginia, MN)	Virginia	Subsurface sewage treatment systems-The company violated terms in its SSTS permit.	\$ 5,020
2/22/2024	APO	Cintas Corporate Services, Inc. (Mason, OH)	Minneapolis	Air quality	\$ 4,800
3/11/2024	APO	Prairie Farms Dairy, Inc. (Faribault, MN)	Faribault	Industrial wastewater	\$ 4,335
1/2/2024	APO	Wakefield Pork, Inc. (Gaylord, MN)	Amboy	Feedlots	\$ 4,200
3/7/2024	APO	3M Chemical Operations LLC (Cottage Grove, MN)	Cottage Grove	Hazardous waste	\$ 4,165
1/11/2024	APO	Allen Stewart d/b/a Stu-Mac Properties (Hastings, MN)	Cottage Grove	Construction stormwater	\$ 3,846
2/22/2024	APO	Chandler Greier (Lewisville, MN)	Lewisville	Feedlots	\$ 3,600
2/14/2024	APO	Maxwell Fox (Janesville, MN)	Janesville	Feedlots	\$ 3,600
2/9/2024	APO	New Look Contracting, Inc. (Rogers, MN)	Plymouth	Construction stormwater	\$ 3,600
3/21/2024	APO	USG Interiors Inc - Cloquet MN (Cloquet, MN)	Cloquet	Air quality	\$ 3,035
4/2/2024	APO	Well Groomed Lawns, Inc. (Andover, MN)	Andover	Hazardous waste	\$ 2,835
4/25/2024	APO	Johnson Equipment Limited Liability Company (Ramsey, MN)	Lake Edward Township	Construction stormwater	\$ 2,812
2/22/2024	APO	MMPCA Shakopee Energy Park (Minneapolis, MN)	Shakopee	Air quality	\$ 2,810
2/7/2024	APO	Kerry Inc. (Rochester, MN)	Rochester	Air quality	\$ 2,760
1/11/2024	APO	Rumpca Excavating, Inc. (Cottage Grove, MN)	Cottage Grove	Construction stormwater	\$ 2,746
2/15/2024	APO	Ryan Kahler (Sherburn, MN)	Sherburn	Solid waste	\$ 2,700
6/11/2024	APO	City of Hendrum (Hendrum, MN)	Hendrum	Municipal wastewater	\$ 2,653
6/11/2024	APO	FedEx Corporation (Memphis, TN)	Saint Paul	Industrial stormwater	\$ 2,640
1/12/2024	APO	RMS-3 LLC (Kasson, MN)	Kasson	Construction stormwater	\$ 2,625
2/16/2024	APO	Jackson Incorporated (Finland, MN)	Finland	Industrial stormwater	\$ 2,550
2/2/2024	APO	Raymond Newkirk (Wayzata, MN)	McGregor	Solid waste	\$ 2,538
2/14/2024	APO	CW Welding & Fabrication LLC (Vesta, MN)	Vesta	Industrial stormwater	\$ 2,350
2/8/2024	APO	Hwy 27 Auto Salvage LLC (Long Prairie, MN)	Long Prairie	Industrial stormwater	\$ 2,350
2/8/2024	APO	Linn Star Transfer Inc (Eden Prairie, MN)	Eden Prairie	Industrial stormwater	\$ 2,350
1/9/2024	APO	Mail Handling Group Inc (Eden Prairie, MN)	Eden Prairie	Industrial stormwater	\$ 2,350
1/10/2024	APO	Modern Metal Products (Owatonna, MN)	Owatonna	Industrial stormwater	\$ 2,350
1/11/2024	APO	Norm's Demolicious of Duluth Inc (Duluth, MN)	Duluth	Industrial stormwater	\$ 2,350
6/25/2024	APO	Richard LaVoie d/b/a LaVoie Backhoe Service Inc. (Long Prairie, MN)	Long Prairie	Subsurface sewage treatment systems	\$ 2,100
3/7/2024	APO	Thompson Excavating, LLC (Aitkin, MN)	Aitkin	Hazardous waste	\$ 2,090
2/8/2024	APO	City of Owatonna (Owatonna, MN)	Owatonna	Municipal wastewater	\$ 1,980
6/11/2024	APO	D & A Properties & Self Storage LLC (Fairmont, MN)	Grand Rapids	Construction stormwater	\$ 1,875
6/27/2024	APO	Miner's Incorporated (Hermantown, MN)	International Falls	Construction stormwater	\$ 1,860
6/27/2024	APO	Wagner Construction (International Falls, MN)	International Falls	Construction stormwater	\$ 1,860
3/13/2024	APO	Drummer Development, Inc. (Mankato, MN)	Mankato	Hazardous waste	\$ 1,800
3/13/2024	APO	Hammer Property Holdings LLC (Mankato, MN)	Mankato	Hazardous waste	\$ 1,800
6/20/2024	APO	Doenz Excavating, LLC (Pine City, MN)	Pine City	Industrial stormwater	\$ 1,785
1/12/2024	APO	Duane's Septic Service, LLC (Saint Michael, MN)	Saint Michael	Subsurface sewage treatment systems	\$ 1,725
6/6/2024	APO	Prom Excavating, LLC (Saint Cloud, MN)	Saint Cloud	Subsurface sewage treatment systems	\$ 1,725
4/9/2024	APO	Mall Drive Auto Center, LLC d/b/a Volkswagen of Duluth (Duluth, MN)	Hermantown	Hazardous waste	\$ 1,697
4/9/2024	APO	Mobile Repair Service (Laporte, MN)	Laporte	Hazardous waste	\$ 1,697
6/27/2024	APO	Maselter Cabinets, Inc. (Rockville, MN)	Rockville	Hazardous waste	\$ 1,696
6/11/2024	APO	Jon Terp (Delano, MN); Dalton Terp (Delano, MN)	Delano	Construction stormwater	\$ 1,665
1/11/2024	APO	New Look Contracting, Inc. (Rogers, MN)	Fridley	Construction stormwater	\$ 1,650
4/22/2024	APO	Green Plains Otter Tail LLC (Fergus Falls, MN)	Fergus Falls	Air quality	\$ 1,269
6/11/2024	APO	JC Hallet Construction LLC (Lakeville, MN)	Delano	Construction stormwater	\$ 1,260
2/2/2024	APO	Hofschulte Backhoe and Septic, LLC (Elgin, MN)	Elgin	Subsurface sewage treatment systems	\$ 1,210
2/14/2024	APO	Maxwell Fox (Janesville, MN)	Janesville	Feedlots	\$ 1,200
4/18/2024	APO	Ingleside Engineering & Construction Inc (Loretto, MN)	Loretto	Subsurface sewage treatment systems	\$ 1,100
5/17/2024	APO	Michael Miller (Findlayson, MN)	Minneapolis	Asbestos	\$ 1,100
5/7/2024	APO	Schwan's Company (Bloomington, MN)	Marshall	Hazardous waste	\$ 1,028
1/4/2024	APO	Valley Truck Parks & Service (East Grand Forks, MN)	East Grand Forks	Hazardous waste	\$ 1,028
4/30/2024	APO	Farmer's Union Industries, LLC (Redwood Falls, MN)	Redwood Falls	Construction stormwater	\$ 997
6/11/2024	APO	Jonny Pops LLC (Elk River, MN)	Elk River	Industrial stormwater	\$ 800
6/24/2024	APO	Sutton Transport, Inc. (Weston, WI)	Centerville	Industrial stormwater	\$ 800
6/10/2024	APO	Asset Liquidation Auctions LLC (Winsted, MN)	Hutchinson	Hazardous waste	\$ 595
5/6/2024	APO	Everstrong Construction, Inc. (Redwood Falls, MN)	Redwood Falls	Construction stormwater	\$ 592
1/5/2024	APO	Barth Construction, Inc. (Chatfield, MN)	Winona	Construction stormwater	\$ 550
1/5/2024	APO	Minnesota Trout Unlimited (Chanhassen, MN)	Winona	Construction stormwater	\$ 550
5/6/2024	APO	EZ Distributing Inc, d/b/a Ax-Man Surplus Stores (Saint Paul, MN)	Crystal	Hazardous waste	\$ 508
2/2/2024	APO	Douglas Van Zuilen (Claremont, MN); Arleen Van Zuilen (Claremont, MN)	Dodge Center	Subsurface sewage treatment systems	\$ 500
5/31/2024	APO	City of Hallock (Hallock, MN)	Hallock	Municipal wastewater	\$ 310
1/26/2024	APO	Michael Hopper d/b/as Surplus Liquidation Auctions LLC (Savage, MN)	Savage	Hazardous waste	\$ 300
1/26/2024	APO	Kevin Manley d/b/a Kevin's Klassic Cars (Cannon Falls, MN)	Cannon Falls	Hazardous waste	\$ 250
4/29/2024	APO	BMR Pork LLP (Alden, MN)	Alden	Feedlots	\$ -
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3/20/2024	APO	M & M Prime Properties LLC (Detroit Lakes, MN)	Audubon	Construction stormwater	\$ -
3/18/2024	APO	City of Cologne (Cologne, MN)	Cologne	Municipal wastewater	\$ -
1/18/2024	APO	Northshore Mining Company (Silver Bay, MN)	Silver Bay	Air quality	\$ -

3/20/2024	APO	Feldt Plumbing & Excavating, LLC (Detroit Lakes, MN)	Audubon	Construction stormwater	\$	-
3/1/2024	APO	City of Atwater (Atwater, MN)	Atwater	Municipal wastewater	\$	-