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Subject: Re: Skylark Meats - NE0139548

Patrick,

Thank you very much.

We will follow your lead on the deactivation process, and please communicate with us on any information needed as well as when the permit is deactivated for Skylark Meats.

Best Regards,

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Hi,

I would anticipate that sampling is not required and you could use a NODI code as there is no process wastewater discharged. NPP program requirements do apply until the permit is deactivated, and DMRs may still be needed to be filled out through October (I think). However, sampling would not be needed.

Sincerely,

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Patrick,

Thank you very much.

To confirm, will the facility need to submit Q3 (July-Sept) flow and monitoring data in October if the facility is deactivated?

Best Regards,

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Dear Mr. Ossi,

If production has ceased, we will work on the deactivation.

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Patrick,

As an update on the Skylark facility, the last day of production was 8/14/2026.

The water system is being left on to keep the condensers, refrigeration system, fire systems, and restrooms in operation until the facility is sold. There are also rooftop strormwater drains that discharge during rain events to the permitted outfalls as they historically have. Therefore, no process wastewater is being discharged after the aforementioned last day of production.

Skylark has completed their quarterly monitoring prior to the last day of production, and they are continuing to document their minimal discharge flows in accordance with their permit.

Can we move forward with deactivation or do we need to wait until the Q3 DMR is submitted in October?

Best Regards,

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Good morning,

Sounds good. Just send us the notification. As for Industrial Stormwater, that is handled through the online permitting system. Once production has ceased and there no longer is any exposure of stormwater to pollutants on site, you can submit a Notice of Termination in the portal. It looks like a representative of SCS Engineers filled out the ISW permit, so you might need to contact them.

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Patrick,

Thank you very much for the follow up.

Agreed. Let's plan to communicate at the end of the month once production has ceased and we can finalize our path forward with you.

Regarding the Facility's Stormwater No Exposure Certification, is that also an item we should work directly with you on for closure at a future date or is that a different contact at NDWEE?

Best Regards,

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Good morning,

DWEE was notified by the City that a final inspection is not necessary. DWEE will not likely require one either. If the facility can notify DWEE once production has ceased and process wastewater is no longer discharged to the City, we will process the deactivation.

If you want to keep the permit active during production shutdown, please just let us know. We will not deactivate unless you request it. DMRs would still need to be filled out if the permit is active.

As for DMRs after deactivation, I think they might need to be filled out through the end of the quarter. At least one month post deactivation will be needed. I suggest you reach out to Madison Feilmeier (cc'd, 402-471-4370) if you have questions on DMRs.

Please let us know if you have any questions. We'll wait to see what the facility is planning at the end of the month.

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Patrick,

Thank you very much for the information.

Yes, Tom Overbeck at Skylark Meats has been interacting with the City regarding the closure of the facility.

A few items:

- Please update us on what transpires from your discussion with the City.
- In terms of DMR reporting and Facility closure in the middle of a quarter, what would NDWEE require in this situation?
- Is there a potential option to keep the discharge permit active after production and respective discharge has ceased for a period of time as we work through the future state for the Facility?

Any additional questions for us, please feel free to communicate them.

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Dear Nick,

Thank you for reaching out. I am looping in the compliance team.

Realistically, we might not need much. If the facility is shutting down, it will no longer be discharging. We likely do not need an inspection or photos. We are going to reach out to the City of Omaha to ensure they do not need anything. We likely will just need a final notification of the date for cessation of process wastewater discharge. After that, we will write a deactivation.

We also recommend getting in touch with the City as well. If you need info there let us know.

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Patrick,

I wanted to start a discussion with you regarding the Skylark Meats facility in Omaha, NE (NE0139548).

The Skylark Meats facility has announced that it will be closing with August 25, 2026 being earmarked as the last day of production.

Regarding their NPP permit, I wanted to coordinate with you about what our options and path forward are with NDWEE after production is ceased at the Facility. Specifically, could you outline what our path forward is if we wish to keep the NPP permit active after production has ceased and alternatively what the path forward is if we wish to terminate the NPP permit once production has ceased.

I look forward to working with you on this process. If you are not the correct person for this discussion, please forward me to the appropriate personnel.

Best Regards,

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