#### MASSACHUSETTS PERMIT TO DISCHARGE POLLUTANTS TO SURFACE WATERS

In compliance with the provisions of the Massachusetts Clean Waters Act, as amended (M.G.L. Chap. 21, §§ 26 - 53) and the implementing regulations at 314 CMR 3.00 and 4.00,

Resilience Boston, Inc. (Formerly known as Genzyme Corporation)

is authorized to discharge from the facility located at

Resilience Boston, Inc. 500 Soldiers Field Road Allston, MA 02134

to receiving water named

Charles River Charles River Watershed

in accordance with the following effluent limitations, monitoring requirements and additional conditions:

- 1. This permit shall become effective on April 8, 2021.
- 2. This permit shall expire on January 31, 2026.
- 3. This permit supersedes the permit issued on March 31, 2015.
- 4. This permit incorporates by reference Part IA., Effluent Limitations and Monitoring Requirements, Part IB., Unauthorized Discharges, Part IC., Special Conditions, Part ID. Reporting Requirements, and Part IIE., Standard Conditions, as set forth in the 2021 NPDES Permit No. MA0040291, issued by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Region 1, issued to Genzyme Corporation on February 1, 2021, and subsequently modified to transfer the ownership to Resilience Boston, Inc. on March 8, 2021 (the 2021 NPDES Permit) and attached hereto as Appendix A; provided, however:
  - a. that the notification required by Part IA.8. shall also be provided to MassDEP;
  - that the reporting required by Part IB.1 shall be in accordance with 314 CMR 3.19(20)(e) (24 hour reporting);
  - c. that discharges of a new chemical or additive authorized under Part IC.2. are only authorized under this permit 30 days following written notification to MassDEP, unless otherwise notified in writing by MassDEP;
  - d. that a copy of the requests, reports, and information required by Part ID.3. to be submitted to EPA shall also be submitted to MassDEP electronically to <u>massdep.npdes@mass.gov</u>;
  - e. that, if there is a conflict between the definitions in 314 CMR 3.02 and/or 314 CMR 4.00 and the definitions in Part IIE, the definitions in 314 CMR 3.02 and/or 314 CMR 4.00 shall control, as applicable;
  - f. that the notifications required by 4.a. and 4.c. above shall be provided as follows:

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- 5. This permit incorporates by reference the Standard Permit Conditions set forth in 314 CMR 3.19.
- 6. This permit includes the following additional conditions:
  - a. Within six (6) months of the effective date of the permit, the permittee shall submit to MassDEP an evaluation of whether the facility uses any products containing any per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) and whether use of those products can be reduced or eliminated. The analysis shall be submitted electronically to massdep.npdes@mass.gov.
  - b. Within six (6) months after EPA's multi-lab validated method for wastewater is made available to the public on EPA's Clean Water Act methods program website<sup>1</sup>, or two (2) years from the effective date of the NPDES permit, whichever is earlier, the permittee shall conduct monitoring of the effluent for PFAS compounds as detailed in the table below. If EPA has not issued a validated test method by twenty (20) months after the effective date of the NPDES permit, the permittee shall contact MassDEP (massdep.npdes@mass.gov) for guidance on an appropriate analytical method.

Effluent (Outfall 001)	
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Parameter	Units	Measurement Frequency	Sample Type
Perfluorohexanesulfonic acid (PFHxS)	ng/L	Quarterly <sup>2</sup>	24-hour Composite
Perfluoroheptanoic acid (PFHpA)	ng/L	Quarterly	24-hour Composite
Perfluorononanoic acid (PFNA)	ng/L	Quarterly	24-hour Composite
Perfluorooctanesulfonic acid (PFOS)	ng/L	Quarterly	24-hour Composite
Perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA)	ng/L	Quarterly	24-hour Composite
Perfluorodecanoic acid (PFDA)	ng/L	Quarterly	24-hour Composite

Notwithstanding any other provision of the 2021 Federal NPDES permit to the contrary, monitoring results shall be reported to MassDEP electronically (massdep.npdes@mass.gov), or as otherwise specified, within 30 days after they are received. Those results do not need to be reported to EPA through NetDMR unless EPA establishes a requirement through a future permitting action.

c. After completing one year of monitoring, if four (4) consecutive samples are reported as non-detect for all six PFAS compounds, then the permittee may submit a request to discontinue PFAS monitoring. Any such request shall be made in writing and sent to: massdep.npdes@mass.gov. The permittee shall continue such monitoring pending written approval from MassDEP to discontinue it.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See https://www.epa.gov/cwa-methods/other-clean-water-act-test-methods-chemical and https://www.epa.gov/cwa-methods.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Quarters are defined as January to March, April to June, July to September, and October to December. Samples shall be taken during the same month each quarter and shall be taken 3 months apart (e.g., an example sampling schedule could be February, May, August, and November).

Signed this 9<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2021

Lealdon Langley, Director Division of Watershed Management Department of Environmental Protection

#### **RESPONSE TO COMMENTS**

#### MA Permit No. MA0040291 Resilience Boston, Inc. (formerly known as Genzyme Corporation) 500 Soldiers Field Road, Allston, Massachusetts

The Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP or the "Department") is issuing a Surface Water Discharge (SWD) Permit to the Resilience Boston, Inc. (the Permittee, formerly known as Genzyme Corporation) for the facility (the Facility) located in 500 Soldiers Field Road, Allston, MA 02134, Massachusetts. The permit is being issued under the Massachusetts Clean Waters Act, as amended (M.G.L. Chap. 21, §§ 26 - 53) and the implementing regulations at 314 CMR 3.00 and 4.00.

In accordance with the provisions of 314 CMR 2.09, MassDEP is obligated to prepare a response to comments received on the draft SWD Permit No. MA0040291 (the "Draft Permit"). The Response to Comments explains and supports MassDEP's determinations that form the basis of the final permit (the "Final Permit"). From July 1, 2020 through July 30, 2020, MassDEP solicited public comments on the Draft Permit for the (re)issuance of a permit to discharge reverse osmosis (RO) reject water from Outfall Serial Number 001 to the Charles River and the associated Draft WQC.

During the public comment period for the draft SWD Permit, MassDEP received comments from:

- 1. Kelly Morse, HSE Director, Resilience Boston, Inc. (formerly known as Genzyme Corporation), dated July 22, 2020.
- 2. Karen Lachmayr, Chair, Wastewater Advisory Committee to the MWRA, dated August 4, 2020.

MassDEP's knowledge of the facility has benefited from the various comments and additional information submitted during the public comment period but the information and arguments presented did not raise any substantial new questions concerning the Permit that warranted MassDEP exercising the discretion to reopen the public comment period. MassDEP does, however, make certain clarifications in response to comments. Any improvements and changes are explained in this document and reflected in the Final Permit. Below, MassDEP provides a summary of the changes made in the Final Permit. The analyses underlying these changes are contained in the responses to individual comments that follow.

A copy of the Final Permit and this Response to Comments document will be posted on the MassDEP website.

A copy of the Final Permit may be also obtained by writing or calling Xiaodan Ruan, MassDEP, Surface Water Discharge Permitting Program, Bureau of Water Resources, 1 Winter Street – 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Boston 02108; telephone: 617-654-6517; email: <u>xiaodan.ruan@mass.gov</u>. During this current COVD-19 emergency, MassDEP is working remotely. As such, interested parties are strongly encouraged to email MassDEP Xiaodan Ruan if they wish to obtain a copy of the Final Permit.

#### I. Summary of Changes to the Final Permit

- 1. Genzyme Corporation transferred ownership and operational control to Resilience Boston, Inc., a subsidiary for National Resilience, Inc., effective on March 1, 2021. The Final State Permit is issued to the new owner. The permittee and facility names in the Final Permit and the associated documents have been revised to "Resilience Boston, Inc.".
- 2. Paragraph 4.c. has been revised from "Part 1C.1" to "Part IC.2" due to a typographical error.
- 3. Paragraph 6.b., the table title has been revised from "Outfall 002" to "Outfall 001" due to a typographical error.
- 4. Paragraph 6.b. has been revised to clarify that results shall be reported through email, or otherwise specified, if MassDEP directs permittees to report through another mechanism.

#### II. Responses to Comments

Comments are reproduced below as received; they have not been edited, corrected or otherwise modified.

#### A. Comment from Kelly Morse, HSE Director, Resilience Boston, Inc. , dated July 22, 2020

#### Comment1

The only questions we have is regarding the EPA Multi-Lab validated method that is to be developed. Are we going to be notified when the new method is developed or are we obligated to check the website to know when it has been implemented?

#### Response to Comment 1

MassDEP will notify Resilience Boston, Inc. when EPA's multi-lab validated method for wastewater becomes available. However, as stated in Permit Condition 6.b., "If EPA has not issued a validated test method by twenty (20) months after the effective date of the NPDES permit, the permittee shall contact MassDEP (massdep.npdes@mass.gov) for guidance on an appropriate analytical method."

# B. Comment from Karen Lachmayr, Chair, Wastewater Advisory Committee to the MWRA, dated August 4, 2020.

#### Comment 2

The Wastewater Advisory Committee (WAC) supports the DEP's draft requirements for industries with NPDES permits (including Shire Human Genetic Therapies' Cambridge facility and Genzyme Corporation) to monitor effluent for six PFAS.

Collecting such data can help both publicly owned treatment works (POTWs)s and DEP in future limit decisions. This is helpful since more information about PFAS is still needed, including who is discharging them in what concentrations, and their fate in the environment.

WAC also supports requiring these industries and those that discharge to POTWs to evaluate whether their facilities use any products containing any PFAS and whether such use can be reduced or eliminated, with the caveat that "any PFAS" not be exclusively the six compounds DEP is asking the facilities to monitor.

Recycling residuals from POTWs is continually threatened by contaminants of emerging concern. With several New England states establishing guidance limiting PFAS to 20ppt or lower for drinking water, the levels of PFAS in residuals which may be land-applied is even more important.

WAC asks DEP to consider the following:

- Ease of detection and testing (and a limit high enough to be easily detectable)
- Ease of reporting
- Cost of the above

#### **Response to Comment 2:**

MassDEP acknowledges Wastewater Advisory Committee (WAC)'s comments on detection, testing and reporting of PFAS. As stated in the State Permit, the permittee shall follow the Permit Condition 6.b. for the testing method and reporting of the monitoring results. MassDEP is available to provide guidance should the permittee have questions or difficulties. MassDEP acknowledges WAC's comment to DEP to consider the cost of PFAS monitoring. MassDEP has considered the cost of PFAS testing, which is one of the reasons the permit includes Condition 6.c., which allows the permittee to request to discontinue PFAS monitoring if four (4) consecutive samples are non-detect for all compounds.



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