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APPLICATION OF BLACK MOUNTAIN)	
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DETERMINATION OF THE FAIR)	
VALUE OF ITS UTILITY PLANT AND)	NOTICE OF FILING
PROPERTY AND FOR INCREASES IN)	EXHIBIT LIST
ITS RATES AND CHARGES FOR)	
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Dennis E. Doelle D.D.S. hereby provides notice of filing an exhibit list for his Opening Statement.

Dated this 18th day of November, 2009

By *Dennis E Doelle*
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1. ADEQ Engineering Bulletin #12 (Cover and Acknowledgements)
2. Affidavit of James A. Walters (February 1997)
3. Photo of Dental Chair Cuspidor
4. Photo of Closed Water Bottle System (from office of Dr. Dennis Doelle)
5. Correspondence from Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (August 1996)
6. Impact of Proposed Sewer Rates for the Dental Office of Dr. Dennis Doelle

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no. 12*

**Minimum Requirements for
the Design and Installation
of Septic Tank Systems and
Alternative On-site Disposal Systems**



June 1989

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- . Mike Block, Hydrologist, Pima Association of Governments
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- . Dale Smith, A Septic Tank Manufacturer
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AFFIDAVIT OF JAMES A. WALTERS

STATE OF ARIZONA)
) ss.
County of Maricopa)

Before me, this 26 day of February, 1997, appeared James A. Walters, P.E., who after being duly sworn, deposed and said:

1. I am James A. Walters. I am a licensed professional engineer in the State of Arizona and am currently employed by the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality ("ADEQ") as a Hazardous Waste Permits Engineer. I have been employed by ADEQ continuously since 1987.
2. I earned a Bachelor's Degree in Chemical Engineering from ASU in 1968 and a Master's Degree in Chemical Engineering from ASU in 1969. I earned a Master's Degree in Environmental Engineering from USC in 1973.
3. While employed by ADEQ as an Environmental Engineer, I helped rewrite and revise Engineering Bulletin 12, at that time entitled "Guidelines for Installation of Septic Tank Systems," dated May, 1976 ("Bulletin No. 12, May 1976").
4. The revision of Bulletin No. 12, May 1976, that I participated in preparing was published by ADEQ in 1989 and entitled, "Engineering Bulletin No. 12, Minimum Requirements for the Design and Installation of Septic Tank Systems and Alternative On-Site Disposal Systems," dated June 1989 ("Bulletin No. 12, June 1989"). My name is shown in the page of Acknowledgments at Page "v" as one of the engineers primarily responsible for the rewrite which ADEQ issued as Bulletin No. 12, June 1989.
5. As part of my personal efforts in preparing Bulletin No. 12, June 1989, I helped prepare and review Table 1 on page 8, entitled, "Average Daily Sewage Flow" ("Table 1"), and am familiar with the meanings intended by the drafters of the words used in Table 1.
6. The purpose of Table 1 was to classify various businesses according to the anticipated maximum waste water and sewage flow quantities per day so that septic systems would be designed to handle those flows, called "hydraulic loadings." As one of the drafters, I participated in classifying the businesses shown on Table 1 and am familiar with the basis for those classifications.
7. Table 1 of Bulletin No. 12, June 1989, contained a reference to dental offices: "Dental office (chair)." In drafting Table 1, I understood the term "chair" to refer not to any kind of chair, but only to the patient chairs (like the ones that I had seen in my dentist's office). Those patient chairs had attached basins that provided a continuous stream of water

to wash the basin clean after the patient spit into the basin during the cleaning or repair of his or her teeth. The stream of water in the basin flowed continuously during the workday whether or not a patient was actually in the chair at the time. In drafting Table 1 of Bulletin No. 12, June 1989, my colleagues who participated in the drafting of Table 1 and I approved such a high hydraulic loading for the dental patient chairs (500 gallons per unit per day) because we intended that septic systems be designed with enough capacity to handle the continuous flows of waste water generated by the continuous flows of water in the basins attached to the patient chairs and the sinks and toilets. I believe that these basins are called "cuspidors," but I am not sure as I am not a health care professional. The hydraulic loading of 500 gallons per chair per day represented an effort on the part of the drafters of Bulletin No. 12 to quantify the probable hydraulic loading generated to the septic system by the continuous flows of water from these basins attached to the patient chairs in a dental office.

8. But for my understanding that the basins attached to the patent chairs in dental offices flowed continuously for the entire work day, I would not have approved the incorporation of the classification of dental offices with such a high hydraulic loading in the drafting of Table 1 of Bulletin No. 12, June 1989.

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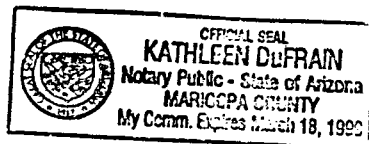

James A. Walters

SWORN TO and subscribed before me this 26th day of February, 1997.


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RE: Wastewater Discharge from Dentist's Chairs in Bulletin No. 12.; Estimating Wastewater Discharges from Dentist's Offices

Dear Dr. Doelle:

This letter is to answer your question regarding the average daily discharge of wastewater from a dentist's office based on the number of dentists chairs installed, and how to estimate the discharge from a dentist's office. I will also attempt to answer your question regarding the application of ADEQ's Bulletin No. 12.

First, the only logically and factually correct way to estimate the wastewater flow discharge rates from your dentist's office would be to total the gallons of water delivered to your business as shown on your water bills for the last 12 months and divide that number by 12. This will give you the total maximum average amount of water used per month and also give you the total *maximum* wastewater your office would discharge per month. The actual monthly average would be less if you are using some of you water for landscape irrigation.

In regards to the 500 gallons per day per dentist chair wastewater discharge you referenced in Engineering Bulletin No. 12, *Minimum Requirements for the Design and Installation of Septic Tanks Systems and Alternative On-Site Disposal Systems*, that figure can not be applied to your office discharge for several reasons. I will try to explain below.

The first and the most obvious reason is that Bulletin No. 12 only applies to those households and small businesses that are connected to an on-site wastewater system. Since you discharge to a sewer, Bulletin No. 12 does not apply to you. Applying Bulletin No. 12 to your situation would be a mis-application of the bulletin.

Secondly, some of the discharges and sizing calculations in Bulletin No. 12 have been based on artificially inflated figures and built in safety factors for wastewater discharge amounts in an effort to prevent the failure of on-site systems. When the on-site systems are over designed based on the higher discharge rates, there is less of a chance of the system and drain field failing due to hydraulic overloading. These sizing calculations are not based on average discharge rates, rather they are based on the higher-end producers of

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wastewater with the goal of covering about 95% of the population. In other words when dealing with on-site systems, the goal of the regulatory agency developing design standards is to cover as much of the population as possible while balancing the costs of the systems and protecting public health and the environment. This is a valid and justifiable goal because if the discharge rates that appeared in these tables were based on average discharge rates then 50% of the systems would be under designed and a 50% failure rate would be expected. This could never be acceptable based on the potential threat to public health. So as you can see, the higher discharge rates that appear in these tables are developed for design purposes and can not be used for estimating discharge rates from a single facility.

The third reason is that Bulletin No. 12 is being re-written because of some existing technical problems within the document itself. One problem worth noting is that in some areas the increases in wastewater flows and sizing requirements are not realistic because they have become too conservative (too large a factor of safety) resulting in undue expense to the public. Therefore all of these calculations and tables are being re-checked and in some instances being down-sized to a more realistic number.

Whether or not the 500 gallons per day per chair of wastewater is accurate or not is not really relevant to your situation because Bulletin No. 12 does not apply to you. However, one of the reasons that I am re-writing Bulletin No. 12 is that there are problems with the implementation of the bulletin due to the conflicts and inconsistencies it has with local codes, such as the plumbing code. The on-site, private sewage disposal system appendix within the 1994 Plumbing Code™ does not specifically address the discharge from dentists' offices. The only reference I could find is in Table 7-3. It assigns a fixture unit rate of 1 for dental units or cuspidors. This means that for these units it is assumed that they can discharge up to 7.5 gallons per minute. This is important in regards to sizing the waste piping so that it can handle all of the potential fixtures that could discharge at any one time. It really does not tell me what the total discharge per day is in gallons for a dentist's chair. The discharge amount depends on how long the fixture is left on during a 24-hour period. But if you do not have cuspidors in your dental office then this fixture unit size would not apply.

Another reason that there are problems with the discharge rates within the tables in Bulletin No. 12 is that the figures do not represent the water conservation or low flow devices. This "credit" is usually calculated separately and applied to the facility during the final plan review just prior to approving an on-site wastewater system design. But again I state that these tables would not apply to you since they are to be used when designing on-site wastewater systems.

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Again, to determine your wastewater discharge you should assume you can not discharge any more in gallons than the amount of water that is delivered to the office. I suggest that you calculate your wastewater discharge amounts based on you water delivery amounts recorded in your water bills.

I hope I have answered your questions. I could not address the issue of fee rates since I do not understand what the relationship could be between the tables in Bulletin No. 12 and fee rate structures for facilities discharging to sewers. Please feel free to contact me at 602-207-4534 if you have any other questions or if I can be further service.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lauren G. Evans".

Lauren G. Evans, Hydrologist IV
Water Quality Division

**IMPACT OF PROPOSED SEWER RATES FOR DENTAL OFFICE OF
DENNIS E. DOELLE, D. D. S.**

ESTIMATED WATER FLOWS (FROM ADEQ ENGINEERING BULLETIN #12)

500 GAL/DAY x FOUR ACTIVE DENTAL CHAIRS

= 2000 GAL/DAY

X 21 WORKING DAYS/MONTH

= 42,000 GAL/MONTH

OR

X 30 CALENDAR DAYS/MONTH

= 60,000 GAL/MONTH

CALCULATION OF COMMERCIAL RATE

BASED ON 21 WORKING DAYS PER MONTH:

42,000 GAL/MONTH X 0.28957 PER GALLON = **\$12,161.94 PER MONTH**

\$12,161.94 X 12 MONTHS = **\$145,943.28 PER YEAR**

BASED ON 30 CALENDAR DAYS PER MONTH:

60,000 GAL/MONTH X 0.28957 PER GALLON = **\$17,374.20 PER MONTH**

\$17,374.20 X 12 MONTHS = **\$208,490.40 PER YEAR**