

April 17, 2026

Honorable Board of County Commissioners  
Hamilton County, Ohio  
% Mr. Jeff Aluotto  
Hamilton County Administrator  
Todd B. Portune Center for County Government  
138 E. Court Street, Room 603  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

Honorable Commissioners:

Enclosed for your consideration is legislation provided by the City of Cincinnati, through its Department of Sewers, as the sole management agency for the operation and maintenance of the Metropolitan Sewer District of Greater Cincinnati ("MSD"), to amend the RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE, OPERATION AND USE OF SANITARY AND COMBINED SEWERS for the Metropolitan Sewer District of Greater Cincinnati ("MSD Rules and Regulations"). The proposed amendment would modify Section 1504.7, "Application Signatories and Certifications" to explicitly allow industrial users to electronically submit required applications, reports, and certifications. The amendment is needed in order for MSD to utilize a Cross-Media Electronic Reporting Rule ("CROMERR") compliant system, which would allow electronically submitted industrial user reports to automatically upload to Ohio EPA and USEPA to improve efficiency and reduce the potential for errors.

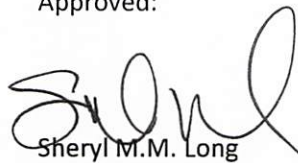
A public hearing, as required under Article V, Paragraph 2(b) of the 1968 Hamilton County-City of Cincinnati Management Agreement for MSD, is scheduled for **May 14, 2026** to receive comments on the proposed amendment. MSD will advertise the public hearing in a newspaper of general circulation as well as notify interested parties. For efficiency, it is requested that this item be placed on the Board's regular agenda on the same date.

Recommended:



Diana R. Christy  
Director, MSD

Approved:



Sheryl M.M. Long  
City Manager

Provided to Hamilton County on \_\_\_\_\_.

Reviewed by \_\_\_\_\_, and recommended by County Administration.

On motion of \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, the following resolutions were adopted...

MSD RESOLUTION

AMENDING THE RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE, OPERATION AND USE OF SANITARY AND COMBINED SEWERS

ARTICLE XV, "PRETREATMENT"

SECTION 1504.7, "APPLICATION SIGNATORIES AND CERTIFICATIONS"

THE METROPOLITAN SEWER DISTRICT OF GREATER CINCINNATI  
HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO

WHEREAS, Section 6117.01 of the Ohio Revised Code vests the Board of County Commissioners of Hamilton County, Ohio (the "Board") with the authority to adopt and implement rules and regulations for the Metropolitan Sewer District of Greater Cincinnati ("MSD"); and

WHEREAS, the Board did, on January 24, 2001, adopt RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE, OPERATION AND USE OF SANITARY AND COMBINED SEWERS for MSD, as entered into the Comm'r Min., Vol. 281, Images 761 - 878, and has subsequently amended the same on various occasions between 2001 - 2018 ("MSD Rules and Regulations"); and

WHEREAS, on April 13, 2011, the Board did amend the MSD Rules and Regulations to make multiple modifications, including the addition of Section 1504.7, "Application Signatories and Certifications", as entered into the Comm'r Min., Vol. 322, Images 1542 - 1638; and

WHEREAS, the Director of MSD recommends to this Board that Section 1504.7 of the MSD Rules and Regulations should be further amended as attached hereto as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to and consistent with Article V, Paragraph 2(b) of the 1968 Agreement between Hamilton County and the City of Cincinnati regarding MSD, the Board did hold and conclude a public hearing on amendment to Section 1504.7 of the MSD Rules and Regulations on May 14, 2026, affording public comment on the same.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by this Board of County Commissioners of Hamilton County, Ohio that Section 1504.7 of the MSD Rules and Regulations is hereby amended as set forth in Exhibit A, as attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said amendment shall be effective as of the date of the adoption of this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Board of County Commissioners hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of the Board of County Commissioners and that all deliberations of this Board of County Commissioners and of its committees, if any, which resulted in formal action were taken in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with applicable legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

ADOPTED at a regularly adjourned meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Hamilton County, Ohio, this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.

Ms. Summerow Dumas \_\_\_\_\_

Ms. Reece \_\_\_\_\_

Ms. Driehaus \_\_\_\_\_

## Exhibit A

### 1504.7 Application Signatories and Certifications

- A. All wastewater discharge permit applications, User reports, and certification statements must be signed by an Authorized Representative of the User and contain the certification statement in Section 1506.14A. Any such required application, report, or certification shall be submitted either electronically, in a method approved by the Director, or in writing.
- B. If the designation of an Authorized Representative is no longer accurate because a different individual or position has responsibility for the overall operation of the facility or overall responsibility for environmental matters for the company, a new written authorization satisfying the requirements of this Section must be submitted to the Director prior to or together with any reports to be signed by an Authorized Representative.
- C. A facility determined to be ~~a~~ Non-Significant Categorical Industrial User (NSCIU) by the Director must annually submit the signed certification statement in Section 1506.14B.

CERTIFICATE OF CLERK

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of a resolution adopted by the Board of County Commissioners in session this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Official Seal of the Office of the Board of County Commissioners of Hamilton County, Ohio this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.

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Clerk to the  
Board of County Commissioners  
Hamilton County, Ohio