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WATER AND SEWERS

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18-102. **Definitions.** (1) "Customer" means any person, firm, or corporation who receives water and/or sewer service from the town under either an express or implied contract.

(2) "Household" means any two (2) or more persons living together as a family group.

(3) "Service line" shall consist of the pipe line extending from any water or sewer main of the town to private property. Where a meter and meter box are located on private property, the service line shall be construed to include the pipe line extending from the town's water main to and including the meter and meter box.

(4) "Discount date" shall mean the date ten (10) days after the date of a bill, except when some other date is provided by contract. The discount date is the last date upon which water and/or sewer bills can be paid at net rates.

(5) "Dwelling" means any single structure, with auxiliary buildings, occupied by one or more persons or households for residential purposes.

(6) "Premise" means any structure or group of structures operated as a single business or enterprise, provided, however, the term "premise" shall not include more than one (1) dwelling. (1982 Code, § 13-102)

18-103. **Permit and supervision required for connecting to system.** No premises shall be connected to the public sanitary sewer system or the water system without a permit for each connection from and inspection by the city recorder or his designee. Also all connections to the system must be made under the direct supervision of the city recorder or someone designated by him. (1982 Code, § 13-103, modified)

18-104. **Deposit required.** Any person requesting water service for any building, whether used for a business, dwelling or any other purpose, shall be required to pay a deposit to the city recorder before water can be turned on. The amount of the deposit will be $25.00 if the individual owns the property and $100.00 for those renting the property. The deposit will be refunded when the water service is terminated if there is no outstanding debt owed to the Town of Bruceton by the person whose name the water service was provided. If there is an outstanding debt, the deposit will be applied to that debt and the balance, if any, will be refunded.

The receipt of a prospective customer's request for service shall not obligate the town to render the service requested. If the service requested cannot be supplied in accordance with the provisions of this chapter and general practice, the liability of the town to the applicant shall be limited to the return

18-105. **Sewer connection fee.** No permit to connect to the public sanitary sewer system shall be granted unless the applicant first pays to the city recorder a sewer connection fee in the sum of $350.00. (1982 Code, § 13-105, modified)

18-106. **Water connection fees.** No permit to connect to the municipal water works system shall be granted unless the applicant first pays to the city recorder a water connection fee for each individual connection based on the size of the pipe hereinafter set out, to-wit: three fourths (3/4) inch pipe, three hundred fifty dollars ($350.00); one inch (1") pipe, four hundred fifty dollars ($450.00); all applications for pipe connections having a diameter of greater than one inch (1") shall be accompanied by an application fee to be determined on an individual basis by the town recorder and to be representative of the costs of installing the connection to the Town of Bruceton including both the costs of manpower, equipment use, and materials needed. In the event of an application for a greater than one inch (1") diameter pipe the application fee shall not be less than six hundred dollars ($600.00) in any event. (Ord. #96-05, Nov. 1996, modified)

18-107. **Cutoffs required.** All new buildings erected in the corporate limits, whether to be used as a business or a dwelling, shall be equipped with an individual water cutoff, other than the cutoff coming off the city water line. If said building is a multi-dwelling, it shall be equipped with an individual cutoff for each family supplied with water. (1982 Code, § 13-107)

18-108. **Installation of lateral sewer lines, etc.** When connections to the public sanitary sewer system are required and/or permitted, the town shall be responsible for installing all the necessary lateral lines and facilities from the sewer main to the property line unless there is a written contract between the board of mayor and aldermen and the property owner to the contrary. All necessary installations within the property line shall be made by the owner.

The sewer line shall be of at least four (4) inch schedule 40 PVC pipe or better and shall contain at least two cleanouts which are easily accessible. Upon installation of a new line, whether replacing a preexisting line or not, the town shall be notified and given the opportunity to inspect the site prior to the line being covered. (1982 Code, § 13-108, modified)

18-109. **Water and sewer main extensions.** Persons desiring water and/or sewer main extensions must pay all of the cost of making such extensions.
For water main extensions cement-lined cast iron pipe, class 150 American Water Works Association Standard (or other construction approved by the board of mayor and aldermen), not less than six (6) inches in diameter shall be used to the dead end of any line and to form loops or continuous lines, so that fire hydrants may be placed on such lines at locations no farther than 1,000 feet from the most distant part of any dwelling structure and no farther than 600 feet from the most distant part of any commercial, industrial, or public building, such measurements to be based on road or street distances. Cement-lined cast iron pipe (or other construction approved by the board of mayor and aldermen), two (2) inches in diameter, to supply dwellings only, may be used to supplement such lines. For sewer main extensions eight-inch pipe of vitrified clay or other construction approved by the board of mayor and aldermen shall be used.

All such extensions shall be installed either by municipal forces or by other forces working directly under the supervision of the town in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by an engineer registered with the State of Tennessee.

Upon completion of such extensions and their approval by the board of mayor and aldermen, such water and/or sewer mains shall become the property of the town. The persons paying the cost of constructing such mains shall execute any written instruments requested by the town to provide evidence of the town's title to such mains. In consideration of such mains being transferred to it, the town shall incorporate said mains as an integral part of the municipal water and sewer systems and shall furnish water and sewer service therefrom in accordance with these rules and regulations, subject always to such limitations as may exist because of the size and elevation of said mains. (1982 Code, § 13-110)

18-110. Variances from and effect of preceding section as to extensions. Whenever the board of mayor and aldermen is of the opinion that it is to the best interest of the town and its inhabitants to construct a water and/or sewer main extension without requiring strict compliance with the preceding section, such extension may be constructed upon such terms and conditions as shall be approved by the board of mayor and aldermen.

The authority to make water and/or sewer main extensions under the preceding section is permissive only and nothing contained therein shall be construed as requiring the town to make such extensions or to furnish service to any person or persons. (1982 Code, § 13-111)

18-111. Meters. All meters shall be installed, tested, repaired, and removed only by the town.

No one shall do anything which will in any way interfere with or prevent the operation of a meter. No one shall tamper with or work on a water meter without the written permission of the town. No one shall install any pipe or
other device which will cause water to pass through or around a meter without the passage of such water being registered fully by the meter. (1982 Code, § 13-112)

18-112. **Meter tests.** The town will, at its own expense, make routine tests of meters when it considers such tests desirable.

In testing meters, the water passing through a meter will be weighed or measured at various rates of discharge and under varying pressures. To be considered accurate, the meter registration shall check with the weighed or measured amounts of water within the percentage shown in the following table:

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The town will also make tests or inspections of its meters at the request of the customer. However, if a test requested by a customer shows a meter to be accurate within the limits stated above, the customer shall pay the cost of the meter test.

If such test shows a meter not to be accurate within such limits, the cost of such meter test shall be borne by the town. (1982 Code, § 13-113)

18-113. **Water rates.** (1) For purposes of establishing a schedule of rates there is established three categories of rates which shall hereinafter be known as Rate Code 1, Rate Code 2 and Rate Code 3. Rate Code 1 is defined as those customers using water exclusively for residential purposes inside the corporate limits. Rate Code 2 is defined as those customers using water exclusively for residential purposes outside the corporate limits or those customers using water whether inside or outside the corporate limits for commercial purposes but which purpose does not fall within that usage defined as Rate Code 3 herein. Rate Code 3 is defined as those customers using water for industrial or manufacturing purposes whether within or without the corporate limits.

(2) **Schedule of rates.** The following rates for water of the town based upon the estimated or measured volume in gallons to the nearest multiple of 100 are established as follows on a monthly basis:
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<td>0 - 2,000 gal.</td>
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Sprinklers or fire protection charge. The monthly rate for sprinkler or other similar fire protection system shall be a $21.94 flat charge per month per system.  (Ord. #95-04, June 1995)

**18-114. Sewer service charges.** Sewer service charges shall be collected from the person billed for the water service to any premises with accessible sanitary sewer. The sewer charge shall be added to and combined with the water service charge. Both charges shall be collected as a unit; no municipal employee shall accept payment of water service charges from any customer without receiving at the same time payment of all sewer service charges owed by such customer. Water services may be discontinued for non-payment of the combined bill.

#### Schedule of rates

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<th>Minimum Bill (zero usage)</th>
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<td>All Usage</td>
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Notwithstanding any provision in this code to the contrary, a property owner may request the installation of a water service meter on their property for use in providing metered water for uses such as lawn and garden, swimming pool filling, outside washing and similar uses in which the water does not thereafter enter the sanitary sewer system. In such an instance the normal fee for sewer service otherwise attributed to the customer's bill will not be charged. Under no circumstances may such a connection be made for any interior use or be connected to a structure on the land. The cost of the installation of an additional water meter shall be determined by the town recorder and shall be that amount not less than $100.00 which will recover the actual expenses of the town. The property owner shall pay this amount in advance of the meter installation. Additionally, the property owner shall in such instance pay a non-refundable deposit of $10.00 except in the instance of rental property for which the deposit shall be $25.00. If a meter is already present on the property then the deposit is the only cost required of the owner and this is to also be paid in advance. The customer will then be charged for water used through this meter without a charge for sewer usage. Under no circumstances can water be run below ground through a hose, pipe, or other conveyance. All connections to the water provided via this water service meter must be above ground and in plain view available to inspection by the proper authorities of the Town of Bruceton. In addition to any other penalty or remedy provided herein to the Town of Bruceton, the town shall disconnect from service any installation of a water meter and the customer shall forfeit the cost of installation and any deposit should the water customer violate the terms of this provision. (Ord. #95-08, June 1995, as amended by Ord. #96-04, Sept. 1996, and Ord. #00-06, ___)

18-115. Multiple services through a single meter. No customer shall supply water or sewer service to more than one dwelling or premise from a single service line and meter without first obtaining the written permission of the town.

Where the town allows more than one dwelling or premise to be served through a single service line and meter, the amount of water used by all the dwellings and premises served through a single service line and meter shall be allocated to each separate dwelling or premise served. The water and/or sewer charges for each such dwelling or premise thus served shall be computed just as if each such dwelling premise had received through a separately metered service the amount of water so allocated to it, such computation to be made at the town's applicable water and sewer rate schedules, including the provisions as to minimum bills. The separate charges for each dwelling or premise served through a single service line and meter shall then be added together and the sum thereof shall be billed to the customer in whose name the service is supplied. The number of family dwelling units available for rent shall determine the total fee and the extent of vacancy or occupancy thereof shall not

18-116. Billing.  (1) An adjustment shall be made for each unit which may experience and can substantiate as hereinafter set forth that a leak in the water works has caused an increase in their water bill. The adjustment and bill charges shall be based on the average prior six months water consumption. Each unit shall be allowed two adjustments per year because of a leak but there shall not be two adjustments in two consecutive months. No adjustment shall be made in the water bills unless satisfactory proof is presented to the water treatment supervisor and that said proof shall appear to the water treatment supervisor to substantiate the claimed leak and in said event the water treatment supervisor shall adjust the water bill as hereinabove set forth.

(2) Bills for residential water and sewer service will be rendered monthly.

Bills for commercial and industrial service may be rendered weekly, semimonthly, or monthly, at the option of the town.

Both charges shall be collected as a unit; no municipal employee shall accept payment of water service charges from any customer without receiving at the same time payment of all sewer service charges owed by such customer. Water service may be discontinued for non-payment of the combined bill.

Water and sewer bills must be paid on or before the discount date shown thereon to obtain the net rate, otherwise the gross rate shall apply. Failure to receive a bill will not release a customer from payment obligation, nor extend the discount date.

Should the final date of payment of bill at the net rate fall on a Sunday or a holiday, the business day next following the final date will be the last day to obtain the net rate. A net remittance received by mail after the time limit for payment at the net rate will be accepted by the town if the envelope is date-stamped on or before the final date for payment of the net amount.

If a meter fails to register properly, or if a meter is removed to be tested or repaired, or if water is received other than through a meter, the town reserves the right to render an estimated bill based on the best information available. (1982 Code, § 13-117, as amended by Ord. #88-37, Feb. 1989, and Ord. #____, March 1989, modified)

18-117. Discontinuance or refusal of service. The town shall have the right to discontinue water and/or sewer service or to refuse to connect service for a violation of, or a failure to comply with, any of the following:

(1)  These rules and regulations.
(2)  The customer's application for service.
(3)  The customer's contract for service.

The city recorder of the town is expressly authorized to cut off the water of any user who does not pay the monthly bill by 10 days after the discount date
and the recorder is not to renew water service until the delinquent debt is satisfied by the payment of the balance due.

Such right to discontinue service shall apply to all service received through a single connection or service, even though more than one (1) customer or tenant is furnished service therefrom, and even though the delinquency or violation is limited to only one such customer or tenant.

Discontinuance of service by the town for any cause stated in these rules and regulations shall not release the customer from liability for service already received or from liability for payments that thereafter become due under other provisions of the customer's contract.

No service shall be discontinued unless the customer is given reasonable notice in advance of such impending action and the reason therefor. The customer shall also be notified of his right to a hearing prior to such disconnection if he disputes the reason therefor and requests such hearing by the date specified in the notice. When a hearing is requested, the customer shall have the right to have a representative at such hearing and shall be entitled to testify and to present witnesses on his behalf. Also, when such hearing has been requested, the customer's service shall not be terminated until a final decision is reached by the hearing officer and the customer is notified of that decision. (1982 Code, § 13-118, as amended by Ord. #86-21, June 1986)

18-118. Re-connection charge. Whenever service has been discontinued as provided for above, a re-connection charge of twenty-five dollars ($25.00) shall be collected by the town before service is restored. (1982 Code, § 13-119, as amended by Ord. #95-10, Feb. 1996)

18-119. Termination of service by customer. Customers who have fulfilled their contract terms and wish to discontinue service must give advance notice to the town.

When service is being furnished to an occupant of premises under a contract not in the occupant's name, the town reserves the right to impose the following conditions on the right of the customer to discontinue service under such a contract:

(1) Written notice of the customer's desire for such service to be discontinued may be required; and the town shall have the right to continue such service for a period of not to exceed ten (10) days after receipt of such written notice, during which time the customer shall be responsible for all charges for such service. If the town should continue service after such ten (10) day period subsequent to the receipt of the customer's written notice to discontinue service, the customer shall not be responsible for charges for any service furnished after the expiration of such ten (10) day period.

(2) During such ten (10) day period, or thereafter, the occupant of premises to which service has been ordered discontinued by a customer other than such occupant may be allowed by the town to enter into a contract for
service in the occupant's own name upon the occupant's complying with these rules and regulations with respect to a new application for service. (1982 Code, § 13-120)

18-120. **Access to customers' premises.** The town's identified representatives and employees shall be granted access to all customers' premises at all reasonable times for the purpose of reading meters, for testing, inspecting, repairing, removing, and replacing all equipment belonging to the town, and for inspecting customers' plumbing and premises generally in order to secure compliance with these rules and regulations. (1982 Code, § 13-121)

18-121. **Inspections.** The town shall have the right, but shall not be obligated, to inspect any installation or plumbing system before water and/or sewer service is furnished or at any later time. The town reserves the right to refuse service or to discontinue service to any premises not meeting standards fixed by municipal ordinances regulating building and plumbing, or not in accordance with any special contract, these rules and regulations, or other requirements of the town.

Any failure to inspect or reject a customer's installation or plumbing system shall not render the town liable or responsible for any loss or damage which might have been avoided had such inspection or rejection been made. (1982 Code, § 13-122)

18-122. **Customer's responsibility for system's property.** Except as herein elsewhere expressly provided, all meters, service connections, and other equipment furnished by or for the town shall be and remain the property of the town. Each customer shall provide space for and exercise proper care to protect the property of the town on his premises. In the event of loss or damage to such property arising from the neglect of a customer to care for it properly, the cost of necessary repairs or replacements shall be paid by the customer. (1982 Code, § 13-123)

18-123. **Customer's responsibility for violations.** Where the town furnishes water and/or sewer service to a customer, such customer shall be responsible for all violations of these rules and regulations which occur on the premises so served. Personal participation by the customer in any such violations shall not be necessary to impose such personal responsibility on him. (1982 Code, § 13-124)

18-124. **Supply and resale of water.** All water shall be supplied within the town exclusively by the town, and no customer shall, directly or indirectly, sell, sublet, assign, or otherwise dispose of the water or any part thereof except with written permission from the town. There shall be no private water wells within the town. (1982 Code, § 13-125, modified)
18-125. **Unauthorized use of or interference with water supply.** No person shall turn on or turn off any of the town's stop cocks, valves, hydrants, spigots, or fire plugs without permission or authority from the town. A violation of this section is punishable by a fine of fifty dollars ($50.00). Violators shall also compensate the town for water used in the estimate of the town. (1982 Code, § 13-126, modified)

18-126. **Damages to property due to water pressure.** The town shall not be liable to any customer for damages caused to his plumbing or property by high pressure, low pressure, or fluctuations in pressure in the town's water mains. (1982 Code, § 13-127)

18-127. **Liability for cutoff failures.** The town's liability shall be limited to the forfeiture of the right to charge a customer for water that is not used but is received from a service line under any of the following circumstances: (1) After receipt of at least ten (10) days' written notice to cut off a water service, the town has failed to cut off such service.

   (2) The town has attempted to cut off a service but such service has not been completely cut off.

   (3) The town has completely cut off a service but subsequently the cutoff develops a leak or is turned on again so that water enters the customer's pipes from the town's main.

   Except to the extent stated above, the town shall not be liable for any loss or damage resulting from cutoff failures. If a customer wishes to avoid possible damage for cutoff failures, the customer shall rely exclusively on privately owned cutoffs and not on the town's cutoff. Also, the customer (and not the town) shall be responsible for seeing that his plumbing is properly drained and is kept properly drained after his water service has been cut off. (1982 Code, § 13-128)

18-128. **Restricted use of water.** In times of emergencies or in times of water shortage, the town reserves the right to restrict the purposes for which water may be used by a customer and the amount of water which a customer may use. (1982 Code, § 13-129)

18-129. **Interruption of service.** The town will endeavor to furnish continuous water and sewer service, but does not guarantee to the customer any fixed pressure or continuous service. The town shall not be liable for any damages for any interruption of service whatsoever.

   In connection with the operation, maintenance, repair, and extension of the municipal water and sewer systems, the water supply may be shut off without notice when necessary or desirable, and each customer must be prepared for such emergencies. The town shall not be liable for any damages
from such interruption of service or for damages from the resumption of service without notice after any such interruption. (1982 Code, § 13-130)
CHAPTER 2

SEWER USE ORDINANCE

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18-201. Purpose and policy. The purpose of this ordinance is to set uniform requirements for users of the town's wastewater collection system and treatment works to enable the town to comply with the provisions of the Clean Water Act and other applicable federal and state laws and regulations, and to provide for the public health and welfare by regulating the quality of wastewater discharged into the town's wastewater collection system and treatment works. This ordinance establishes conditions for connection to the sanitary sewer system. Certain acts which may be detrimental to the sewer system are prohibited. This ordinance provides a means for determining wastewater volumes, constituents and characteristics, the setting of charges and fees, and the issuance of permits to specific users. This ordinance also establishes effluent limitations and other discharge criteria and provides that certain users shall pretreat waste to prevent the introduction of pollutants into the publicly owned treatment works (POTW) which will interfere with the operation of the POTW, may cause environmental damage, interfere with the use or disposal of sewage sludge; and to prevent the introduction of pollutants into the POTW which will pass through the treatment works into the receiving waters or the atmosphere, or otherwise be incompatible with the treatment works; and to improve the opportunities to recycle and reclaim the wastewater and/or sludge resulting from such treatment. This ordinance provides measures for the enforcement of its provisions and abatement of violations thereof.

This ordinance shall apply to the Town of Bruceton and to persons outside the town limits who are, by contract or agreement with the Town of Bruceton, users of the Bruceton POTW. Except as otherwise provided herein,
the Public Services Director of the Bruceton POTW shall administer, implement, and enforce the provisions of this ordinance. (Ord. #00-04, July 2000)

18-202. Definitions. (1) For the purposes of this ordinance, the following phrases and words shall have the meaning defined below:

(a) "Act" or "the Act." The Federal Water Pollution Control Act, also known as the Clean Water Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1251, et seq.
(b) "Approved pretreatment program." A program administered by a POTW that meets the criteria established in Chapter 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations (40 CFR) 403.8 and 403.9, and which has been approved by the regional administrator or state director in accordance with 40 CFR 403.11.
(c) "Board." The elected Mayor and Board of Aldermen for the Town of Bruceton.
(d) "Building sewer." A sewer conveying wastewater from the premises of a user to a community sanitary sewer.
(e) "Bypass." The intentional diversion of waste streams from any portion of a treatment facility.
(f) "Categorical standards." National pretreatment standards established by the EPA for specific industrial user Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) code categories.
(g) "Combined sewer." A sewer which has been designed to carry both sanitary sewage and storm water runoff.
(h) "Composite sample." Sample consisting of several sample portions collected during a specified period (usually 24 hours) and combined to form a representative sample. Composite samples can be collected on a flow proportional or timed basis, depending on the nature of the discharge.
(i) "Conventional pollutant." Biochemical oxygen demand (BOD), total suspended solids (TSS), pH, fecal coliform, and oil and grease.
(j) "Direct discharge." The discharge of treated or untreated wastewater directly to the waters of the State of Tennessee.
(k) "Discharge monitoring report." A report submitted by an industrial user to the public services director containing information regarding the nature and concentration of pollutants and flow characteristics of a discharge by the user to the POTW.
(l) "Environmental Protection Agency or EPA." An agency of the United States or its duly authorized representative.
(m) "Grab sample." A single sample of wastewater taken at neither set time or flow over a period not to exceed 15 minutes.
(n) "Holding tank waste." Any waste from holding tanks, such as vessels, chemical toilets, campers, trailers, septic tanks, and vacuum-pump tank trucks. This specifically includes wastewater from industrial
users conveyed to the POTW by any means other than by a standard sewer tie-on.

(o) "Indirect discharge." The discharge or the introduction of pollutants from any source regulated under section 307(b) or (c) of the Act into the POTW for treatment before discharge to state waters.

(p) "Industrial user." A source of indirect discharge which does not constitute a "discharge of pollutants" under regulations issued pursuant to Section 402 of the Act. For the purposes of this ordinance, an industrial user is a source of non-domestic wastes from industrial processes.

(q) "Infiltration." Water other than wastewater that enters a sewer system from the ground through such means as defective pipes, pipe joints, connections, or manholes.

(r) "Inflow." Water other than wastewater that enters a sewer system from sources such as roof leaders, cellar drains, yard drains, area drains, fountain drains, drains from springs and swamp areas, manhole covers, cross connections between storm and sanitary sewers, catch basins, storm water, surface runoff, street wash water, and drainage.

(s) "Interference." A discharge which, alone or in conjunction with a discharge or discharges from other sources, inhibits or disrupts the POTW, its treatment processes or operations, or its sludge processes, use or disposal, and is therefore a cause of a violation of any requirement of the POTW's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit, or of the prevention of sewage sludge use or disposal in compliance with the following statutory provisions and regulations or permits issued thereunder (or more stringent state or local regulations) Section 405 of the CWA, the Solid Waste Disposal Act (SWDA), including Title II, more commonly referred to as the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), and including state regulations contained in any state sludge management plan pursuant to Subtitle D of the SWDA, the Clean Air Act, the Toxic Substances Control Act, and the Marine Protection, Research, and Sanctuaries Act.

(t) "Mass discharge rate." The weight of material discharged to community sewer during a given time interval, normally given in pounds per day.

(u) "Medical wastes." Wastes capable of producing an infectious disease because they contain pathogens of sufficient virulence and quantity that exposure to the waste by a susceptible host could result in an infectious disease.

(v) "National pretreatment standard." Any regulations containing pollutant discharge limits promulgated by EPA in accordance with Sections 307(b) and (c) of the Act which applies to industrial users. These terms also include prohibited discharges promulgated in 40 CFR
403.5 and local limits adopted as part of the town's pretreatment program.

(w) "New source." Any building, structure, facility, or installation from which there is or may be a discharge of pollutants, the construction of which commenced after the publication of proposed pretreatment standards under Section 307 (c) of the Act which will be applicable to such source if such standards are thereafter promulgated in accordance with that section.

(x) "National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES)." The program for issuing, conditioning, and denying permits for the discharge of pollutants from point sources into navigable waters, the contiguous zone, and the oceans pursuant to Section 402 of the Act.

(y) "Normal wastewater." Effluent which contains constituents and characteristics similar to effluent from a domestic premises, and specifically for the purpose of this ordinance, does not contain these constituents in excess of the following concentrations:

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(z) "Pass through." A discharge which exits the POTW into waters of the United States in quantities or concentrations which, alone or in conjunction with other discharges, is a cause of a violation of any requirement of the POTW's NPDES permit.

(aa) "Person." Any individual, partnership, co-partnership, firm, company, corporation, association, joint stock company, trust, estate, government entity or any other legal entity, or their legal representatives, agents, or assigns.

(bb) "Pollution." The man made or man induced alteration of the chemical, physical, biological, and radiological integrity of water.

(cc) "Pretreatment." The reduction of the amount of pollutants, the elimination of pollutants, or the alteration of the nature of pollutant properties in wastewater prior to or in lieu of discharging or otherwise introducing such pollutants into a POTW. The reduction or alteration may be obtained by physical, chemical, or biological processes; process change or by other means, except as prohibited by 40 CFR 403.6(d). Appropriate pretreatment technology includes control equipment, such as equalization tanks or facilities, for protection against surges or slug loadings that might interfere with or otherwise be incompatible with the POTW. Where wastewater from a regulated process is mixed with
unregulated wastewater or with wastewater from another regulated process, the effluent from the equalization facility must meet an adjusted pretreatment limit calculated in accordance with 40 CFR 403.6(e).

(dd) "Pretreatment requirements." Any substantive or procedural requirement related to pretreatment other than a national pretreatment standard imposed on an industrial user.

(ee) "Publicly owned treatment works." A treatment works as defined by Section 212 of the Act, which is owned in this instance by the town. This definition includes any sewers that convey wastewater to such a treatment works and any devices and systems used in the storage, treatment, recycling, and reclamation of municipal sewage or liquid industrial waste, but does not include pipes, sewers, or other conveyances not connected to a facility providing treatment.

(ff) "Shall" is mandatory; "May" is permissive.

(gg) "Significant industrial user." (i) All discharges subject to categorical pretreatment standards under 40 CFR 403.6 and 40 CFR Chapter 1, Subchapter N.

(ii) All non-categorical dischargers that contribute a process waste stream which makes up 5 percent or more of the average dry weather capacity of the wastewater treatment plant (WWTP), or more than an average of 25,000 gallons per day of process wastewater to the WWTP.

(iii) All non-categorical dischargers that, in the opinion of the public services director, have a reasonable potential to adversely affect the POTW's operations. This shall include but shall not be limited to all centralized waste treatment discharges, all tank and drum cleaning facilities, and all paint manufacturing facilities.

(iv) All non-categorical discharges that contain more than 100 pounds per day of combined BOD₅ and TSS load above that level found in normal wastewater, or that contain more than 1,000 pounds in a month of combined BOD₅ and TSS load above that level found in normal wastewater.

(hh) "Slug." Any discharge of water, sewage, or industrial waste which in concentration of any given constituent or in quantity of flow exceeds for any given period of duration longer than 15 minutes more than five times the average 24 hour concentrations of flows during normal operation or any discharge of whatever duration that causes the sewer to overflow or back up in an objectionable way or any discharge of whatever duration that interferes with the proper operation of the wastewater treatment facilities or pumping stations.

(ii) "Standard Industrial Classification." A classification pursuant to the Standard Industrial Classification Manual issued by the
Executive Office of the President, Office of Management and Budget, 1972.

(jj) "Public services director." The person designated by the town to supervise the operation of the POTW and who is charged with certain duties and responsibilities by this ordinance, or his duly authorized representative.

(kk) "Toxic pollutants." Any pollutant or combination of pollutants listed as toxic in 40 CFR part 401 as promulgated by the administrator of the EPA under the provisions of the Act.

(ll) "User." Any person, firm, corporation, or government entity that discharges, causes, or permits the discharge of wastewater into a community sewer system.

(mm) "Wastewater." The liquid and waterborne industrial or domestic wastes from dwellings, commercial buildings, industrial facilities, and institutions, whether treated or untreated, which is contributed into or permitted to enter the POTW.

(nn) "Wastewater constituents and characteristics." The individual chemical, physical, bacteriological, and radiological parameters, including toxicity, volume, and flow rate and such other parameters that serve to classify, define, or measure the contents, quality, quantity, and strength of wastewater.

(oo) "Waters of the State of Tennessee." Any water, surface or underground, within the boundaries of the state.

(2) The following abbreviations shall have the following meanings:

(a) BAT - Best available technology.
(b) BPT - Best practical technology.
(c) \( \text{BOD}_5 \) - Biochemical oxygen demand (5-day).
(d) CFR - Code of Federal Regulations.
(e) COD - Chemical oxygen demand.
(f) CWA - Clean Water Act.
(g) EPA - Environmental Protection Agency.
(h) GMP - Good management practices.
(i) MBAS - Methylene blue activated substances.
(j) \( \text{mg/l} \) - Milligrams per liter.
(k) NPDES - National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System.
(l) POTW - Publicly owned treatment works.
(m) RCRA - Resource Conservation and Recovery Act.
(n) SIC - Standard Industrial Classification.
(o) SWDA - Solid Waste Disposal Act.
(p) TDEC - Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation.
(q) TSS - Total suspended solids.
(r) USC - United States Code.
18-203. **Use of public sewers.** (1) **Connection with sanitary sewer required.**  
(a) **Sewer connection required.** Every building having plumbing fixtures installed and intended for human habitation, occupancy, or use on premises abutting a street, alley, or easement in which segment there is a sanitary sewer which is within 500 feet of the building drain of the parcel shall be considered as being served by the town's sanitary sewer system.

All new buildings hereafter constructed on property which is served by the POTW shall not be occupied until the connection has been made. The owner or occupant of each lot or parcel of land which is now served or which may hereafter be served by the POTW shall cease to use any other method for the disposal of sewage except as provided for direct discharge by the TDEC or by discharge to a properly functioning and approved septic tank. Septic tanks shall not be used where sewers are available. The public services director shall make any decision as to the availability of sewers. Not withstanding the above exceptions, all premises served by the POTW are subject to sewer use charges as described in § 18-212 of this ordinance.

(b) **Unconnected sewer service lines prohibited.** Except for discharge to a properly functioning septic tank system, or discharges permitted by an NPDES permit issue by the TDEC, the discharge of sewage into places other than the POTW is prohibited. Newly annexed premises may continue to discharge to a properly functioning septic tank system until such time that the system is no longer functioning properly. At this time, the premises would be required to connect to the sanitary sewer.

(c) **Insufficient capacity, connection moratorium.** In those parts of the sewer system where no additional capacity exists and a sewer moratorium has been established pursuant to orders of the TDEC, no new or additional sewer connections shall be permitted. Permits issued prior to the date of the moratorium may be completed. No new plumbing permits shall be issued for new buildings in a moratorium area after the effective date of the moratorium. A moratorium shall continue to be in effect until capacity restriction has been corrected.

(2) **Adequate and minimum fixtures.**  
(a) **Minimum number of fixtures.** A dwelling shall have at least one commode, one bathtub or shower, one lavatory, one kitchen-type sink, and an adequate source of hot water for each family unit to meet minimum basic requirements for health, sanitation, and personal hygiene. All other buildings, structures, or premises intended for human occupancy or use shall be provided with adequate sanitary facilities as may be required by any other law or
regulation, but not less than one commode and one hand washing lavatory.

(b) **Adequate water for disposal of waste.** It shall be unlawful for any person in possession of premises into which a pipe or other connection with the sanitary sewers and drains have been laid to permit the same to remain without adequate fixtures attached to allow sufficient quantity of water to be so applied as to properly carry off all waste matter and keep the same unobstructed.

(3) **Right to enter and inspect connection.** The public services director, building inspector, or their representative shall have free and unobstructed access to any part of the premises where house drains or other drains connected with or draining into the sanitary sewer are laid for the purpose of examining the construction, condition, and method of use of the same, upon cause of reasonable suspicion that there may be inadequate facilities, the facilities present may not be properly functioning, there is an improper discharge, or upon a periodic systematic inspection of a particular drainage basin or other large segment of the system through those facilities at any time of the day between the hours of 7:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M. or at any other time in the event of an emergency. If such entry is refused, the sewer service may be disconnected upon reasonable notice and an opportunity for a hearing. The service may be suspended immediately in the event of an emergency if there is reasonable cause to suspect that the discharge will endanger the public health or the environment, shall have the potential to disrupt the treatment process, or shall damage the POTW’s lines or facilities, and a hearing shall thereafter be afforded the user as soon as possible.

(4) **Demolished buildings.** When a building is demolished, it shall be the responsibility of the owner to have the sewer service line plugged securely so that extraneous water will not enter the sewer. The owner of the premises or his representative shall notify the public services director of such a plug and allow same to be inspected prior to covering any work. If such a line is to be reused, it must first undergo inspection by the public services director and be in conformity with the existing standards.

(5) **Temporary discharges.** No person shall discharge any substance directly into a manhole or other opening in a sanitary sewer other than through an approved building sewer unless they have been issued a temporary permit by the public services director. A temporary permit may be issued at the discretion of the public services director to provide for discharges from portable facilities for festivals or public shows or for other reasonable purposes. The public services director shall incorporate in such a temporary permit such conditions as he deems reasonably necessary to ensure compliance with provisions of this ordinance. The user shall be required to pay reasonable charges and fees for the permit and service in an amount not less than the charges and fees for normal discharges. Any discharge other than through an
approved building sewer or in accordance with a permit issued by the public services director shall be unlawful.

(6) Vehicle wash racks. All gasoline stations, garages, self-service vehicle washers, and other public wash racks where vehicles are washed shall install catch basins in conformity with the plumbing code in accordance with a permit obtained from the building official. In the event any existing premises does not have a catch basin and the sewer line servicing the facility stops up due to grit or slime in the sewer lines, then the owner or operator of such premises shall be required to modify these facilities to construct a catch basin as a condition of continuing use of the system. If such users are industrial users as defined in § 18-208 of this ordinance, a permit as specified therein will be required.

(7) Grease, grit, oil, and lint traps. Restaurants, laundries, wash racks, service stations, private multi-user systems, engine or machinery repair shops, and other facilities that produce grease, grit, oil, lint, or other materials which accumulate and cause or threaten to cause stoppages or impair the efficiency of the POTW sewers or threaten the safety of its employees, shall install and maintain a grease trap, grit trap, lint trap, oil interceptor, or other appropriate device of standard design and construction to prevent excess discharges of such materials. The design and construction of any such device shall be subject to prior approval of the public services director and constructed in accordance with applicable building codes.

(8) Multi-use private sewer systems. Excluding those industrial waste facilities with a permit issued pursuant to § 18-208, the owner or operator of a private sewer system such as, but not limited to, multi-tenant buildings, building complexes, and shopping centers shall be responsible for the quality of wastewater discharged at the point of connection to the POTW's sanitary sewer system and shall be responsible for any violations of the provisions of this chapter, including liability for the damage or injury caused to the POTW as a result of any discharge through the private system. (Ord. #00-04, July 2000)

18-204. Building sewers, connections, and permits. (1) Installation, maintenance, repair of sewer service lines. (a) Definition. A standard sanitary sewer service line is a minimum 4 inch schedule 40 PVC pipe extending from the sewer main or trunk location in a street, alley, or easement to the property served by the main trunk.

(b) Installation of sewer service lines. Four inch building sewers shall be laid on a grade greater than 1/8" per foot (at least 1%). Larger building sewers shall be laid on a grade that will produce a velocity when flowing full of at least 2 feet per second. The slope and alignment of all building sewers shall be neat and regular.

Building sewers shall be constructed only of one of the following approved materials:
(i) Cast iron soil pipe using rubber compression joints of approved type;  
(ii) Polyvinyl chloride pipe with solvent welded or rubber compression joints;  
(iii) ABS composite sewer pipe with solvent welded or rubber compression joints of approved type; or  
(iv) Similar materials of equal or superior quality following public services director approval. Under no circumstances will cement mortar joints be acceptable. Each connection to the sewer system must be made at a wye, or service line stubbed out, or in the absence of any other provision, by means of a saddle of a type approved by the town, attached to the sewer. No connection may be made by breaking into an existing sewer and inserting the service line.

The building sewer may be brought into the building below the basement floor when gravity flow from the building to the sewer is at a grade of 1 percent or more. In cases where basement or floor levels are lower than the ground levels at the point of connection to the sewer, adequate precautions through the installation of check valves or other backflow prevention devices to protect against flooding shall be provided by the owner. In all buildings in which any building drain is too low to permit gravity flow to the sewer, wastes carried by such building drain shall be lifted by an approved means and discharged into the POTW sewer.

(c) **Cleanouts.** A cleanout shall be located 5 feet outside of the building, one as it taps on to the utility laterally and one at each change of direction of the building sewer greater than 45 degrees. Additional cleanouts shall be placed not more than 75 feet apart in horizontal building sewers of 4 inch diameter and not more than 100 feet apart for larger pipes. Cleanouts shall extend to or above the finished grade level directly above the place where the cleanout is installed. A "Y" (wy) and 1/8 bend shall be used for the cleanout base. Cleanouts shall not be smaller than four inches on a four inch pipe.

(d) **Fees.** All costs and expenses incident to the installation, connection, and inspection of the building sewer shall be borne by the owner. The owner shall indemnify the town from any loss or damage that may directly or indirectly be occasioned by the installation of the building sewer. The town reserves the right to impose a sewer service line charge for every sanitary sewer service line installed where a lateral sewer connection has been provided for use by the applicant. The rate of charge will be established by the public services director.

(e) **Title and maintenance.** When a property owner ties into a sanitary sewer service line and pays the appropriate sewer service line fees, the town, by appropriate instrument, shall convey and release to the
property owner, all its right, title, and interest in the sanitary sewer service line so installed by the town. Thereafter, all repairs and maintenance of the sanitary sewer service line shall be the responsibility of the property owner or user of the sewer; provided, for all sanitary sewer service lines hereafter installed by developers in subdivisions and not by the utility, for which no sewer service line charge is charged to the property owner, all repairs, and maintenance of such sanitary sewer service lines shall be the responsibility of either the property owner, user of the sewer, or the developer, as the owner, user, and developer shall agree by separate contract between themselves.

(f) **Location of sewer stub-out.** The plumbing contractor is responsible for locating the sewer stub-out. POTW personnel will provide whatever information is available for this purpose. If no "Y" or tee exists within 3 feet of either side of the location shown on the sewer plats, then a tap will be provided by the POTW when the sewer main is exposed. If a manhole needed for locating a service line has been lost, then the POTW shall be responsible for locating the manhole.

(g) **Taps on utility sewers.** All taps made directly into the town's sewer lines shall be made by sewer maintenance personnel. The town shall install the tap. Only one service line shall be allowed to be installed in a trench. New taps shall be made using a "Y"-type connection.

(h) **Manhole requirements.** A new manhole will be required whenever a sewer service line larger than 6 inches is needed to tie into the town's sewer. The town shall excavate to the sewer and sufficiently expose the pipe for installation of the manhole. Sewer maintenance personnel shall install the manhole. The cost of the manhole, including labor and materials, shall be charged to the owner after construction is completed.

(i) **Maintenance of service lines.** All repairs and maintenance of the sewer service line to include correction of excessive inflow or infiltration shall be the responsibility of the property owner or user of the sewer. The town shall be responsible for the maintenance of collector lines only up to the point where the owner's service line connects to the town's lines.

(j) **Methods of installation.** The methods to be used in excavating, placing of pipe, jointing, testing, backfilling the trench, or other activities in the construction or repair of a building sewer which have not been described in this section shall conform to the requirements of the building or plumbing code or other applicable rules and regulations of the town or to the procedures set forth in appropriate specifications of the ASTM and Water Pollution Control Federation manuals. Any deviation from the prescribed procedures must be approved by the public services director.
(k) **Public safety.** All excavations for building sewer installation shall be adequately guarded with barricades and lights so as to protect the public from potential hazard. Streets, sidewalks, parkways, and other public property disturbed in the course of the work shall be restored in a manner acceptable to the town.

(l) **Prohibitions.** No person shall make connection of roof downspouts, exterior foundation drains, area drains, basement drains, or other sources of surface run-off or groundwater to a building sewer or drain which in turn is connected either directly or indirectly to the sanitary sewer.

(2) **Service line to enter sewer at junction; exceptions.** No service lines shall enter the sanitary sewer at any point except where a junction has been made unless special permission has been given by the public services director. In any case where such permission has been given, the work shall be done under the inspection of the public services director or his representative and at the risk and expense of the party making the connection.

(3) **Application for discharge of domestic wastewater.** All users or prospective users which generate domestic wastewater shall make application to the public services director for written authorization to discharge to the sanitary sewer. Applications shall be required from all new dischargers as well as for existing dischargers desiring additional service. Connection to the sanitary sewer shall not be made until the application is received and approved by the public services director, the building sewer is installed in accordance with § 18-204 of this ordinance and an inspection has been performed by the public services director or his representative.

Connections made without an approved application may be severed by order of the public services director. Such unapproved connection may be allowed to remain active if inspected and accepted; however, the owner shall be required to pay an alternative fee in lieu of the permit application fee in an amount double the current fee.

The receipt by the town of a prospective customer's application for service shall in no way obligate the town to render the service. If the service applied for cannot be supplied in accordance with this ordinance and the town's rules and regulations, the connection charge will be refunded in full, and there shall be no liability of the town to the applicant for such service, except that conditional waivers may be granted for additional services by the public services director for interim periods if compliance may be assured within a reasonable period of time.

(4) **Acceptance of work.** All sewer construction involving interceptor lines, pump stations, metering stations, and appurtenances which shall become part of the town's sewer system shall not be constructed until the plans are approved and the construction inspected and approved by the public services director. Any construction work where sewers are opened, uncovered, or
undercut must also have the prior approval of the public services director. (Ord. #00-04, July 2000)

18-205. **Private domestic wastewater disposal.** (1) Availability. Where a public sanitary sewer is not available under the provisions of § 18-203 of this ordinance, the building sewer shall be connected to a private wastewater disposal system complying with the requirements of this section.

Where a public sewer shall become available, the building sewer shall be connected to said sewer within ninety days after official notification by the public services director or his representative to do so.

(2) **Requirements.** (a) A private domestic wastewater disposal system may not be constructed within the service areas or any newly annexed areas unless and until a certificate is obtained from the public services director stating that a public sewer is not accessible to the property and no such sewer is proposed for construction in the immediate future. No certificate shall be issued for any private domestic wastewater disposal system employing sub-surface soil absorption facilities where the area of the lot is less than that specified by the Town of Bruceton and the Carroll County Health Department.

(b) Before commencement of construction of a private sewage disposal system, the owner shall first obtain written permission from the town and the Carroll County Health Department. The owner shall supply any plans, specifications, and other information as are deemed necessary by the town and the Carroll County Health Department.

(c) A private sewage disposal system shall not be placed in operation until the installation is completed to the satisfaction of the town and Carroll County Health Department. They shall be allowed to inspect the work at any stage of construction and, in any event, the owner shall notify the town and Carroll County Health Department when the work is ready for final inspection, and before any underground portions are covered. The inspection shall be made within a reasonable period of time after the receipt of notice by the town and Carroll County Health Department.

(d) The type, capacity, location, and layout of a private sewage disposal system shall comply with all the recommendations of the TDEC, the Carroll County Health Department, and the Town of Bruceton. No septic tank or cesspool shall be permitted to discharge to any natural outlet.

(e) The owner shall operate and maintain the private sewage disposal facilities in a sanitary manner at all times, at no expense to the town.

(f) No statement contained in this article shall be construed to interfere with any additional requirements that may be imposed by the
town and/or the Carroll County Health Department. (Ord. #00-04, July 2000)

18-206. **Prohibitions and limitations.** (1) **Purpose and policy.** This section establishes limitations and prohibitions on the quantity and quality of wastewater which may be legally discharged to the POTW. Pretreatment of some wastewater discharges will be required to achieve the goals established by this section and the Clean Water Act. The specific limitations set forth in this section are subject to change as necessary to enable the town to provide efficient wastewater treatment, to protect the public health and environment, and to enable the town to meet requirements contained in its NPDES permit. The public services director shall review said limitations from time to time to ensure that they are sufficient to protect the health and safety of POTW personnel and the operation of the treatment works to enable the facility to comply with its NPDES permit, provide for a cost effective means of operating the treatment works, and protect the public health and environment. The public services director shall recommend changes or modifications as necessary.

(2) **Prohibited pollutants.** No person shall introduce into the POTW any pollutant(s) which cause pass-through or interference. Additionally, the following specific prohibitions apply:

(a) Pollutants which create a fire or explosion hazard in the POTW, including but not limited to, pollutants with a closed-cup flashpoint of less than 140 degrees Fahrenheit (60 degrees Centigrade), as determined by a Pensky-Martens closed-cup tester, using the test method specified in the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) D-93-79 or D-93-80k, or a Setaflash closed-cup tester, using the tester method specified in ASTM D-3278-78, or pollutants which cause an exceedance of 10 percent of the lower explosive limit (LEL) at any point within the POTW.

(b) Pollutants which cause corrosive structural damage to the POTW, but in no case discharges with a pH less than 5.0.

(c) Solid or viscous pollutants in amounts which cause obstruction to the flow of the sewers, or other interference with the operation of or which may cause damage to the POTW, including waxy or other materials which tend to clog and/or coat a sewer line or other related appurtenances.

(d) Any pollutant, including oxygen-demanding pollutants (BOD, etc.), released in a discharge of such volume or strength (slug) so as to cause interference in the POTW or individual unit operations or cause adverse effects on its workers or the environment.

(e) Heat in amounts which will inhibit biological activity in the POTW resulting in interference, but in no case heat in such quantities that the temperature at the treatment works influent exceeds 104 degrees Fahrenheit (40 degrees Centigrade).
Unless a higher discharge temperature is specified in the user's wastewater discharge permit, no user shall discharge into a sewer line or other appurtenance of the POTW wastewater with a temperature exceeding 150 degrees Fahrenheit (65.5 degrees Centigrade).

(f) Pollutants which result in the presence of toxic gases, vapors, or fumes within the POTW in a quantity that may cause acute worker health and safety problems.

(g) Any trucked or hauled pollutants, except at discharge points specified by the POTW.

(h) Petroleum oil, non-biodegradeable cutting oil, or products of mineral oil origin in amounts that cause interference or pass-through.

(i) Any pollutant which causes a discoloration of the WWTP effluent resulting in a degradation of receiving water quality and/or NPDES permit violation.

(3) Affirmative defenses. A user shall have an affirmative defense in any action brought against it alleging a violation of the general prohibitions established in § 18-206(2) of this ordinance where the user can demonstrate one of the following:

(a) It did not know or have reason to know that its discharge, alone or in conjunction with a discharge or discharges from other sources, would cause pass-through or interference.

(b) A local limit designed to prevent pass through and/or interference, as the case may be, was developed pursuant to §§ 18-206(10) and 18-206(11) of this ordinance for each pollutant in the user's discharge that caused pass-through or interference and the user was in compliance with each such local limit directly prior to and during the pass-through or interference.

(c) If a local limit designed to prevent pass-through and/or interference, as the case may be, has not been developed for the pollutant(s) that caused the pass-through or interference and the user's discharge directly prior to and during the pass-through or interference did not change substantially in nature of constituents from the user's prior discharge activity when the POTW was regularly in compliance with its NPDES permit requirements and, in the case of interference, applicable requirements for sewage sludge use or disposal.

(4) Wastewater constituent evaluation. The wastewater of every industrial user shall be evaluated using the following criteria:

(a) Wastewater containing any element or compound which is known to be an environmental hazard and which is not adequately removed by the treatment works.

(b) Wastewater causing a pass-through, discoloration, foam, floating oil and grease, or any other condition in the quality of the treatment works effluent such that receiving water quality requirements
established by law cannot be met or the town's NPDES permit requirements are violated.

(c) Wastewater causing conditions at or near the town's treatment works which violate any statute, rule, or regulation of any public agency of Tennessee or the United States.

(d) Wastewater containing any element or compound known to act as a lacrimator, known to cause nausea, or known to cause odors constituting a public nuisance.

(e) Wastewater causing interference with the effluent or any other product of the treatment process, residues, sludges, or scums causing them to be unsuitable for reclamation, reuse, causing interference with the reclamation process, or causing them to be unsuitable for disposal.

(f) Wastewater discharged at a point in the collection system that is upstream of any overflow, bypass, or combined sewer overflow and which may thereby cause special environmental problems or specific discharge limitations.

(g) Wastewater having constituents and concentrations in excess of those listed in § 18-206(10) or cause an exceedance of the limits in § 18-206(11).

(h) The capacity of existing sewer lines to carry the anticipated wastewater flow, particularly with respect to any problems, overflows, or overloads caused by heavy rain infiltration.

(i) The toxicity of each wastewater shall be evaluated by an appropriate biomonitoring technique to determine if a specific discharge may significantly affect the overall toxic level of the POTW influent.

The public services director shall establish reasonable limitations, prohibitions, or monitoring requirements in addition to the limits established pursuant to §§ 18-206(5) and 18-206(6) of this ordinance in the wastewater discharge permit of any industrial user that discharges wastewater violating any of the above criteria or that has processes that generate wastewater and could violate any of the above criteria prior to pretreatment as shall be reasonably necessary to achieve the purpose and policy of this section.

(5) National pretreatment standards. Certain industrial users are now or hereafter shall become subject to national pretreatment standards promulgated by the EPA specifying quantities or concentrations of pollutants or pollutant properties which may be discharged into the POTW. All industrial users subject to such a standard shall comply with all requirements and with any additional or more stringent limitations contained in this ordinance. Compliance with current or newly promulgated national pretreatment standards for existing sources shall be within 3 years following promulgation of the standards unless a shorter compliance time is specified. Compliance for new sources shall be required upon promulgation of the standard. New sources shall have in operating condition and shall start up all pollution control
equipment required to meet applicable pretreatment standards before commencing discharge. New sources must meet applicable pretreatment standard within 90 days of commencement of discharge.

(6) Dilution. Except where expressly authorized by an applicable national pretreatment standard, no industrial user shall increase the use of process water or in any way attempt to dilute a discharge as a partial or complete substitution for adequate treatment to achieve compliance with such standard.

(7) Limitations on radioactive waste. No person shall discharge or permit to be discharged any radioactive waste into a community sewer, except as follows:

(a) When the person is authorized to use radioactive materials by the TDEC or the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC).
(b) When the waste is discharged in strict conformity with applicable laws and regulations of the agencies having jurisdiction.
(c) When a copy of permits received from said regulatory agencies has been filed with the public services director.

(8) Septic tank hauling, pumping, and discharge. No person owning vacuum or cesspool pump trucks or other liquid waste transport trucks shall discharge sewage directly or indirectly into the POTW, unless that person first receives from the public services director a septic tank discharge permit for each vehicle used in this manner. All applicants for a septic tank discharge permit shall complete the forms required by the public services director, pay appropriate fees, and agree in writing to abide by the provisions of this ordinance and any special conditions or regulations established by the public services director.

(a) The owners of such vehicles shall affix and display the permit number in 4 inch block figures on the side of each vehicle used for such purposes.

(b) The permit shall be valid for a period of 3 years from date of issuance, provided that the permit shall be subject to suspension or revocation by the public services director for violation of any of the provisions of the ordinance or other applicable laws or regulations. A revocation or suspension of the permit shall be for a period not to exceed 5 years. Such revocation for suspension shall bind the permittee, any member of the immediate family of the permittee, or any person who has purchased the business or a substantial amount of the assets of the permittee. Users found operating in violation of a permit issued under this section and whose permit is therefore revoked by the public services director, shall be notified of the violation by certified mail or by notice personally delivered to the user.

(c) Septic tank discharge permits are not automatically renewed. Application for renewal must be made to the public services director.
(d) Such permits shall be limited to the discharge of domestic sewage waste containing no industrial waste. All other hauled wastes shall be governed by § 18-206(9). Any user transporting, collecting, or discharging non-domestic industrial process wastewaters or a mixture of such wastewaters with domestic wastewaters shall obtain a holding tank discharge permit in accordance with § 18-206(9).

(e) The public services director shall designate the location and times where such trucks may be discharged and may refuse to accept any truckload of waste at his absolute discretion where it appears that the waste could interfere with the effective operation of the treatment works or any sewer line or appurtenance, or where it appears that a truckload of waste contains industrial process waste or a mixture of domestic sewage and industrial process waste.

(f) The public services director shall have authority to investigate the source of any hauled waste and to require testing the waste at the expense of the discharger prior to discharge.

(9) Other holding tank wastes. No user shall discharge any other holding tank wastes, including hauled industrial waste, into the POTW unless he has been issued a holding tank discharge permit by the public services director. Unless otherwise allowed under the terms and conditions of the permit, a separate permit must be secured for each separate discharge. All applicants for a holding tank discharge permit shall complete forms required by the public services director, pay appropriate fees, and agree in writing to abide by the provisions of this ordinance and any special conditions or regulations established by the public services director. All such dischargers and transporters must show that they have complied with federal manifests and other regulations of the RCRA. The permit shall state the specific location of the discharge, the time of day the discharge is to occur, the volume of discharge, the source and character of the waste, and shall limit the wastewater constituents of the discharge. The user shall pay any applicable charges or fees and shall comply with the conditions of the permit.

(10) Criteria to protect the treatment plant influent. The POTW shall monitor the treatment plant influent for each pollutant in the following tables. Industrial users shall be subject to reporting and monitoring requirements as set forth in this ordinance. In the event that the influent at the POTW reaches or exceeds the levels set forth in these tables, the public services director shall initiate technical studies to determine the cause of the exceedance and shall recommend to the town the necessary remedial measures. The public services director may also recommend changes to these criteria in the event that the POTW effluent standards are changed, there are changes in applicable laws or regulations, or changes are needed for more effective operation of the POTW.

Protection criteria have been established for the WWTP influent and are listed in Table A.
### Table A - Plant Protection Criteria
**Bruceton WWTP (proposed 5-2000)**

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Footnotes:

1. Criteria based on pass through/removal efficiency
2. Criteria based on process inhibition

*The sum of bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate, butyl benzyl phthalate, di-n-butyl phthalate, and diethylphthalate.

3. (a) Storm drainage, ground, unpolluted and contaminated storm water. No storm water, ground water, rain water, street drainage,
rooftop drainage, basement drainage, subsurface drainage, foundation drainage, yard drainage, swimming pool drainage, process water drainage, cooling water, or other unpolluted or minimally polluted water shall be discharged into the town’s sewer unless no other reasonable alternative is available, except with permission from the public services director. Reasonable conditions shall be prescribed, and a sewer service charge will be issued based upon the quantity of water discharged as measured by a flow meter or a reasonable estimate accepted by the public services director. All users shall be required to maintain their private sewer lines so as to prevent infiltration of ground or storm water as a condition of use of the system and shall immediately replace or repair any leaking or damaged lines.

(b) The POTW will accept discharge of contaminated storm water if the following criteria are met:
   (i) All known and available technology will not prevent contamination or treat contaminated water to meet state standards for discharge to receiving waters or will cause unreasonable financial burden;
   (ii) The contaminated storm water meets the POTW's discharge limits and all state and federal pretreatment requirements; and
   (iii) The volume of discharge will not exceed the hydraulic loading in the collection system or the treatment plant.

(12) Use of garbage disposals. No waste from garbage disposals shall be discharged into the POTW's sewers except from private garbage disposals used in an individual residence or upon permit issued by the public services director for preparation of food consumed on premises, and then only when applicable fees are paid. It shall be unlawful for any person to use a garbage disposal grinder connected to the sewer system for the purpose of grinding and discharging plastic, paper products, inert materials, or anything other than the waste products from normal food preparation and consumption.

(13) Hospital or medical waste. It shall be unlawful for any person to dispose of medical waste, surgical operating room waste, or delivery room waste into the sewer.

(14) Obstruction or damage to sewer. It shall be unlawful for any person to deposit or cause to be deposited any waste which may obstruct or damage storm or sanitary sewer lines or which may inhibit, disrupt, or damage either system, including the sewage treatment process and operations. This prohibition includes all substances, whether liquid, solid, gaseous, or radioactive and whether associated with human habitation, of human or animal origin, or from any producing, manufacturing, or processing. It shall be unlawful to block or obstruct any catch basin, sewer line, or other appurtenance; or to break, injure, or remove any portion from any part of a sewer, drain, or catch basin, including plates covering manholes. (Ord. #00-04, July 2000)
18-207. **Control of prohibited pollutants.** (1) **Pretreatment requirements.** Industrial users of the POTW shall design, construct, operate, and maintain wastewater pretreatment facilities when necessary to reduce or modify the user's wastewater composition to achieve compliance with the limitations in wastewater strength set forth in §§ 18-206(10) and 18-206(11) of this ordinance, to meet applicable national pretreatment standards, to prevent slug discharges or to meet any other wastewater condition or limitation contained in the industrial user's wastewater discharge permit.

(2) **Plans and specifications.** Plans and specifications for wastewater monitoring or pretreatment facilities shall be prepared, signed, and dated by a competent environmental professional, and be submitted to the public services director for review in accordance with accepted practices. The public services director shall review the plans within 30 days of receipt and recommend to the user any appropriate changes. Prior to beginning construction of a monitoring or pretreatment facility, the user shall submit a set of construction plans and specifications to be maintained by the public services director. Prior to beginning construction, the industrial user shall also secure all necessary permits.

The user shall construct the pretreatment facility within the time frame specified in the compliance schedule of the wastewater discharge permit. Following completion of construction, the user shall provide the public services director with as-built drawings to be maintained by the public services director. The review of such plans and specifications will in no way relieve the user from the responsibility of modifying the facilities as necessary to produce effluent complying with the provisions of this ordinance. Any subsequent changes in the pretreatment facilities or methods of operations shall be reported to and approved by the public services director prior to implementation.

(3) **Prevention of accidental discharges.** All users shall provide such facilities and institute such procedures as are reasonably necessary to prevent or minimize the potential for accidental discharge into the POTW of waste regulated by this ordinance from liquid or raw material storage areas, from truck and rail car loading and unloading areas, from in-plant transfer or processing and materials handling areas, and from diked areas or holding ponds of any waste regulated by this ordinance. The wastewater discharge permit of any user who has a history of significant leaks, spills, or other accidental discharge of regulated waste shall be subject on a case by case basis to a special permit condition or requirement for the construction of facilities or establishment of procedures which will prevent or minimize the potential for accidental discharge. Plans, specifications, and operating procedures shall be developed by the user and submitted to the public services director for review.

(4) **Oil and grease control program.** Disposal of oil by discharge to the sewer system is not permitted. Oils include automotive lubricating oils, transmission and brake fluid, other industrial oils, and vegetable oils used in a restaurant or food processing facility.
Dischargers of oil and grease waste shall be required to provide an equivalent of primary treatment based on gravity separation of visible and floating oil and grease sludge from wastewater discharges. Such treatment processes shall be subject to good management practices and approval by the public services director. Discharges shall also be subject to monitoring, entry, inspection, reporting, and other requirements as determined by the public services director. These dischargers may be required to apply for industrial waste discharge permits if it is determined that the dischargers are a source of prohibited pollutants, toxic pollutants, or are otherwise controlled by federal or state regulations. All dischargers of oil and grease as listed above are subject to all enforcement and penalty provisions of this ordinance.

(5) Slug control program. (a) Each user shall provide protection from slug discharges of restricted materials or other substances regulated by this article. A slug is defined as any pollutants, including oxygen demanding pollutants, released in a discharge of such volume or strength as to cause interference in the POTW or individual unit operations or cause adverse effects upon its employees or the environment. No user shall be permitted to discharge into the system until the need for slug control plans or procedures has been reviewed by the public services director.

(b) Certain users will be required to prepare spill response plans showing facilities and procedures for providing this protection. These plans shall be submitted to the public services director for review and approval. All users required to have such a plan shall submit it within 30 days of notification by the public services director and complete implementation within 90 days of notification.

(c) In the case of a slug discharge, it is the responsibility of the user to immediately notify the POTW of the incident by telephone or in person. Information concerning the location of the discharge, type of wastes, concentration and volume, and corrective action shall be provided by the user.

Within 5 days following a slug discharge, the user shall submit a detailed written report describing the cause of the discharge and the measures being taken by the user to prevent future occurrences. Such notification shall not relieve the user of any expense, loss, damage, or other liability which might be incurred as a result of damage to the POTW, fish kills, or any other damage to persons or property, nor shall notification relieve the user of any fines, civil penalties, or other liability which may be imposed by this ordinance or other applicable law.

(d) A notice shall be permanently posted on the user's premises advising employees of a contract to call in the event of a slug discharge. The user shall ensure that all employees who may cause or allow such slug discharge to occur are advised of the proper emergency notification procedure.
(6) Prohibition of bypass. (a) Except as allowed in paragraph (c) below, bypass is prohibited, and the public services director may take enforcement action against an industrial user for a bypass; unless:

(i) The bypass was unavoidable to prevent loss of life, personal injury, or severe property damage.

(ii) There were no feasible alternatives to the bypass, such as the use of auxiliary treatment facilities, retention of untreated wastes, or maintenance during normal periods of equipment downtime. This condition is not satisfied if adequate backup equipment should have been installed.

(iii) The user submitted notices as required in § 18-209(13).

(b) The public services director may approve an anticipated bypass after considering its adverse effect if the public services director determines that it will meet the 3 conditions listed in paragraph (a) of this section.

(c) An industrial user may allow a bypass to occur which does not cause pretreatment standards or requirements to be violated, but only if it is for essential maintenance to ensure efficient operation. These bypasses are not subject to the reporting provisions of § 18-209(13).

(7) Exceptions to wastewater limitations. (a) Applicability. This section provides a method for industrial users subject to the limitation on wastewater pollutants listed in §§ 18-206(10) and 18-206(11) to apply for and receive a temporary exemption to the discharge level for one or more pollutants or parameters.

(b) Time of application. Applicants shall apply for a temporary exemption when they are required to apply for a wastewater discharge permit or renewal provided that the public services director allows applications at any time unless the applicant has submitted the same or substantially similar application within the preceding year that was denied by the board.

(c) Written applications. All applications for an exception shall be in writing and shall contain sufficient information for evaluation of each of the factors to be considered by the public services director pursuant to paragraph (d) of this section.

(d) Review by the public services director. All applications for an exception shall be reviewed by the public services director. If the application does not contain sufficient information for complete evaluation, the public services director shall notify the applicant of the deficiencies and request additional information. The applicant shall have 30 days following notification by the public services director to correct such deficiencies. This 30 day period may be extended by the public services director upon application and for just cause. Upon receipt of a complete application, the public services director shall evaluate it within
30 days and approve or deny the application based upon the following factors:

(i) The public services director shall consider if the applicant is subject to a national pretreatment standard containing discharge limitations more stringent than those in §§ 18-206(10) and 18-206(11) and grant an exception only if such exception is within limitations of applicable federal regulations.

(ii) The public services director shall consider if the exception would apply to discharge of a substance classified as a toxic substance under regulations promulgated by the EPA under the provisions of Section 307(a) of the Act, or similar state regulation, and then grant an exception only if such exception may be granted within the limitations of federal and state regulations.

(iii) The public services director shall consider if the exception would create conditions or a hazard to town personnel that would reduce the effectiveness of the POTW taking into consideration the concentration of said pollutant in the treatment works’ influent and the design capability of the treatment works.

(iv) The public services director shall consider the possibility of the exception causing the POTW to violate its NPDES permit.

(v) The public services director shall consider if the exception would cause elements or compounds to be present in the sludge of the treatment works which would prevent sludge use or disposal by the POTW or which would cause the POTW to violate any regulation promulgated by EPA under the provisions of Section 405 of the Act or similar regulatory measure.

(vi) The public services director may consider the cost of pretreatment or other types of control techniques which would be necessary for the user to achieve effluent reduction, but prohibitive cost alone shall not be the basis for granting an exception.

(vii) The public services director may consider the age of equipment and industrial facilities involved to the extent that such factors affect the quality or quantity of wastewater discharge.

(viii) The public services director may consider the process employed by the user and process changes available which would affect the quality or quantity of wastewater discharge.

(ix) The public services director may consider the engineering aspects of various types of pretreatment or other control techniques available to the user to improve the quality or quantity of wastewater discharge.

(x) The public services director may consider an application for exception based upon the fact that water conservation measures instituted or proposed by the user result in
a higher concentration of particular pollutants in the wastewater discharge of the user without increasing the amount of mass pollutants discharged. To be eligible for an exception under this subparagraph, the applicant must show that except for wastewater conservation measures, the applicant's discharge has been or would be in compliance with the limitations on wastewater strength set forth in § 18-206(10). No such exception shall be granted if the increased concentration of pollutants in the applicant's wastewater would have significant adverse impact upon the operation of the POTW.

(e) **Review by board.** The board shall review any appeal to a denial by the public services director of an application for an exception and shall take into account the same factors considered by the public services director. At such a hearing, the applicant and the public services director shall have the right to present relevant proof by oral or documentary evidence. The procedure set forth in § 18-210(1) shall be applicable to such a hearing. The applicant shall bear the burden of proof in an appeal hearing.

(f) **Good management practices.** The public services director or board shall not grant an exception unless the applicant demonstrates to the board that good management practices (GMP) are being employed to reduce or prevent the contribution of pollutants to the POTW. GMP's include, but are not limited to, preventive operating and maintenance procedures, schedule of activities, process changes, prohibiting activities, and other management practices to reduce the quantity or increase the quality of effluent discharged and to control plant site runoff, spillage, leaks, and drainage from raw material storage. (Ord. #00-04, July 2000)

18-208. **Wastewater discharge permits.** (1) **Applicability.** The provisions of this ordinance are applicable to all industrial users of the POTW. The town has an "approved POTW pretreatment program" as that term is defined in 40 CFR, Part 403.3(d) and any permits issued hereunder to industrial users who are subject to or who become subject to a national categorical pretreatment standard shall be conditioned upon the industrial user also complying with all applicable substantive and procedural requirements promulgated by the EPA or the State of Tennessee regarding such categorical standards unless an exception for the town's program or for the specific industrial categories is authorized.

(2) **Application and permit requirements.** Prior to discharging non-domestic waste into the POTW, all significant industrial users of the POTW shall obtain a wastewater discharge permit. The industrial user shall request that the public services director determine if the proposed discharge is significant as defined in § 18-202. If the discharge is determined not to be significant, the public services director may still establish appropriate discharge
conditions for the user. Any noncategorical industrial user designated as significant may petition the public services director to be deleted from the list as significant on the grounds that there exists no potential for adverse effect on the POTW's operation or violation of any pretreatment standard or requirement.

All significant industrial users shall obtain an industrial wastewater discharge permit and shall complete such forms as required by the public services director, pay appropriate fees, and agree to abide by the provisions of this ordinance and any specific conditions or regulation established by the public services director. All original applications shall be accompanied by a report containing the information specified in § 18-208(3). All original applications shall also include a site plan, floor plan, and mechanical and plumbing plans with sufficient detail to show all sewers and appurtenances in the user's premises by size, location, and elevation. The industrial user shall also submit revised plans to the public services director when alterations or additions to the user's premises affect said plans.

(3) **Report requirements.** The report required for all significant industrial users by § 18-208(2) or other provisions of this ordinance shall contain in units and terms appropriate for evaluation the information listed in subparagraphs (a) through (e) below. Industrial users subject to national pretreatment standards shall submit to the public services director a report which contains the information listed in subparagraphs (a) through (f) below within 180 days after the promulgation by the EPA of a national pretreatment standard under Section 307(b) or (c) of the Act. This report is called the Baseline Monitoring Report (BMR). Industrial users who are unable to achieve a discharge limit set forth in § 18-206 without improved operation and maintenance procedures or pretreatment shall submit a report which contains the information listed in subparagraphs (a) through (g) of this section.

As specified, the report shall contain the following:

(a) The name and address of the industrial user.
(b) The location of the industrial user.
(c) The nature, average rate of production, and standard industrial classification of the operation(s) carried out by the industrial user.
(d) The average and maximum flow in gallons per day of discharge from the industrial user to the POTW.
(e) The nature and concentration of pollutants in the discharge from each regulated process, the type(s) of sample(s) collected (grab and/or composite), and identification of any applicable pretreatment standards and requirements. The concentration shall be reported as a maximum or average level as provided for in the applicable pretreatment standard and as approved by standard methods approved by the public services director. If an equivalent concentration limit has been calculated in accordance with any pretreatment standard, this adjusted
A statement that has been reviewed by an authorized representative of the industrial user and certified by an environmental professional indicating if pretreatment standards are being met on a consistent basis and, if not, whether additional operation and maintenance procedures or additional pretreatment is required for the industrial user to achieve compliance.

(g) If additional pretreatment or operation and maintenance procedures will be required to meet the pretreatment standards, the report shall contain the shortest schedule by which the industrial user will provide the additional pretreatment. The completion date in the schedule shall be no later than the compliance date established for the applicable pretreatment standard.

For purposes of this paragraph when the context so indicates, the phrase "pretreatment standard" shall include either a national pretreatment standard or a pretreatment standard imposed as a result of the industrial user's discharging any incompatible pollutant regulated by § 18-206. For purposes of this paragraph, the term "pollutant" shall include any pollutant identified in a national pretreatment standard or any incompatible pollutant identified in § 18-206.

(4) Incomplete applications. The public services director will act only on applications that are accompanied by a report which lists all the information required in § 18-208(3). Industrial users who have filed incomplete applications will be notified by the public services director that the application is deficient and the nature of the deficiency and will be given 30 days to correct such. If the deficiency is not corrected within that period or with such extended time as allowed by the public services director, the public services director shall deny the application and notify the applicant in writing of such action.

(5) Evaluation of application. (a) Upon receipt of noncompleted applications, the public services director shall review and evaluate the applications and shall propose such special permit conditions as the public services director deems advisable. All wastewater discharge permits shall be expressly subject to all the provisions of this ordinance and all other applicable laws and regulations. At a minimum, all industrial user permits must contain the following requirements (40 CFR part 403.8(f)(1)(iii)(A-E)):

(i) Statement of duration (in no case more than five years);

(ii) Statement of non-transferability without, at a minimum, prior notification to the POTW and provision of a copy of the existing control mechanism to the new owner or operator;
(iii) Effluent limits based on applicable general pretreatment standards in part 403 of this chapter, categorical pretreatment standards, local limits, and state and local law;

(iv) Self-monitoring, sampling, reporting, notification and recordkeeping requirements, including an identification of the pollutants to be monitored, sampling location, sampling frequency, and sample type, based on the applicable general pretreatment standards in part 403 of this chapter, categorical pretreatment standards, local limits, and state and local law;

(v) Statement of applicable civil and criminal penalties for violation of pretreatment standards and requirements, and any applicable compliance schedule. Such schedules may not extend the compliance due date beyond applicable federal deadlines.

(b) The public services director may also propose that the wastewater discharge permit be subject to one or more special conditions in regard to any of the following:

(i) Pretreatment requirements.

(ii) The average and maximum wastewater constituents.

(iii) Limits on rate and time of discharge for flow equalization.

(iv) Requirements for installation of inspection and sampling facilities.

(v) Specifications for self-monitoring procedures.

(vi) Requirements for submission of technical and/or discharge reports.

(vii) Requirements for records maintenance.

(viii) Average and maximum mass emission rates, or other appropriate limits when toxic pollutants are proposed or present in the industrial user's wastewater discharge.

(ix) Other conditions deemed appropriate by the public services director to ensure compliance with the ordinance or other applicable law or regulation.

(x) A reasonable compliance schedule, as determined by the public services director, up to one year in duration or such earlier date as may be required by other applicable law or regulation, whichever is sooner, to ensure the industrial user's compliance with pretreatment requirements or improved methods of operation and maintenance.

(xi) Requirements for the installation of facilities to prevent and control accidental discharges or spills at the user's premises.

(xii) The unit charge or schedule of charges and fees for the wastewater to be discharged to a community sewer.
(6) Notification of proposed permit conditions. (a) Upon completion of the evaluation, the public services director shall notify the applicant of any special permit conditions proposed for inclusion in the wastewater discharge permit.

(b) The applicant shall have 45 days from and after the date of the public services director's recommendations for special permit conditions to review same and file written objections with the public services director in regard to any special permit conditions recommended. The public services director may, but is not required, to schedule a meeting with applicant's authorized representative within 15 days following receipt of the applicant's objections, to attempt to resolve disputed issues concerning special permit conditions.

(c) If applicant files no objection to special permit conditions proposed by the public services director or a subsequent agreement is reached concerning same, the public services director shall issue a wastewater discharge permit to applicant with such special conditions incorporated therein.

(7) Board to establish permit conditions. (a) In the event that the public services director cannot issue a permit pursuant to § 18-208(6) above, the public services director shall submit to the board the proposed permit conditions and the applicant's written objections at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the board or at a specifically convened meeting.

(b) The board shall schedule a hearing within 30 days following the meeting referred to above unless such time is extended for just cause shown to resolve any disputed matters relevant to such permit.

(c) The public services director shall notify the applicant of the date, time, place, and purpose of the hearing scheduled by the board. The applicant and the public services director shall have the right to participate in the hearing and present any relevant evidence to the board concerning proposed special permit conditions or other matters being considered by the board.

(d) Following the hearing or additional hearings deemed necessary and advisable by the board, the board shall establish special permit conditions deemed advisable to ensure the applicant's compliance with this ordinance or other applicable laws or regulations and direct the public services director to issue a wastewater discharge permit to the applicant accordingly.

(8) Compliance schedule and reporting requirements. The following conditions shall apply to the schedules required by § 18-208(5) of this ordinance:

(a) Schedule components. The schedule shall contain increments of progress in the form of dates for the commencement and completion of major events leading to the construction and operation of
additional pretreatment requirements for the industrial user to meet the applicable pretreatment standards.

(b) **Schedule intervals.** No such increment shall exceed 9 months.

(9) **Duration of permits.** Wastewater discharge permits shall be issued for a time period not to exceed 5 years. Permits issued to industrial users pursuant to § 18-207(7) shall be issued for a period of 1 year.

Industrial users subject to a national pretreatment standard shall apply for new permits on the effective date of such standards. The public services director shall notify in writing any industrial user whom the public services director has cause to believe is subject to a national pretreatment standard of the promulgation of such regulations, but any failure of the public services director in this regard shall not relieve the user of the duty of complying with such standards. An industrial user must apply in writing for a renewal permit within a period of time not more than 90 days and not less than 30 days prior to expiration of the current permit.

Limitations or conditions of a permit are subject to modification or change as such changes become necessary due to changes in applicable water quality standards, changes in the town's NPDES permit, changes in §§ 18-206(10) or 18-206(11), changes in other applicable law or regulation, or for other just cause. Users will be notified of any proposed changes in their permit by the public services director at least 30 days prior to the effective date of the change. Any change or new condition in the permit shall include a provision for a reasonable time schedule for compliance. The user may appeal the decision of the public services director in regard to any changed permit conditions as otherwise provided for in this ordinance.

(10) **Transfer of permit.** Wastewater discharge permits are issued to a specific industrial user for a specific operation. A wastewater discharge permit shall not be reassigned, transferred, or sold to a new owner, new user, different premises, or a new or changed operation, unless as approved by the public services director.

(11) **Revocation of a permit.** Any permit issued under the provisions of this ordinance is subject to modification, suspension, or revocation in whole or in part during its term for cause, including but not limited to, the following:

(a) Violation of any terms or conditions of the wastewater discharge permit or other applicable law or regulation.

(b) Obtaining of a permit by misrepresentation or failure to disclose fully all relevant facts.

(c) A change in any condition that requires either a temporary or permanent reduction or elimination of the permitted discharge.

(d) Refusal of reasonable access to the user's premise for the purpose of inspection and monitoring. (Ord. #00-04, July 2000)
18-209. **Inspections, monitoring, and entry.** (1) **Inspections, monitoring, and entry.** (a) When required to carry out the objective of this ordinance, including but not limited to:

(i) Developing or assisting in the development of any effluent limitation, or other limitation, prohibition, or effluent standard, pretreatment standard, standard of performance, or permit condition under this ordinance;

(ii) Determining whether any person is in violation of any such effluent limitation, or other limitation, prohibition, or effluent standard, pretreatment standard, standard of performance, or permit condition;

(iii) Any requirement established under this section.

(b) The public services director shall require any industrial user to:

(i) Establish and maintain records;

(ii) Make reports;

(iii) Install, use, and maintain monitoring equipment or methods, including biological monitoring methods when appropriate;

(iv) Sample effluent in accordance with these methods, at such locations and intervals and in such a manner as the public services director shall prescribe;

(v) Provide such other information as the public services director may reasonably require.

(c) Specific requirements under the provisions of paragraph (b) of this section shall be established by the public services director, or the board as applicable, for each industrial user, and such requirements shall be included as a condition of the industrial user's wastewater discharge permit. The nature of any requirement under this provision shall depend on the nature of the user's discharge, the impact of the discharge upon the POTW, the volume of water discharged, and the technical feasibility of an economic reasonableness of any such requirement.

(d) The public services director or his authorized representative, employees of the State of Tennessee, and employees of the environmental protection agency shall, upon presentation of credentials:

(i) Have a right of entry to, upon, or through any user's premises in which an effluent source is located or in which any records required to be maintained under this ordinance are located.

(ii) Have access at reasonable times to and copy any records, inspect any monitoring equipment or method required of the user, and sample any discharge which the owner or operator of such source is required to sample.
(e) In the event any user denies the right of entry for inspection, sampling, inspecting and copying records, or verifying that a user is not discharging industrial wastes or performing other duties as shall be imposed upon the public services director by this ordinance, the public services director shall seek a warrant or use such other legal procedures as advisable and reasonably necessary to perform the duties of this ordinance.

(f) Any user failing or refusing to perform any duty imposed upon the user under the provisions of this section, or who denies the right to enter the user's premises for purposes of inspection, sampling, inspecting and copying records, or other such duties as may be imposed upon the user by this section, shall be deemed to have violated the conditions of the wastewater discharge permit and such permit shall be subject to modification, suspension, or revocation under the procedures established in this ordinance. A user who does not have an industrial waste discharge permit and denies the right to inspect as described herein is subject to having the sewer service in question terminated.

(2) Reports. (a) Progress reports. No later than 14 days following each date in the schedule and the final date for compliance, the industrial user shall submit a progress report to the public services director, including as a minimum, whether it complied with the increment of progress to be met on such a date and, if not, the date on which it expects to comply with this increment of progress, the reason for the delay, and steps being taken by the user to return the construction to the schedule established. In no event shall more than 9 months elapse between such progress reports to the public services director.

(b) 90 day compliance report. Within 90 days following the date for final compliance with applicable pretreatment standards or, in the case of a new source, following commencement of the introduction of wastewater into the POTW, any industrial user subject to pretreatment standards and requirements shall submit to the public services director a report containing the information described in §18-208(3)(d) through (f).

(c) Self-monitoring reports. (i) All significant industrial users shall submit to the public services director during the months of June and December, unless required more frequently in the pretreatment standard or in the industrial user's permit, a report indicating the nature and concentration of pollutants in the effluent which are limited by their permit. In addition, this report shall include a record of average and maximum daily flows. At the discretion of the public services director and in consideration of such factors as local high or low flow rates, holidays, budget cycles, etc., the public services director may agree to alter the months during which the above reports are submitted.
(ii) The public services director, as applicable, may impose limitations on industrial users employing dilution to meet applicable pretreatment standards or requirements or in other cases where the imposition of mass limitations are appropriate. In such cases, the report required by paragraph (a) of this section shall indicate the mass of pollutants regulated by pretreatment standards in the effluent of the user.

(d) The reports required in this section shall contain the results of sampling and analysis of the discharge, including the flow and nature and concentration or production rates and mass limits where requested by the public services director, as applicable, of pollutants contained therein which are limited by the applicable pretreatment standards or industrial permit. For industrial users subject to equivalent mass or concentration limits established by the public services director as alternative standards, the report shall contain a reasonable measure of the user's long-term production rate. For all other industrial users subject to categorical pretreatment standards expressed only in terms of allowable pollutant discharge per unit of production (or other measured operation), the report shall include the user's actual average production rate for the reporting period. The frequency of monitoring shall be prescribed in the applicable treatment standard.

(3) Monitoring facilities. (a) All significant industrial users shall install a monitoring station of a standard design or one satisfactory to the public services director.

All users who propose to discharge or who in the judgement of the POTW could now or in the future discharge wastewater with constituents and characteristics different from that produced by a domestic premise may be required to install a monitoring facility.

(b) Installation. Required monitoring facilities shall be constructed, operated, and maintained at the user's expense. The purpose of the facility is to allow inspection, sampling, and flow measurement of wastewater. If sampling or metering equipment is also required by the POTW, it shall be provided, installed, and operated at the user's expense. The monitoring facility will normally be required to be located on the user's premises outside the building. The POTW may, however, when such a location would be impractical or cause undue hardship on the user, allow the facility to be constructed in the public street right-of-way with the approval of the public agency having jurisdiction of that right-of-way and located so that it will not be obstructed by landscaping or parked vehicles.

(c) Access. If the monitoring facility is inside the user's fence, there shall be accommodations to allow safe and immediate access for POTW, State of Tennessee, or EPA personnel. There shall be ample room in or near such a facility to allow accurate sampling and compositing of
samples for analysis. The entire facility and any sampling and measuring equipment shall be maintained at all times in a safe and proper operating condition by and at the expense of the user.

(d) The industrial user shall be required to design any necessary facility and to submit according to the permit compliance schedule an engineering report, including detailed design plans and operating procedures to the public services director for review in accordance with accepted engineering practices. The public services director shall review the plans and other documents within 30 days and shall recommend any change deemed appropriate.

(e) Upon approval of plans and other documents, the industrial user shall secure all building, electrical, plumbing, and other permits required and proceed to construct any necessary facility and establish required operating procedures within the time provided in the industrial user's wastewater discharge permit.

(4) Sampling and analysis. (a) All collected samples must be of such nature that they provide a true and accurate representation of the industry's normal workday effluent quality.

(b) Chain-of-custody procedures, sample preservation techniques, and sample holding times recommended by the EPA shall be followed in all self-monitoring activities. Grab samples must be used for pH, cyanide, phenols, oil and grease, sulfide, and volatile organics. All other samples shall be 24-hour flow proportional composite samples, unless otherwise specified.

(c) Monitoring shall be performed at the approved monitoring station on the effluent sewer. Location and design of the monitoring station shall be subject to the review and approval of the public services director. Any change in monitoring location will be subject to the approval of the public services director.

(d) All analyses shall be performed in accordance with procedures established by the EPA under the provisions of Section 304(h) of the Act and contained 40 CFR Part 136 and its amendments or with any other test procedures approved by the EPA or the public services director. Sampling shall be performed in accordance with the techniques approved by EPA or the public services director.

(5) Dangerous discharge notification. (a) Telephone notification. Any person or user causing or suffering any discharge, whether accidental or not, which presents or may present an imminent or substantial endangerment to human health and welfare or the environment, or which is likely to cause interference with the POTW, shall notify the public services director immediately by telephone. In the absence of the public services director, notification shall be given to the POTW employee then in charge of the treatment works. Such notification will not relieve the
user from any expense, loss, liability, fines, or penalty which may be incurred as a consequence of the discharge.

(b) Written report. Within 5 days following such an occurrence, the user shall provide the public services director with a detailed written report describing the cause of the dangerous discharge and measures to be taken by the user to prevent similar future occurrences. Such notification shall not relieve the user of any expense, loss, damage, or other liability which may be incurred as a result of damage to the POTW, fish kills, or any other damage to persons or property; nor shall such notification relieve the user of any fines, civil penalties, or other liability which may be imposed by this ordinance or other applicable law.

(c) Notice to employees. A notice shall be permanently posted on the user's bulletin board or other prominent place advising employees of a contact in the event of a dangerous discharge. Employers shall ensure that all employees who may cause or suffer such a dangerous discharge to occur are advised of the emergency notification procedure.

(6) Slug reporting. The industrial user shall notify the POTW immediately by telephone of any slug loading, as defined by § 18-207(5), by the industrial user.

(7) Notification of hazardous waste discharge. (a) The user shall notify the POTW, the EPA Regional Waste Management Division Director, and state hazardous waste authorities of any discharge into the POTW of a substance which is listed or characteristic waste under Section 3001 of RCRA. Such notification must include a description of any such wastes discharged, specifying the volume and concentration of such wastes and the type of discharge (continuous, batch, or other), identifying the hazardous constituents contained in the listed wastes and estimating the volume of hazardous wastes expected to be discharged during the following 12 months. The notification must take place within 180 days after the July 24, 1990 promulgation date of the Domestic Sewage Study amendments to the Pretreatment Regulations. This requirement shall not apply to pollutants already reported under the self-monitoring requirements of § 18-209(2).

(b) Dischargers are exempt from the requirements of this paragraph during a calendar month in which they generate no more than 15 kilograms of hazardous wastes, unless the wastes are acute hazardous wastes as specified in 40 CFR 261.5(2), (f), (g), and (j). Generation of more than 15 kilometers of hazardous waste do not require additional notification, except for the acute hazardous wastes specified in 40 CFR 261.5(3), (f), and (j).

(c) In the case of new regulations under Section 3001 of RCRA identifying additional characteristics of hazardous waste or listing any additional substance as a hazardous waste, the user must notify the POTW of the discharge of such substance within 90 days of the effective
date of such regulations, except for the exemption in paragraph (b) of this section.

(d) In the case of any notification made under this section, the user shall certify that it has a program in place to reduce the volume and toxicity of wastes generated to the degree it has determined to be economically practical and that it has selected the method of treatment, storage, or disposal currently available which minimizes the present and future threat to human health and the environment.

(8) Notification of changed discharge. All industrial users shall promptly notify the POTW in advance of any substantial change in the volume or character of pollutants in their discharge, including the listed or characteristic hazardous wastes, for which the user has submitted initial notification under § 18-209(7).

(9) Provisions governing fraud and false statements. The reports required to be submitted under this section shall be subject to the provisions of 18 U.S.C. 1001 relating to fraud and false statements and the provisions of Sections 309(c)(4) and (6) of the Act, as amended, governing false statements, representation, or certifications in reports required by the Act.

(10) Signatory requirements. The reports required by this section shall include a certification statement as follows:

I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.

The reports shall be signed as follows:

(a) By a responsible corporate officer if the industrial user submitting the reports required by this section is a corporation. For the purpose of this paragraph, a responsible corporate officer is

   (i) A president, secretary, treasurer, or vice-president of the corporation in charge of a principle business function, or any other person who performs similar policy or decision making functions for the corporation, or

   (ii) The manager of one or more manufacturing, production, or operation facilities employing more than 250 persons or having gross annual sales or expenditures exceeding
$25 million if authority to sign documents has been assigned or delegated to the manager in accordance with corporate procedures.

(b) By a general partner or proprietor if the industrial user submitting reports required by this section is a partnership or sole proprietorship, respectively.

(c) By a duly authorized representation of the individual designated in paragraph (a) of this section if:

(i) The authorization is made in writing by the responsible corporate officer.

(ii) The authorization specifies either an individual or a position having responsibility for the overall operation of the facility from which the industrial discharge originates, such as the position of plant manager, operator of a well, well field public services director, or a person in position of equivalent responsibility or with overall responsibility for environmental matters for the company.

(iii) The written authorization is submitted to the control authority.

(d) If an authorization under paragraph (c) of this section 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 authorization satisfying the requirements of paragraph (c) of this section must be submitted to the public services director prior to or in conjunction with any reports to be signed by an authorized representative.

(11) Reporting of violation. If sampling performed by an industrial user indicates a violation, the user shall notify the public services director within 24 hours of becoming aware of the violation. The user shall also repeat the sampling and analysis and submit the results of the repeat analysis to the public services director within 30 days after becoming aware of the violation. The industrial user is not required to resample if one of the following criteria is met:

(a) The POTW performs sampling at the industrial user at a frequency of at least once per month.

(b) The POTW performs sampling at the user between the time when the user performs initial sampling and the time when the user receives the results of this sampling.

(12) Reporting of all monitoring. If an industrial user subject to the reporting requirements in § 18-208(3) of this ordinance monitors any pollutant more frequently than required by the public services director using approved procedures prescribed in this ordinance, the results of this monitoring shall be included in the report.
(13) Notice of bypass. (a) If an industrial user knows in advance of the need for a bypass, it shall submit prior notice to the public services director.

(b) An industrial user shall submit oral notice to the public services director of an unanticipated bypass that exceeds applicable pretreatment standards within 24 hours from the time the user becomes aware of the bypass. A written submission shall also be provided within 5 days of the time the industrial user becomes aware of the bypass. The written submission shall contain a description of the bypass and its cause; the duration of the bypass, including exact dates and times; and, if the bypass has not been corrected, the anticipated time it is expected to continue; and steps taken or planned to reduce, eliminate, and prevent reoccurrence of the bypass. The public services director may waive the written report on a case-by-case basis if the oral report has been received within 24 hours.

(14) Maintenance of records. Any industrial user subject to the reporting requirements established in this section shall maintain records of all information resulting from any monitoring activities required by this section. Such records shall include for all samples:

(a) The date, exact place, method, and time of sampling and the names of the persons taking the samples.
(b) The dates analyses were performed.
(c) Who performed the analyses.
(d) The analytical techniques/methods.
(e) The results of the analyses.

(15) Retention period. Any industrial user subject to the reporting requirement established in this section shall be required to retain for a minimum of 3 years any records of monitoring activities and results (whether or not such monitoring activities are required by this section) and shall make these records available for inspection and copying by the public services director, TDEC Director of the Division of Water Pollution Control, and EPA. The retention period shall be extended during the course of any unresolved litigation regarding the user or upon request from the public services director, the director, or the EPA.

(16) Confidential information. Any records, reports, or information obtained under this section shall

(i) In the case of effluent data, be related to any applicable effluent limitations, toxic, pretreatment, or permit condition, and
(ii) Be available to the public to the extent provided by 40 CFR, part 232. If, upon showing to the public services director by any person that, if made public, records, reports, information, or particular parts (other than effluent data) to which the public services director has access under this section, would divulge
methods or processes entitled to protection as trade secrets of such person, the public services director shall consider such record, report, or information, or particular portion thereof confidential in accordance with the purposes of this article. Such record, report, or information may be disclosed to officers, employees, or authorized representatives of the United States or the State of Tennessee concerned with carrying out the provisions of the Act or when relevant in any proceeding under this article or other applicable laws. (Ord. #00-04, July 2000)

18-210. Enforcement. (1) Hearings. (a) Any hearing or re-hearing brought before the mayor and board of aldermen shall be conducted in accordance with following:
   (i) Upon receipt of a written petition from the alleged violator pursuant to this section, the public services director shall give the petitioner 10 days written notice of the time and place of the hearing.
   (ii) The hearing provided may be conducted by the mayor and board of alderman at a regular or special meeting. A quorum of the board must be present at the regular or special meeting in order to conduct the hearing.
   (iii) A verbatim record of the proceedings of the hearings shall be made and filed with the board in conjunction with the findings of fact and conclusions of law made pursuant to § 18-210(1)(a)(vi). The transcript shall be made available to the petitioner or any party to a hearing upon payment of a charge set by the public services director to cover preparation fees.
   (iv) In connection with the hearing, the chairperson of the board shall issue subpoenas in response to any reasonable request by any party to the hearing requiring the attendance and testimony of witnesses and the production of evidence relevant to any matter involved in the hearing. In the case of refusal to obey a notice of hearing or subpoena issued under this section, the chancery court of Carroll County shall have the jurisdiction upon the application of the public services director to issue an order requiring such person to appear and testify or produce evidence as the case may require. Failure to obey such an order of the court is punishable by the court as contempt.
   (v) On the basis of the evidence produced at the hearing, the board shall make findings of fact and conclusions of law and enter such decisions and orders as in its opinion will best further the purposes of the pretreatment program and shall give written notice of such decisions and orders to the alleged violator. The order issued under this subsection shall be issued no later than 30
days following the close of the hearing by the person or persons designated by the chairperson.

(vi) The decision of the board shall become final and binding on all parties unless appealed to the courts as provided in § 18-210(1)(b).

(vii) Any person to whom an emergency order is directed shall comply therewith immediately, but on petition to the board shall be afforded a hearing as soon as possible, but in no case shall such a hearing be held later than 3 days from the receipt of such a petition by the board.

(viii) Upon agreement of all parties, the testimony of any person may be taken by deposition or written interrogatories. Unless otherwise agreed, the disposition shall be taken in a manner consistent with Rules 26 through 33 of the Tennessee Rules of Civil Procedure, with the chairperson to rule on such manners as would require a ruling by the court under said rules.

(ix) The public services director shall first call witnesses, which shall be followed by witnesses called by the other party. Rebuttal witnesses shall be called in the same order. The chairperson shall rule on any evidentiary questions arising during such hearing and shall make other rulings necessary or advisable to facilitate an orderly hearing subject to approval of the board. The board, the public services director, his representative, and all parties shall have the right to examine any witness. The board shall not be bound by or limited to rules of evidence applicable to legal proceedings.

(x) Any person aggrieved by an order or determination of the public services director where an appeal is not otherwise provided by this section may appeal said order or determination to be reviewed by the board under the provisions of this section. A written notice of appeal shall be filed with the public services director, and said notice shall set forth with particularity the action or inaction of the public services director complained of and the relief being sought by the person filing said appeal. A special meeting of the board may be called by the chairperson upon the filing of such an appeal, and the board may, at member's discretion, suspend the operation of the order or determination of the public services director on which is based the appeal until such time as the board has acted upon the appeal.

(xi) The vice chairperson or the chairperson pro tem shall possess all the authority delegated to the chairperson by this section when acting in their absence or place.

(b) An appeal may be taken from any final order or other final determination of the public services director or board by any party who
is or may be adversely affected thereby to the chancery court pursuant to the common law writ of certiorari set in Tennessee Code Annotated, § 27-8-101, within 60 days from the date such order or determination is made.

(2) **Civil penalty.** (a) (i) Any person or user who does any of the following acts or omissions shall be subject to a civil penalty of up to $10,000 per day for each day during which the act or omission continues or occurs:

   (A) Violates any effluent standard or limitation imposed by a pretreatment program.
   (B) Violates the terms or conditions of a permit issued pursuant to a pretreatment program.
   (C) Fails to complete a filing requirement of a pretreatment program.
   (D) Fails to allow or perform an entry, inspection, monitoring, or reporting requirement of a pretreatment program.
   (E) Fails to pay user or cost recovery charges imposed by a pretreatment program.
   (F) Violates a final determination or order of the board.

   (ii) Any civil penalty shall be assessed in the following manner:

   (A) The public services director may issue an assessment against any person or user responsible for the violation.
   (B) Any person or user against whom an assessment has been issued may secure a review of such assessment by filing with the public services director a written petition setting forth the grounds and reasons for his objections and asking for a hearing on the matter involved before the mayor and board of aldermen. If a petition for review of the assessment is not filed within 30 days of the date the assessment is served, the violator shall be deemed to have consented to the assessment and it shall become final.
   (C) When any assessment becomes final because of a person's failure to appeal the public services director's assessment, the public services director may apply to the appropriate court for a judgement and seek execution of such judgement and the court, in such proceedings, shall treat a failure to appeal such assessment as a confession of judgement in the amount of the assessment. Civil penalties will be assessed based on the following criteria:
(1) Whether the civil penalty imposed will be a substantial economic deterrent to the illegal activity.

(2) Damages to the POTW, including compensation for the damage or destruction of the facilities of the POTW, which also includes any penalties, costs, and attorney's fees incurred by the POTW as the result of the illegal activity, as well as the expenses involved in enforcing this section and the costs involved in rectifying any damage.

(3) Cause of the discharge or violation.

(4) The severity of the discharge and its effect upon the facilities of the POTW and upon the quality and quantity of the receiving waters.

(5) Effectiveness of action taken by the violator.

(6) The technical and economic feasibility of reducing or eliminating the discharge.

(7) The economic benefit gained by the violator.

(D) The public services director may institute proceedings for assessment in the name of the Town of Bruceton in the chancery court of the county in which all or part of the violation occurred.

(iii) The mayor and board may establish by regulation a schedule of the amount of civil penalty which can be assessed by the public services director for certain specific violations or categories of violations.

(b) Any civil penalty assessed to a violator pursuant to this section may be in addition to any civil penalty assessed by the Commissioner of Environment and Conservation for violations of Tennessee Code Annotated, § 69-3-115(a)(a)(F). Provided, however, the sum of the penalties imposed by this section and by Tennessee Code Annotated, § 69-3-115(a) shall not exceed $10,000 per day for each day during which the act or omission continues to occur.

(3) Assessment of noncompliance. (a) The public services director may assess the liability of any polluter or violator for damages to the pretreatment agency resulting from any person(s) or user(s) pollution or violation, failure, or neglect in complying with any permits or orders issued pursuant to the provisions of the pretreatment program.

(b) If an appeal from such assessment is not made to the public services director by the polluter or violator within 30 days of notification of such assessment, he shall be deemed to have consented to such assessment and it shall become final.
(c) Damages may include any expenses incurred in investigating and enforcing the pretreatment program or any other sections of the ordinance, in removing, correcting, and terminating any pollution, and also compensation for actual damages caused by the violation to the POTW. The public services director shall assess the expenses and damages incurred by the POTW to clear the obstruction, repair damage to the POTW, and otherwise rectify any impairment caused by the violation.

(d) Whenever any assessment has become final because of a person’s failure to appeal within 30 days, the public services director shall bill the person responsible for the damage for reimbursement of all expenses and damages suffered by the POTW. If the person responsible refuses to pay, the public services director may apply to the appropriate court for a judgement and seek execution on such judgement. The court, in such proceedings, shall treat the failure to appeal such assessment as a confession of judgement in the amount of assessment.

(4) Judicial proceedings and relief. The public services director may initiate proceedings in the chancery court of the county in which the activities occurred against any person or user who is alleged to have violated or is about to violate the pretreatment program, its industrial user permit, any article of this ordinance, or any order of the public services director and/or board. In such action, the public services director may seek, and the court may grant, injunctive relief and any other relief available in law or equity.

(5) Administrative enforcement remedies. (a) Notification of violation. When the public services director finds that any user has violated or is violating this article, or a wastewater permit or order issued hereunder, the public services director or his agent may serve upon the user a written notice of violation (NOV). Within 10 days of receipt of the NOV, an explanation of the violation and a plan for the satisfactory correction and prevention thereof, to include specific required actions, shall be submitted to the public services director. Submission of this plan in no way relieves the user of liability for any violations occurring before or after receipt of the NOV.

(b) Consent orders. The public services director is hereby empowered to enter into consent orders, assurances of voluntary compliance, or other similar documents establishing an agreement with the user responsible for the noncompliance. Such orders will include specific action to be taken by the user to correct the noncompliance within a time frame also specified by the order. Consent orders shall have the same force and effect as administrative orders issued pursuant to paragraph (d) below.

(c) Show-cause hearing. The public services director may order any user which causes or contributes to a violation of this ordinance, its wastewater permit, or any order issued hereunder, to show cause why a
proposed enforcement action should not be taken. Notice shall be served on the user specifying the time and place for the meeting, the proposed enforcement action, the reasons for such action, and a request that the user show cause why this proposed enforcement action should not be taken. The notice of the meeting shall be served personally or by registered or certified mail (return receipt requested) at least 10 days prior to the hearing. Such notice may be served on any principle executive, general partner, or corporate officer. Whether or not a duly notified user appears as noticed, immediate enforcement action may be pursued.

(d) Compliance order. When the public services director finds that a user has violated or continues to violate this ordinance or a permit or order issued thereunder, he may issue an order to the user responsible for the discharge directing that, following a specified time period, sewer service shall be discontinued unless adequate treatment facilities, devices, or other related appurtenances have been installed and are properly operated. Orders may also contain such other requirements deemed reasonably necessary and appropriate to address the noncompliance, including the installation of pretreatment technology, additional self-monitoring, and management practices.

(e) Cease and desist orders. When the public services director finds that a user has violated or continues to violate this ordinance or any permit or order issued hereunder, the public services director may issue an order to cease and desist all such violations and direct those persons in noncompliance to do one of the following:

(i) Comply with the order.

(ii) Take the appropriate remedial or preventive action needed to properly address a continuing or threatened violation, including halting operations and terminating the discharge.

(f) Emergency termination of service. When the public services director finds that an emergency exists in which immediate action is required to protect public health, safety, or welfare, the health of animals, fish, or aquatic life, a public water supply, or the facilities of the POTW, the public services director may, without prior notice, issue an order reciting the existence of such an emergency and requiring that certain action(s) be taken as the public services director deems necessary to meet the emergency.

If the violator fails to respond or is unable to respond to the public services director’s order, the public services director may take such emergency action as deemed necessary or contract with a qualified person to carry out the emergency measures. The public services director may assess the person(s) responsible for the emergency condition for actual costs incurred by the public services director in meeting the emergency.
If the emergency action adversely affects the user, the public services director shall provide the user an opportunity for a hearing as soon as possible thereafter to consider restoration of service upon abatement of the condition or other reasonable conditions. Following the hearing, the public services director may take any such authorized action should the proof warrant such action.

(6) Disposition of damage payments and penalties. All damages and/or penalties assessed and collected under the provisions of this section shall be placed in a special fund by the town and allocated and appropriated to the sewer system for the administration of its pretreatment program.

(7) Vandalism. Any and all damages incurred by the POTW due to acts of vandalism will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. (Ord. #00-04, July 2000)

18-211. Wastewater volume determination. (1) Metered water supply. Charges and fees related to the volume of wastewater discharged to the POTW shall be based upon the user's total water consumption from all water supply sources. The total amount of water used shall be determined from public meters installed and maintained by the town and/or private meters installed and maintained at the expense of the user and approved by the town.

(2) Wastewater volume. When charges and fees based upon water usage and/or discharge and where, in the opinion of the POTW, a significant portion of the water received from any metered source does not flow into the sewer because of the principle activity of the user or removal by other means, the charges and fees will be applied only against the volume of water discharged from such premises into the sanitary sewer. Written notification and proof of the diversion of water must be provided by the user and approved by the town.

The users may install a meter of a type and at a location approved by the town to measure either the amount of sewage discharged or the amount of water diverted. Such meters shall be maintained at the expense of the user and be tested for accuracy at the expense of the user when deemed necessary by the public services director.

(3) Estimated wastewater volume. For users where, in the opinion of the town, it is unnecessary or impractical to install meters, charges and fees may be based upon an estimate of the volume to be discharged. The estimate shall be prepared by the user and approved by the public services director or his representative. The number of fixtures, seating capacity, population equivalent, annual production of goods and services, and other such factors as deemed rational by the POTW shall be used to estimate the wastewater discharge volume.

(4) Domestic flows. For the separate determination of the volumes of domestic and process flows from users for the purposes of calculating charges based on process wastewater flows alone, users shall install a meter of a type and at a location approved by the POTW. For users where, in the opinion of the
POTW, it is unnecessary or impractical to install such a meter, the volume of the domestic and process wastewater shall be based upon an estimate prepared by the user and approved by the POTW. (Ord. #00-04, July 2000)

18-212. Wastewater charges and fees. (1) Purpose of charges and fees. A schedule of charges and fees shall be adopted by the town which will enable it to comply with the revenue requirements of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendments. Charges and fees shall be determined in a manner consistent with regulations of the federal grant program in order that sufficient revenues are collected to defray the POTW’s cost of operating and maintaining adequate wastewater collection and treatment systems and to provide sufficient funds for equipment replacement, capital outlay, bond service costs, capital improvements, and depreciation.

(2) Types of charges and fees. The charges and fees established in the town's schedule of charges and fees may include, but not be limited to, the following:

(a) Sewer service line charges.
(b) Tap fees.
(c) Pretreatment program operating fees.
(d) User charges.
(e) Fees for monitoring requested by the user.
(f) Fees for permit application.
(g) Fees based on wastewater characteristics and constituents.
(h) Fees for discharge of holding tank wastes.
(i) Inspection fees.
(j) Industrial user permit fees.

(3) Determination of charges. Charges and fees shall be based upon a minimum basic charge for each premise, computed on the basis of normal wastewater from a domestic premise with the following characteristics:

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The charges and fees for all users other than the basic domestic premise shall be based upon the relative difference between the average wastewater constituents and characteristics of that user as related to those of a domestic premise.

The charges and fees established for permit users shall be based upon the measured or estimated constituents and characteristics of the wastewater discharge of that user which may include, but not be limited to, BOD, COD, suspended solids, oil and grease, and flow volume.

(4) User charges. Each user of the POTW’s sewer system will be levied a charge for payment of indebtedness of the town and for the user's
proportionate share of the operation, maintenance, and replacement costs of the sewer system. A surcharge may be levied against those users with wastewater that exceeds the strength of normal wastewater as defined in this ordinance.

The user charge will be computed from a base charge plus applicable surcharge. The base charge will be the user's proportionate share of the costs of operation, maintenance, and replacement for handling its periodic volume of normal wastewater plus the user's share of any bond amortization costs of the town.

(a) **Operation, maintenance, and replacement (OM&R) user charges.** Each user's share of OM&R costs will be computed by the following formula:

\[ C_u = (C_t/V_t) (V_u) \]

Where:
- \( C_u \) = User's charge for OM&R per unit time.
- \( C_t \) = Total OM&R costs per unit of time, less costs recovered from surcharges.
- \( V_t \) = Total volume contribution from all users per unit time.
- \( V_u \) = Volume contribution from individual user per unit time.

(b) **Bonded indebtedness charges.** Each user's share of bonded indebtedness costs will be based on a schedule which reflects the user's volumetric and/or waste strength contribution to the system.

(c) **User surcharges.** The surcharge will be the user's proportionate share of the OM&R costs for handling its periodic volume of wastewater which exceeds the strength of \( \text{BOD}_5 \), suspended solids, and/or other pollutants in normal wastewater as listed in § 18-212(3) of this ordinance. The amount of surcharge will be determined by the following formula:

\[ C_s = (B_c \times B) + (S_c \times S) + (P_c \times P) \times 8.34 \times V_u \]

Where:
- \( C_s \) = Surcharge for wastewater exceeding the strength of normal wastewater expressed in dollars per billing period.
- \( B_c \) = OM&R cost for treatment of a unit of \( \text{BOD}_5 \) expressed in dollars per pound.
- \( B \) = Concentration of \( \text{BOD}_5 \) from a user above the base level of 300 mg/l expressed in mg/l.
- \( S_c \) = OM&R costs for treatment of a unit of suspended solids expressed in dollars per pound.
S = Concentration of suspended solids from a user above the base level of 300 mg/l, expressed in mg/l.

\( P_c \) = OM&R costs for treatment of a unit of any pollutant which the POTW is committed to treat by virtue of an NPDES permit or other regulatory requirement, expressed in dollars per pound.

P = Concentration of any pollutant from a user above a base level. Base levels for pollutants subject to surcharge will be established by the public services director.

\( V_u \) = Volume contribution of a user per billing period in million gallons based on a 24 hour average for a billing period.

The values of parameters used to determine user charges may vary from time to time. Therefore, the POTW is authorized to modify any parameter or value as often as is necessary. Review of all parameters and values shall be undertaken at least annually.

(d) Pretreatment program charges. Industrial users may be required to pay a separate pretreatment program charge. This charge will be based on the user's proportional share of the costs of administering the POTW pretreatment program, which includes costs incurred by the POTW for verification monitoring, analysis, and reporting. Each user's share of the pretreatment program costs will be computed by the following formula:

\[
C_u = \left( \frac{C_t}{V_t} \right) \times V_u
\]

Where:
- \( C_u \) = User's charge for POTW pretreatment program per unit time.
- \( C_t \) = Total POTW pretreatment program costs per unit time.
- \( V_t \) = Total volume contribution of permitted industrial users per unit of time.
- \( V_u \) = Volume contribution from a permitted industrial user per unit of time.

(5) Review of OM&R charges. The POTW shall review at least annually the wastewater contribution by users, the total costs of OM&R of the treatment works, and its approved user charge system. The POTW shall revise the user charges to accomplish the following:
(a) Maintain the proportionate distribution of OM&R costs among users or classes of users.

(b) Generate sufficient revenue to pay the total OM&R costs of the treatment works.

(c) Apply any excess revenues collected to the costs of OM&R for the next year and adjust rates accordingly.

(6) **Charges for extraneous flows.** The costs of operation and maintenance for all flow not directly attributable to users, e.g., infiltration/inflow, will be distributed proportionally among all users of the treatment works.

(7) **Notification.** Each user will be notified, at least annually, in conjunction with a regular bill of the rate and that portion of the user charges which are attributable to OM&R charges.

(8) **Billing.** Wastewater charges imposed by this ordinance shall be added to, included in, and collected with the monthly water service bills, and shall be due and payable monthly. This shall not affect the right of the POTW to collect wastewater charges from customers who utilize private or public water supplies from other utilities and who discharge wastewater to the POTW.

(9) **Collection.** Wastewater charges and fees imposed by this ordinance shall be collected by the town in a manner established by the public services director.

(10) **Delinquent accounts.** The town may discontinue water service to any customer who has a delinquent wastewater charge until such wastewater charge has been paid, except as provided by state or local law.

(11) **Adjustments.** The town shall make appropriate adjustments in the wastewater charge of sewer customers for over or under registration of utility meters, leaks, or other recognized adjustments. (Ord. #00-04, July 2000)

**18-213. Administration.** (1) **Board of aldermen and mayor.** In addition to any other duty or responsibility otherwise conferred upon the board by this ordinance, the mayor and board of aldermen shall have the duty and power as follows:

(a) To recommend amendments or modifications to the provisions of this ordinance.

(b) To grant exceptions pursuant to the provisions of §§ 18-207 and 18-208, and to determine such issues of law and fact as are necessary to perform this duty.

(c) To hold hearings upon appeals from orders of actions of the public services director as may be provided under the provisions of this ordinance.

(d) To hold hearings related to the suspension, revocation, or modification of a wastewater discharge permit and issue appropriate orders relating hereto.
(e) To hold other hearings that may be required in the administration of this ordinance and to make determinations and issue orders necessary to effectuate the purposes of this ordinance.

(f) To request assistance from any officer, agent, or employee of the town and to obtain any necessary information or other assistance.

(g) The board, acting through its chairperson, shall have the power to issue subpoenas requiring attendance, the testimony of witnesses, and the production of documentary evidence relevant to any matter properly heard by the board.

(h) The chairperson shall be authorized to administer oaths to people giving testimony.

(2) Public services director. (a) Public services director and staff. The public services director and his/her staff shall be responsible for the administration of all parts of this section.

(b) Authority of public services director. The public services director shall have the authority to enforce all sections of this ordinance. He/she shall be responsible and have the authority to maintain and operate the various treatment works, sewer lines, pump stations, and other appurtenances of the POTW. The public services director shall be responsible for preparation of operating budgets subject to the normal budgetary processes of the town.

(c) Records. The public services director shall keep in his office or at an appropriate storage facility all applications required under this chapter a complete record thereof, including a record of all wastewater discharge permits.

(d) Notice of national pretreatment standard. The public services director shall notify users identified in 40 CFR, Part 403.8(f)(2) of any applicable pretreatment standards or other applicable requirements promulgated by the EPA under the provisions of Section 204(b) of the Act (33 U.S.C. 1284), Section 405 of the Act (33 U.S.C. 1345), or under the provisions of Sections 3001, 3304, or 4004 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act. Failure of the public services director to notify users shall not relieve the users from the responsibility of complying with these regulations.

(e) Public participation notice. The public services director shall comply with the public participation requirements of 40 CFR, Part 425 in the enforcement of national pretreatment standards. The public services director shall at least annually provide public notification in the largest local newspaper of all significant industrial users which, during the previous 12 months, significantly violated applicable pretreatment standards or other pretreatment requirements. For the purposes of this provision, a significant industrial user is in significant violation if its violations meet one or more of the following criteria:
(i) Chronic violations of wastewater discharge limits, defined as those in which 66 percent or more of all of the measurements taken during a 6-month period exceed (by any magnitude) the daily maximum limit or the average limit for the same pollutant parameter.

(ii) Technical review criteria (TRC) violations, defined as those in which 33 percent or more of all of the measurements taken during a 6-month period equal or exceed the product of the daily average maximum limit or average limit times the applicable TRC (TRC=1.4 for BOD, TSS, and oil and grease; and 1.2 for all other pollutants except pH).

(iii) Any other violation of a pretreatment effluent limit (daily maximum or longer term average) that the public services director believes has caused, alone or in combination with other discharges, interference, or pass-through, including endangering the health of the POTW personnel and the general public.

(iv) Any discharge of a pollutant that has caused imminent endangerment to human health and welfare or to the environment and has resulted in the POTW's exercise of its emergency authority to halt or prevent such a discharge.

(v) Violation by 90 days or more after the schedule date of a compliance schedule milestone contained in a permit or enforcement order for starting construction, completing construction, or attaining final compliance.

(vi) Failure to provide required reports, such as baseline monitoring reports, 90-day compliance reports, periodic self-monitoring reports, and reports on compliance with compliance schedules within 30 days of the due date.

(vii) Failure to accurately report noncompliance.

(viii) Any other violation or group of violations which the public services director considers to be significant.

(f) Regulations and standards. The public services director may promulgate rules, regulations, and design criteria not inconsistent with this ordinance and have them printed for distribution. These rules may include requirements for performing wastewater characterizations, analysis, and other measurements by standard methods approved by the public services director.

(g) Sewer credits. The public services director shall approve secondary meters and determine other kinds of sewer use charge credits.

(h) Approves new construction. The public services director shall give approval in acceptance of newly constructed sanitary sewer lines, pump stations, and other appurtenances. (Ord. #00-04, July 2000)
CHAPTER 3

CROSS CONNECTIONS, AUXILIARY INTAKES, ETC.

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18-301. Purpose and policy. This chapter sets forth uniform requirements for the protection of the public water system for the Town of Bruceton, Tennessee from possible contamination, and enable the town to comply with all applicable local, state and federal laws, regulations, standards or requirements, including the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974 (42 United States Code 300f et seq. Public Law 93-523) and the Rules and Regulations for Public Water Systems and Drinking Water Quality issued by the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, Division of Water Supply.

18-302. Objectives. The objectives of this chapter are to:

(1) To protect the public potable water system of Bruceton, Tennessee from the possibility of contamination or pollution by isolating within the customer's internal distribution system, such contaminants or pollutants that could backflow or backsiphon into the public water system;

(2) To promote the elimination or control of existing cross connections, actual or potential, between the customer's in-house potable water system and nonpotable water systems, plumbing fixtures, and industrial piping systems;

(3) To provide for the maintenance of a continuing program of cross connection control that will systematically and effectively prevent the contamination or pollution of all potable water systems.

18-303. Definitions. The following words, terms and phrases shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, when used in the interpretation and enforcement of this chapter:
(1) "Air-gap" shall mean a vertical, physical separation between a water supply and the overflow rim of a non-pressurized receiving vessel. An approved air-gap separation shall be at least twice the inside diameter of the water supply line, but in no case less than two (2") inches. Where a discharge line serves as receiver, the air-gap shall be at least twice the diameter of the discharge line, but not less than two (2") inches.

(2) "Atmospheric vacuum breaker" shall mean a device which prevents backsiphonage by creating an atmospheric vent when there is either a negative pressure or subatmospheric pressure in the water system.

(3) "Auxiliary intake" shall mean any water supply, on or available to a premises, other than that directly supplied by the public water system. These auxiliary waters may include water from another purveyor's public water system; any natural source, such as a well, spring, river, stream, and so forth; used, reclaimed or recycled waters; or industrial fluids.

(4) "Backflow" shall mean the undesirable reversal of the intended direction of flow in a potable water distribution system as a result of a cross connection.

(5) "Backpressure" shall mean any elevation of pressure in the downstream piping system (caused by pump, elevated tank or piping, steam and/or air pressure) above the water supply pressure at the point which would cause, or tend to cause, a reversal of the normal direction of flow.

(6) "Backsiphonage" shall mean the flow of water or other liquids, mixtures or substances into the potable water system from any source other than its intended source, caused by the reduction of pressure in the potable water system.

(7) "Bypass" shall mean any system of piping or other arrangement whereby water from the public water system can be diverted around a backflow prevention device.

(8) "Cross-connection" shall mean any physical connection or potential connection whereby the public water system is connected, directly or indirectly, with any other water supply system, sewer, drain, conduit, pool, storage reservoir, plumbing fixture or other waste or liquid of unknown or unsafe quality, which may be capable of imparting contamination to the public water system as a result of backflow or backsiphonage. Bypass arrangements, jumper connections, removable sections, swivel or changeover devices, through which or because of which backflow could occur, are considered to be cross connections.

(9) "Double check valve assembly" shall mean an assembly of two (2) independently operating, approved check valves with tightly closing resilient seated shut-off valves on each side of the check valves, fitted with properly located resilient seated test cocks for testing each check valve.

(10) "Double check detector assembly" shall mean an assembly of two (2) independently operating, approved check valves with an approved water meter (protected by another double check valve assembly) connected across the check valves, with tightly closing resilient seated shut-off valves on each side
of the check valves, fitted with properly located resilient seated test cocks for testing each part of the assembly.

(11) "Fire protection systems' shall be classified in six different classes in accordance with AWWA Manual M14 - Second Edition 1990. The six classes are as follows:

Class 1 shall be those with direct connections from public water mains only; no pumps, tanks or reservoirs; no physical connection from other water supplies; no antifreeze or other additives of any kind; all sprinkler drains discharging to the atmosphere, dry wells or other safe outlets.

Class 2 shall be the same as Class 1, except that booster pumps may be installed in the connections from the street mains.

Class 3 shall be those with direct connection from public water supply mains, plus one or more of the following: elevated storage tanks, fire pumps taking suction from above ground covered reservoirs or tanks, and/or pressure tanks (all storage facilities are filled from or connected to public water only, and the water in the tanks is to be maintained in a potable condition).

Class 4 shall be those with direct connection from the public water supply mains, similar to Class 1 and Class 2, with an auxiliary water supply dedicated to fire department use and available to the premises, such as an auxiliary supply located within 1700 ft. of the pumper connection.

Class 5 shall be those directly supplied from public water mains and interconnected with auxiliary supplies, such as pumps taking suction from reservoirs exposed to contamination, or rivers and ponds; driven wells; mills or other industrial water system; or where antifreeze or other additives are used.

Class 6 shall be those with combined industrial and fire protection systems supplied from the public water mains only, with or without gravity storage or pump suction tanks.

(12) "Interconnection" shall mean any system of piping or other arrangements whereby the public water supply is connected directly with a sewer, drain, conduit, pool, storage reservoir, or other device which does or may contain sewage or other waste or liquid which would be capable of imparting contamination to the public water system.

(13) "Person" shall mean any and all persons, natural or artificial, including any individual, firm or association, and any municipal or private
corporation organized or existing under the laws of this or any other state or country.

(14) "Potable water" shall mean water which meets the criteria of the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation and the United States Environmental Protection Agency for human consumption.

(15) "Pressure vacuum breaker" shall mean an assembly consisting of a device containing one (1) or two (2) independently operating spring loaded check valves and an independently operating spring loaded air inlet valve located on the discharge side of the check valve(s), with tightly closing shut-off valves on each side of the check valves and properly located test cocks for the testing of the check valves and relief valve.

(16) "Public water supply" shall mean the Bruceton waterworks system, which furnishes potable water to the town for general use and which is recognized as the public water supply by the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation.

(17) "Reduced pressure principle backflow prevention device" shall mean an assembly consisting of two (2) independently operating approved check valves with an automatically operating differential relief valve located between the two check valves, tightly closing resilient seated shut-off valves, plus properly located resilient seated test cocks for the testing of the check valves and the relief valve.

(18) "Superintendent" shall mean the Superintendent of Public Utilities for the Town of Bruceton or his duly authorized deputy, agent or representative.

(19) "Water system" shall be considered as made up of two (2) parts, the utility system and the customer system.

(a) The utility system shall consist of the facilities for the production, treatment, storage and distribution of water; and shall include all those facilities of the water system under the complete control of the water department, up to the point where the customer's system begins (i.e. the water meter);

(b) The customer system shall include those parts of the facilities beyond the termination of the water department distribution system that are utilized in conveying domestic water to points of use.

18-304. Compliance with state law. The superintendent shall be responsible for the protection of the public water system from contamination or pollution due to the backflow of contaminants through the water service connection. The Town of Bruceton shall comply with Tennessee Code Annotated, §§ 68-221-701 through 68-221-720, as well as the Rules and Regulations for Public Water System and Drinking Water Quality, legally adopted in accordance with this code, which pertain to cross connections, auxiliary intakes, bypasses and interconnections; and shall establish an effective, ongoing program to control these undesirable water uses.
18-305. **Regulated.** (1) No water service connection to any premises shall be installed or maintained by the Bruceton Water Department unless the water supply system is protected as required by state laws and this chapter. Service of water to any premises shall be discontinued by the water department if a backflow prevention device required by this chapter is not installed, tested, and/or maintained; or if it is found that a backflow prevention device has been removed, bypassed, or if an unprotected cross connection exists on the premises. Service shall not be restored until such conditions or defects are corrected.

(2) It shall be unlawful for any person to cause a cross connection to be made; or allow one to exist for any purpose whatsoever unless the construction and operation of same have been approved by the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, and the operation of such cross connection is at all times under the direction of the superintendent of public utilities.

(3) If, in the judgment of the superintendent or his designated agent, an approved backflow prevention device is required at the town's water service connection to a customer's premises, or at any point(s) within the premises, to protect the potable water supply, the superintendent shall compel the installation, testing and maintenance of the required backflow prevention device(s) at the customer's expense.

(4) An approved backflow prevention device shall be installed on each water service line to a customer's premises at or near the property line or immediately inside the building being served; but in all cases, before the first branch line leading off the service line.

(5) For new installations, the superintendent or his designated agent shall inspect the site and/or review plans in order to assess the degree of hazard and to determine the type of backflow prevention device, if any, that will be required, and to notify the owners in writing of the required device and installation criteria. All required devices shall be installed and operational prior to the initiation of water service.

(6) For existing premises, personnel from the Bruceton Water Department shall conduct inspections and evaluations, and shall require correction of violations in accordance with the provisions of this chapter.

18-306. **Permit required.** (1) **New installations.** No installation, alteration, testing or change shall be made of any backflow prevention device connected to the public water supply for water service, fire protection or any other purpose without first securing a Cross Connection Control Devices Test Report with an installation/maintenance tag from the Bruceton Water Department. The installation/maintenance tag shall be installed on the device following installation and testing, and shall be removed only by personnel from the Bruceton Water Department at the time of inspection. One copy of the Cross Connection Control Devices Test Report shall be submitted to the Bruceton Water Department upon completion of the installation and testing.
(2) **Existing installations.** No alteration, repair, testing or change shall be made of any existing backflow prevention device connected to the public water supply for water service, fire protection or any other purpose without first securing the appropriate approvals and a Cross Connection Control Devices Test Report and an installation/maintenance tag from the Bruceton Water Department. The installation/maintenance tag shall be installed on the device following alteration, repair and/or testing, and shall only be removed by personnel from the Bruceton Water Department.

18-307. **Inspections.** (1) The superintendent or his designated agent shall inspect all properties served by the public water supply where cross connections with the public water supply are deemed possible. The frequency of inspections and reinspections shall be based on potential health hazards involved, and shall be established by the superintendent in accordance with guidelines acceptable to the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation.

(2) **Right of entry for inspection.** The superintendent or his authorized representative shall have the right to enter, at any reasonable time, any property served by a connection to the Bruceton public water system for the purpose of inspecting the piping system therein for cross connection, auxiliary intakes, bypasses or interconnections, or for the testing of backflow prevention devices. Upon request, the owner, lessee, or occupant of any property so served shall furnish any pertinent information regarding the piping system(s) on such property. The refusal of such information or refusal of access, when requested, shall be deemed evidence of the presence of cross connections, and shall be grounds for disconnection of water service.

18-308. **Correction of violations.** (1) Any person found to have cross connections, auxiliary intakes, bypasses or interconnections in violation of the provisions of the ordinance shall be allowed a reasonable time within which to comply with the provisions of this ordinance. After a thorough investigation of the existing conditions and an appraisal of the time required to complete the work, an appropriate amount of time shall be assigned by the superintendent or his representative, but in no case shall the time for corrective measures exceed ninety (90) days.

(2) Where cross connections, auxiliary intakes, bypasses or interconnections are found that constitute an extreme hazard, with the immediate possibility of contaminating the public water system, the superintendent shall require that immediate corrective action be taken to eliminate the threat to the public water system. Expeditious steps shall be taken to disconnect the public water system from the on site piping system unless the imminent hazard is immediately corrected, subject to the right to a due process hearing upon timely request. The time allowed for preparation for a due process hearing shall be relative to the risk of hazard to the public health;
and may follow disconnection when the risk to the public health and safety, in the opinion of the superintendent, warrants disconnection prior to a due process hearing.

(3) The failure to correct conditions threatening the safety of the public water system as prohibited by this ordinance and Tennessee Code Annotated, § 68-13-711, within the time limits established by the superintendent or his representative, shall be grounds for denial of water service. If proper protection has not been provided after a reasonable time, the superintendent shall give the customer legal notification that water service is to be discontinued, and shall physically separate the public water system from the customer's on site piping in such a manner that the two systems cannot again be connected by an unauthorized person, subject to the right of a due process hearing upon timely request. The due process hearing may follow disconnection when the risk to the public health and safety, in the opinion of the superintendent, warrants disconnection prior to a due process hearing.

18-309. Required devices. (1) Where the nature of the use of water supplied to a premises by the Bruceton water system is such that it is deemed:
   (a) Impractical to provide an effective air-gap separation;
   (b) The owner/occupant of the premises cannot or is not willing to demonstrate to the superintendent that the water use and protective features of the plumbing are such as to pose no threat to the safety or potability of the water;
   (c) The nature and mode of operation within a premises are such that frequent alterations are made to the plumbing;
   (d) There is likelihood that protective measures may be subverted, altered or disconnected;
   (e) The nature of the premises is such that the use of the structure may change to a use wherein backflow prevention is required;
   (f) The plumbing from a private well enters the premises served by the public water system, then the superintendent shall require the use of an approved protective device on the water service line serving the premises to assure that any contamination that may originate in the customer's premises is contained therein.

(2) The protective devices shall be of the type approved by the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation and the superintendent, as to manufacture, model, size and application. The method of installation of backflow prevention devices shall be approved by the superintendent prior to installation and shall comply with the criteria set forth in this chapter. The installation and maintenance of backflow prevention devices shall be at the expense of the owner or occupant of the premises.

(3) Applications requiring backflow prevention devices shall include, but shall not be limited to, domestic water service and/or fire flow connections for all commercial and educational buildings, construction sites, all industrial,
institutional and medical facilities, all fountains, lawn irrigation systems, wells, water softeners and other treatment systems, swimming pools and on all fire hydrant connections other than those by the fire department in combating fires.

(a) Class 1, Class 2 and Class 3 fire protection systems shall generally require a double check valve assembly; except
   (i) A double check detector assembly shall be required where a hydrant or other point of use exists on the system; or
   (ii) A reduced pressure backflow prevention device shall be required where:
       (A) Underground fire sprinkler lines are parallel to and within ten (10) feet horizontally of pipes carrying sewage or significantly toxic materials;
       (B) Premises have unusually complex piping systems;
       (C) Pumpers connecting to the system have corrosion inhibitors or other chemicals added to the tanks of the fire trucks.

(b) Class 4, Class 5 and Class 6 fire protection systems shall require reduced pressure backflow prevention devices.

(c) Wherever the fire protection system piping is not an acceptable potable water system material, or chemicals such as foam concentrates or antifreeze additives are used, a reduced pressure backflow prevention shall be required.

(4) The superintendent or his representative may require additional and/or internal backflow prevention devices wherein it is deemed necessary to protect potable water supplies within the premises.

(5) Installation criteria. The minimum acceptable criteria for the installation of reduced pressure backflow prevention devices, double check valve assemblies or other backflow prevention devices requiring regular inspection or testing shall include the following:

(a) All required devices shall be installed in accordance with the provisions of this chapter, by a person certified by the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, Division of Drinking Water Supply, or its successor. Certification shall be for completion of special training and demonstration of competency in the installation, maintenance and testing of backflow prevention devices. Evidence of current certification shall be required at the time of permit application and installation. Only licensed sprinkler contractors may install, repair or test backflow prevention devices on fire protection systems.

(b) All devices shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, and shall possess appropriate test cocks, fittings and caps required for the testing of the device. All fittings shall be of brass construction, unless otherwise approved by the
superintendent, and shall permit direct connection to department test equipment.

(c) The entire device, including valves and test cocks, shall be easily accessible for testing and repair.

(d) All devices shall be placed in the upright position in a horizontal run of pipe.

(e) Device shall be protected from freezing, vandalism, mechanical abuse and from any corrosive, sticky, greasy, abrasive or other damaging environment.

(f) Reduced pressure backflow prevention devices shall be located a minimum of twelve (12") inches plus the nominal diameter of the device above either:
   (i) The floor,
   (ii) The top of opening(s) in the enclosure or
   (iii) Maximum flood level, whichever is higher. Maximum height above the floor surface shall not exceed sixty (60") inches.

(g) Clearance from wall surfaces or other obstructions shall be at least six (6") inches. Devices located in nonremovable enclosures shall have at least twenty-four (24") inches of clearance on each side of the device for testing and repairs.

(h) Devices shall be positioned where a discharge from the relief port will not create undesirable conditions. The relief port must never be plugged, restricted or solidly piped to a drain.

(i) An approved air-gap shall separate the relief port from any drainage system. An approved air-gap shall be at least twice the inside diameter of the supply line, but never less than one (1") inch.

(j) An approved strainer shall be installed immediately upstream of the backflow prevention device, except in the case of a fire protection system.

(k) Devices shall be located in an area free from submergence or flood potential, therefore never in a below grade pit or vault.

(l) All devices shall be adequately supported to prevent sagging.

(m) Adequate drainage shall be provided for all devices. Reduced pressure backflow prevention devices shall be drained to the outside whenever possible.

(n) Fire hydrant drains shall not be connected to the sewer, nor shall fire hydrants be installed such that backflow/backsiphonage through the drain may occur.

(o) Enclosures for outside installations shall meet the following criteria:
   (i) All enclosures for backflow prevention devices shall be as manufactured by Hydrocowl or a Bruceton Water Department approved equal.
(ii) For backflow prevention devices up to and including two (2”) inches, the enclosure shall be constructed of 5052-H32 aluminum, or an approved equal material, with a minimum of 1.5” factory manufactured polyisocyanurate insulation in the walls and roof. For backflow prevention devices 2-½” and larger, the enclosure shall be constructed of 5052-H32 aluminum, or an approved equal material, with a minimum of 1.5” factory manufactured polyisocyanurate insulation in the walls and 3” factory manufactured polyisocyanurate insulation in the roof. The complete assembly, including valve stems and hand wheels, shall be protected by being inside the enclosure.

(iii) To provide access for backflow prevention devices up to and including two (2”) inches, the enclosure shall be completely removable. Access for backflow prevention devices 2-½” and larger shall be provided through a minimum of two access panels. The access panels shall be of the same height as the enclosure and shall be completely removable. All access panels shall be provided with built-in locks.

(iv) The enclosure shall be mounted to a concrete pad as specified by the manufacturer, but in no case less than four (4”) inches thick. The enclosure shall be constructed, assembled and/or mounted in such a manner that it will remain locked and secured to the pad even if any outside fasteners are removed. All hardware and fasteners shall be constructed of 300 series stainless steel.

(v) Heating equipment, if required, shall be designed and furnished by the manufacturer of the enclosure to maintain an interior temperature of +40° F with an outside temperature of -30° F and a wind velocity of 15 miles per hour.

(p) Where the use of water is critical to the continuance of normal operations or the protection of life, property or equipment, duplicate backflow prevention devices shall be provided to avoid the necessity of discontinuing water service to test or repair the protective device. Where it is found that only one device has been installed and the continuance of service is critical, the superintendent shall notify, in writing, the occupant of the premises of plans to interrupt water services and arrange for a mutually acceptable time to test the device. In such cases the superintendent may require the installation of a duplicate device.

(q) The superintendent shall require the occupant of the premises to keep any backflow prevention devices working properly, and to make all indicated repairs promptly. Repairs shall be made by qualified personnel, possessing valid certification from the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, Division of Water supply,
acceptable to the superintendent. Expense of such repairs shall be borne by the owner or occupant of the premises. The failure to maintain a backflow prevention device in proper working condition shall be grounds for discontinuance of water service to a premises. Likewise the removal, bypassing or alteration of a backflow prevention device or the installation thereof, so as to render a device ineffective shall constitute a violation of this chapter and shall be grounds for discontinuance of water service. Water service to such premises shall not be restored until the customer has corrected or eliminated such conditions or defects to the satisfaction of the superintendent.

(6) **Testing of devices.** Devices shall be tested at least annually by a qualified person possessing valid certification from the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, Division of Water Supply for the testing of such devices. A copy of this certification shall be on file with the superintendent for any person installing, repairing or testing backflow prevention devices. Any person installing, repairing or testing backflow prevention devices shall also maintain on file with the superintendent a current copy of a valid certificate of liability insurance in an amount of not less than $100,000.00. Records of all installations, repairs and testing shall be submitted to the cross connection program administrator upon completion. Personnel of the Bruceton Water Department shall have the right to inspect and/or test a device whenever deemed necessary by the superintendent. Water service shall not be disrupted to test a device without the knowledge of the occupant of the premises. All testing and inspection services are to be at the expense of the owner or occupant of the premises.

18-310. **Nonpotable supplies.** Any person whose premises are supplied with water from the public water system, and who also has on the same premises a well or other separate source of water supply, or who stores water in an uncovered or unsanitary storage reservoir from which the water is circulated through a piping system, shall not be interconnected by any means with the public water system.

18-311. **Fees.** A fee shall be assessed for all backflow prevention devices requiring inspection or testing. The amount of this fee shall be set and adjusted by the city council based on the recommendations of the superintendent to reflect the cost of providing an effective cross connection control program. The fee shall be assessed each time a device is installed, tested or inspected. Where repeated inspections are required to correct violations or deficiencies, the fee shall be assessed each time the inspection is repeated. The fees assessed shall be as follows:

1. Installation/inspection fee $5.00
2. Repair/maintenance/testing permit $5.00
18-312. **Penalty; discontinuance of water supply.** (1) Any person who neglects or refuses to comply with any of the provisions of this chapter shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and subject to a fine of up to $500.00 on the first offense and $1,000.00 for each offense thereafter within a five year period. Each day of continued violation after conviction shall constitute a separate offense.

(2) Independent of and in addition to any fines or penalties imposed, the superintendent may discontinue the public water supply service to any premises upon which there is found to be a cross connection, auxiliary intake, bypass or interconnection; and service shall not be restored until such cross connection, auxiliary intake, bypass or interconnection has been eliminated.

18-313. **Provision applicable.** The requirements contained in this chapter shall apply to all premises served by the Bruceton public water system whether located inside or outside the corporate limits and are hereby made part of the conditions required to be met for the Bruceton Water Department to provide water services to any premises. The provisions of this chapter shall be rigidly enforced since it is essential for the protection of the public water distribution system against the entrance of contamination. Any person aggrieved by the action of the superintendent is entitled to a due process hearing upon timely request.