



Con Edison Pier 98 SPDES Permit Renewal Fact Sheet

- **Project:** Con Edison Pier 98 State Pollution Discharge Elimination System (SPDES) permit renewal
- **Applicant:** Con Edison
- **Facility:** Pier 98
- **NYSDEC Application Number:** 2-6202-00032/00004
- **A Public Participation Plan (PPP) has been developed in accordance with NYSDEC Commissioner Policy 29, Environmental Justice and Permitting (CP-29)**

What is the Proposed Project?

The Proposed Project will allow Con Edison to continue providing safe and reliable steam and electric service to customers. To implement the proposed project, Con Edison has submitted an application to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) to renew and modify its State Pollution Discharge Elimination System (“SPDES”) permit, which covers the discharge of wastewater and non-contact cooling water to the Hudson River. The purpose of this fact sheet is to inform the public about Con Edison’s proposed project and to involve the community during the NYSDEC permit application review process.

Why does Con Edison need to renew the permit?

Con Edison currently has a SPDES permit that covers discharges from the Company’s 59th Street Steam Station and its cooling apparatus serving its 49th Street Substation. The production of steam has a byproduct of wastewater that Con Edison discharges to the Hudson River pursuant to its SPDES permit, which has limits for pH and total suspended solids. Additionally, Con Edison uses river water as part of a cooling system for cables at its 49th Street Substation. After the cables are cooled, this water is returned to the river also under the SPDES permit, which has a temperature limit for the return water. NYSDEC is performing a full technical review of the SPDES permit as part of the renewal process.

How might the project affect the surrounding community?

No new construction is needed and no changes in current activities are expected. This renewal allows Con Edison to continue safe and reliable operations at this site as a utility in Manhattan.

How can I participate in the permit review process?

- Attend the upcoming virtual public meeting scheduled for February 2, 2023, at 6:30 PM to learn about the project, ask questions and/or express concerns about the project.

- Ask questions, express concerns, provide input or submit by comments in writing, by phone or email to the project contact person identified below.

Where can I get more information about the proposed project?

- Visit the online document repository at: www.coned.com/en/community-affairs/wastewater-elimination-permit to obtain application materials, ~~and~~ documents, and information about the project.
- For information on the project, instructions on how to attend the upcoming virtual public meeting, or to find out about the status of the permit application and public comment period, contact Alina Suriel of Con Edison's Manhattan Regional and Community Affairs team at:
 - - 4 Irving Place New York, NY 10003
 - 212-460-6427
 - Suriela@coned.com

Who is responsible for reviewing the Permit Application?

- NYSDEC is responsible for reviewing and issuing the required permits.
- Region 2 Headquarters
- 47-40 21st St., Long Island City, NY 11101
- (718) 482-4997
- deppermitting@dec.ny.gov

