

## Department of Environmental Conservation

**DIVISION OF WATER** 

Wastewater Discharge Authorization Program

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April 8, 2022

Sarah Ferguson-Brown NCL (Bahamas) Ltd. 7665 Corporate Center Drive

Re: Authorization to Discharge 2013DB0004-0019: Seven Seas Mariner

#### Dear Ms. Ferguson-Brown:

The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) has completed its review and acknowledges that you have submitted a complete Notice of Intent (NOI) form for the 2013DB0004 Large Commercial Passenger Vessel Wastewater Discharge General Permit (Permit).

The Seven Seas Mariner is hereby authorized to discharge treated wastewater into Alaska marine waters and is issued wastewater discharge authorization number <u>2013DB0004-0019</u>. Discharge from this vessel is authorized in accordance with the terms and conditions of the general permit and any vessel-specific conditions included in this document.

An electronic copy of the Permit and this authorization is available at the Department website <a href="http://dec.alaska.gov/water/cruise-ships/cruise-general-permit/">http://dec.alaska.gov/water/cruise-ships/cruise-general-permit/</a>.

### The following are vessel specific conditions that apply to this authorization:

- 1) Treated wastewater discharge is authorized when the vessel is operating at speeds of 6 knots or greater.
  - a. Mixing Zone: Mixing zone size for the permittee is authorized for discharges at speeds of 6 knots or greater and is limited to 63 meters in length, 5 meters in width, and a depth from the water surface to the depth the discharge port is below the water surface plus one meter. The shape of the mixing zone is an elongated rectangle that extends from the discharge port towards the stern of the ship. See Permit Section <u>5.2.3</u>.
- 2) Treated wastewater discharge is authorized when the vessel is operating at speeds of less than 6 knots.
  - a. Mixing Zone: Mixing zone size for permittees authorized for discharges at speeds under 6 knots, excepted as specified in Section 5.2.5, is limited to a radius of 83 meters and a depth from the water surface to the depth the discharge port is below the water surface plus one meter. The mixing zone will extend away from the hull of the vessel in a semicircle centered on the discharge port. See Permit Section 5.2.4.
- 3) Treated wastewater discharge is authorized when the vessel is docked in Skagway at either the Broadway Dock, or the Ore Dock.
  - a. Mixing Zone: Mixing zone size for permittees authorized for discharge when docked in Skagway at Broadway Dock or Ore Dock when cruise ships are present at both docks is limited to a radius of 15 meters and a depth from the water surface to the depth the discharge port is below the water surface plus one meter. The mixing zone will extend away from the hull of the vessel in a semicircle centered on the discharge port. See Permit Section 5.2.5.

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4) In-port discharge is only authorized from a single port that is located on the outboard side of the vessel from the dock.

- 5) Effluent Limits and sampling requirements are identified in Tables  $\underline{3}$ ,  $\underline{4}$ ,  $\underline{5}$  and  $\underline{6}$  of the Permit.
- 6) Receiving Water Monitoring is required twice per year in accordance with Permit Section <u>6.9.3</u>.
- 7) Discharge from multiple ports simultaneously is prohibited.

The permittee is reminded of the following permit requirements, and is responsible for all submissions and activities in the Permit even if they are not summarized below:

- All Commercial Passenger Vessels must register annually see Permit Part <u>2.1.3</u>. <a href="http://dec.alaska.gov/water/cruise-ships/cruise-registration/">http://dec.alaska.gov/water/cruise-ships/cruise-registration/</a>.
- As per Permit Part <u>4.2.3</u>, the permittee shall notify the Department, in writing, of wastewater treatment system modifications that change information provided to the Department in the approved NOI form at least 48 hours prior to the discharge of any treated wastewater into marine waters of the state. The NOI Application form can be accessed at the Departments website <a href="http://dec.alaska.gov/water/cruise-ships/cruise-general-permit/">http://dec.alaska.gov/water/cruise-ships/cruise-general-permit/</a>.
- Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) see Permit Part 6.1: The owner/operator of a vessel that
  intends to discharge wastewater into Alaskan waters must submit a wastewater sampling QAPP to
  ADEC for approval.
- Vessels Specific Sampling Plan (VSSP) see Permit Part <u>6.2</u>: All vessels are required to have an approved Vessel Specific Sampling Plan (VSSP) 21 days before sampling.
- Sampling requirements for discharges underway at speeds greater than 6 knots and associated effluent limits can be found in Tables 2, 3 and 5 of the permit.
- Sampling requirements for discharges at speeds less than 6 knots and associated effluent limits are located in Tables 4 and 6 of the permit.
- Discharge Monitoring Reports (DMRs): see Permit Part 7.2: DMRs are required for each calendar month that the vessel operated in the marine waters of the state and must be submitted within the first 21 days of the following calendar month.
- Submit all CPVEC registration correspondence, support documents, and reports to: <a href="mailto:DEC.WQ.Cruise@alaska.gov">DEC.WQ.Cruise@alaska.gov</a> or mail to: ADEC-CPVEC, ATTN: Cruise Ship Program P.O. Box 111800 Juneau, AK 99811-1800.
- A copy of the General Permit 2013DB0004 and this authorization letter must be kept onboard the vessel. This letter does not relieve the permittee from other local, state, or federal government permitting requirements.

Please reference your permit authorization number 2013DB0004-0019 and vessel name in all future correspondence. If you have any questions regarding the above, please contact Sam Kito at 907-269-7542, or via email at <a href="mailto:Sam.Kito@alaska.gov">Sam.Kito@alaska.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

James Rypkema

Program Manager, Cruise Ship Permitting

Enclosure: NOI

cc: DEC.WQ.Cruise@alaska.gov



# **NOTICE OF INTENT FORM**

### Notice of Intent to be covered under the Wastewater General Permit 2013DB0004 for Large Commercial Passenger Vessels Operating in Alaska (See Sections 2 and 3 of the permit.)

Submission of this document constitutes a request that certain discharges into marine waters of the

## state resulting from the operation of the large commercial passenger vessels identified herein be authorized under General Permit 2013-DB0004. **Vessel Owner Information** Who is the main point of contact for the vessel? (e.g. owner, operator, or Alaska Agent): Operator Vessel Owner's Business Name: MARINER LLC Mailing Address: Trust company complex Phone: **7665 Corporate Center Drive** 305-436-4000 Miami, FL 33126 Representative: Robin Lindsay Email: rlindsay@nclcorp.com Vessel Owner's or Operator's Alaska Agent Information Company Name: Cruise Line Agencies of Alaska (CLAA) **Mailing Address:** Phone: 907-586-1282 Cruise Line Agencies of Alaska P.O. Box 21507 Juneau, AK 99802 Email: ketchikan@claalaska.com Representative: Rick Erickson rerickson@claalaska.com Vessel Operator's Business Name if Different From the Owner's Business Name Vessel Operator's Business Name: Norwegian Cruise Lines Holdings Ltd. **Mailing Address:** Phone: **7665 Corporate Center Drive** 305-436-4349 Miami, FL 33126 Representative: Email: sbrown@nclcorp.com Sarah Ferguson-Brown

Vessel Information (Y/N)				
Are you seeking authorization to dis	Are you seeking authorization to discharge with a mixing zone?			
Are you seeking authorization to discharge while moving at 6 knots or greater?			Υ	
Are you seeking authorization to discharge while moving at under 6 knots?			Υ	
Are you seeking authorization to discharge while in Skagway at Broadway or Ore Docks?				
If the permittee is seeking authoriza	ation wh	ich includes a mixing zone, attach (may be ema	ailed	
separately) a drawing to scale that i	indicate	s the length of the vessel and the locations of a	III	
wastewater effluent penetration po	oints (po	rts) on the hull.		
Vessel Name:		Seven Seas Mariner		
Vessel IMO Number:		9210139		
Vessel Gross Tonnage:		48075		
Port of Registry:		Nassau		
Maximum Passenger Capacity per Voyage:		769		
Maximum Crew Capacity per Voyage:		431		
Vessel Draft¹:		7.0		
Vessel Length in Meters at Waterline <sup>2</sup> :		192		
Vessel Tracking				
Method of submitting hourly vessel tracking information while in Alaskan waters (Marine Exchange				
of Alaska AIS or other Department a	<u> </u>	-		
Name, physical address, and	Marine Exchange of Alaska			
mailing addresses of the service:	1000 Harbor Way Suite 204			
	Juneau, AK 99801			
Contact's name, email address,	Main Telephone – 907-463-2607			
and phone number:	Main Fax – 800-682-2898			
	Network Operations Control Center Fax – 907-463-3654			
	24 Hour Contact – 907-463-3064			
Email – OPS1@mxak.org				

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Vessel draft under a) loaded condition for Alaska operations (bunkers / waste water storage etc.) and b) under light ship conditions for Alaska operations (bunkers empty / no waste water storage etc.)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Length of Waterline (LWL) under normal load in standard Alaska conditions.

Discharge Port Characteristics					
Note: If there is more than one discharge port attach a sheet with the characteristics below for					
each AWTS Port. If more than one discharge pump attach sheet with capacity for each.					
Discharge Port	V/V 2550	Location (Starboard/Port):	Starboard		
Name <sup>3</sup> :	V/ V 2550	Location (Starbourd) orty.	J. C.		
Discharge Port	100 mm	Discharge Port Centerline	4 Meters		
Internal Diameter:	100 11111	Vertical Distance from Keel:	4 Meters		
Discharge Port		Discharge Port Centerline			
Distance from Bow at	170 m	Vertical Distance from	3 Meters		
Waterline (normal	170111	Waterline (normal load) <sup>4</sup> :	J Wieters		
load):		waterine (normanoad) .			
Discharge Port shape	Round	Discharge Port Pump Capacity	15		
(round, oval, square):	Koulia	(m³/hr) for each Pump <sup>5</sup> :	13		
Discharge Port		Discharge Port Horizontal Angle			
Vertical Angle Relative	30	Relative to Centerline <sup>7</sup> :	20		
to Waterline <sup>6</sup> :		helative to centernine.			

Wastewater Discharge Information				
Estimates of the average and maximum volume of the wastewater to be discharged per 24 hour period (in cubic meters), and the beginning and ending dates between which	Average:	367		
	Maximum:	390		
	Startup Date:	08 May 2022		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Name or identification as used in VSSP and Waste Water Discharge Logbook.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Vertical distance from the vertical centerline of the discharge port relative to the standard (loaded) conditions waterline.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Treated wastewater discharge pump for the named discharge port. For vessels with variable speed / capacity pumps identify the effective discharge capacities. For vessels with more than one pump simultaneously operated identify the total effective pump capacities.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Parallel with the Vertical Longitudinal Center Plane orientation of the hull orientation angle defined as the angle in degrees between the horizontally perpendicular projected line originating from the vertical longitudinal center plane of the hull self to the center of the discharge port, and the projected perpendicular line originating from the port center self (face) vertically directed to the center plane of the hull (Y-Y axis).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Parallel with the Vertical Longitudinal Center Plane orientation of the hull orientation angle defined as the angle in degrees between the horizontally perpendicular projected line originating from the vertical longitudinal center plane of the hull self to the center of the discharge port, and the projected perpendicular line originating from the port center self (face) horizontally directed to the vertical center plane of the hull (X-X axis).

discharges may occur the first year of the permit;	Ending date:	27 September 2022	
The type, number, and combined maximum design capacity in cubic meters per 24 hour period of all advanced wastewater treatment systems (AWTS) onboard;	Type (s) (including manufacturer, model name, model number, and year built):	Hamworthy Membrane BioReactors Type MBR 240C (type II). 2001	
	Number of AWTS:	2	
	Combined design capacity:	360x2= 720 cbm	
Type(s) of sewage treatment and system capacity in cubic meters per 24 hour period;	Type (s) (including manufacturer, model name, model number, year built):  Hamworthy Membrane BioReactors Type MBR 240C (type II) 2		
Type(s) of graywater treatment and system capacity in cubic meters per 24 hour period;	Combined design capacity: 360x2= 720 cbm  Type (s) (including manufacturer, model name, model number year built):  Hamworthy Membrane BioReactors Type MBR 240C (type I		
	Combined design capacity: 3	60x2= 720 cbm	
Average volume of sewage generation per day in cubic meters;	17		
Maximum volume of sewage generation per day in cubic meters;	20		
Average graywater generation per day in cubic meters for the following sources;	Accommodations: 133  Galley: 105  Laundry: 95  Other (list types and volumes):		
Maximum graywater generation per	Accommodations: 160		
day in cubic meters for the following sources;	Galley: 110		
	Laundry: 100		
	Other (list types and volumes):		

The method of handling and disposal of sludge and bio-solids p	produced from the treatment of sewage and			
graywater.				
To the Shore- side Facilities or At sea at a distance greater than	12 nm, as permitted.			
Signature and Certification for NOI				
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 have no personal knowledge that the information submitted is other than true,				
accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false				
information, including the possibility of fines and imprisonment for knowing violations.				
Signature of Responsible Corporate Officer	Printed Name			
	Sarah Ferguson-Brown			
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Title/Company	Date			
Senior Director, Environmental Operations	2/18/2022			
Submit this Notice of Intent to:				

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