



April 20, 2023

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Re: Authorization to Discharge 2013DB0004-0047 Sapphire Princess

Dear Mr./Mrs. Konstantin Konstantinov,

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).

Sapphire Princess is hereby authorized to discharge treated wastewater into Alaska marine waters and is issued wastewater discharge authorization number 2013DB0004-0047. 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

<http://dec.alaska.gov/water/cruise-ships/cruise-general-permit/>

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 5.2.3.
 - b. Effluent Limits and sampling requirements are identified in Tables 3 and 5 of the Permit
2. Discharge from multiple ports simultaneously is prohibited.
3. 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 2.1.3.
<http://dec.alaska.gov/water/cruise-ships/cruise-registration/>.
 - As per Permit Part 4.2.3, 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
<http://dec.alaska.gov/water/cruise-ships/cruise-general-permit/>.
 - 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 6.2: 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: DEC.WQ.Cruise@alaska.gov 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 2013DB0004-0011R1 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 Sam.Kito@alaska.gov.

Sincerely,



James Rypkema
Program Manager, Cruise Ship Permitting

Enclosure: NOI

Reference (EDMS) submission number: HPS-6C5K-2K5HQ

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 passengers 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):
Environmental Officer

Mailing Address:
24305 Town Center Drive suite 130
Santa Clarita, CA 91355

Business Name: Holland America Group
Phone: (206) 626-9600
Email: SADEVOF1@princesscruises.com
Representative:

Vessel Owner's or Operator's Alaska Agent Information

Mailing Address:
601 W. 5th Avenue #501
Anchorage, AK 99501

Company Name: Holland America Group
Phone: (907) 264-2127
Email: RSamuels@HollandAmericaGroup.com
Representative:

Vessel Operator's Business Name if Different from the Owner's Business Name

Vessel Information

Are you seeking authorization to discharge with a mixing zone?	Yes
Are you seeking authorization to discharge while moving at 6 knots or greater with a mixing zone?	Yes
Are you seeking authorization to discharge while moving at under 6 knots with a mixing zone?	No
Are you seeking authorization to discharge while in Skagway at Broadway or Ore Docks with a mixing zone?	No

All vessels seeking authorization to discharge in Alaska Waters need to provide recent (within the previous 12 months) sampling results for Fecal Coliform Bacteria, Total Residual Chlorine (TRC), pH, Biochemical Oxygen Demand (5-day) and Total Suspended Solids (TSS). If the permittee is seeking authorization which includes a mixing zone, attach (may be emailed separately) a drawing to scale that indicates the length of the vessel and the locations of all wastewater effluent penetration points (ports) on the hull.

Vessel Name:	Sapphire Princess
Vessel IMO Number:	9228186
Vessel Gross Tonnage:	115875
Port of Registry:	London
Maximum Passenger Capacity per Voyage:	2678
Maximum Crew Capacity per Voyage:	1060
Vessel Draft ¹ :	
Vessel Length in Meters at Waterline ² :	288.3

Vessel Tracking

Method of submitting hourly vessel tracking information while in Alaskan waters (Marine Exchange of Alaska AIS or other Department approved method): Marine Exchange of Alaska AIS

Name, physical address, and mailing address of the service:	Marine Exchange of Alaska Tracking Service 1050 Harbor Way; Juneau
Contact's name, email address, and phone number:	Email: INFO@MXAK.org ; Phone: 907-463-2607

¹ 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.)

² 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 Name ³ :	C	Location (Starboard/Port):	Port
Discharge Port Internal Diameter:	15	Discharge Port Centerline Vertical Distance from Keel:	7.20
Discharge Port Distance from Bow at Waterline (normal load):	217.0	Discharge Port Centerline Vertical Distance from Waterline (normal load) ⁴ :	1.20
Discharge Port shape (round, oval, square):	Round	Discharge Port Pump Capacity (m ³ /hr) for each Pump ⁵ :	35
Discharge Port Vertical Angle Relative to Waterline ⁶ :	90	Discharge Port Horizontal Angle Relative to Centerline ⁷ :	90

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 discharges may occur the first year of the permit;	Average:	875
	Maximum:	1030
	Startup Date:	05/02/2023
	Ending date:	09/25/2023
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):	Membrane Bioreactor Hamworthy (MBR) Wastewater Treatment (2) MBR 8-GO099361 2022 (1) MBR 320C 2022
	Number of AWTS:	3
	Combined design capacity:	988
Type(s) of sewage treatment and system capacity in cubic meters per 24 hour period;	Type (s) (including manufacturer, model name, model number, and year built): Combined design capacity:	
Type(s) of graywater treatment and system capacity in cubic meters per 24 hour period;	Type (s) (including manufacturer, model name, model number, and year built): Combined design capacity:	
Average volume of sewage generation per day in cubic meters;		
Maximum volume of sewage generation per day in cubic meters;		

³ Name or identification as used in VSSP and Waste Water Discharge Logbook.

⁴ Vertical distance from the vertical centerline of the discharge port relative to the standard (loaded) conditions waterline.

⁵ 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.

⁶ 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).

⁷ 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).

Average graywater generation per day in cubic meters for the following sources;	Accommodations: 445 Galley: 250 Laundry: 100 Other (list types and volumes):
Maximum graywater generation per day in cubic meters for the following sources;	Accommodations: 600 Galley: 250 Laundry: 100 Other (list types and volumes):
The method of handling and disposal of sludge and biosolids produced from the treatment of sewage and graywater: The desludging of MBR systems will take place > 12 NM outside of Alaska waters.	

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

Title/Company

Date