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PART 1
RULES AND REGULATIONS

§18-101. Definitions.

AUTHORITY — the Sandy Township Municipal Authority.

BOD OR BIOCHEMICAL OXYGEN DEMAND — the quantity of oxygen, expressed in parts per million (ppm) by weight utilized in the biochemical oxidation or organic matter under standard laboratory procedure for 5 days at 20 degrees centigrade.

CAPITAL ADDITION NO. 1 — those certain additions to the sewer system constructed in 1973 and 1974 at the I-80 Interchange within the Township and financed by the Sandy Township Municipal Authority through the issuance of its sewer revenue bonds, Series of 1973, as more particularly described in the plans, specifications and reports of Lee Simpson & Associates, Inc., consulting engineers for the Authority. [Ord. 19]

COMMERCIAL ESTABLISHMENT — any improved property used wholly or in part for the sale and distribution of any product commodity, articles or service excluding motels or industrials.

HOUSE CONNECTION — that part of the sewer line from the service lateral to the outer wall of the building to be served.

INDUSTRIAL ESTABLISHMENT — any improved property used wholly or in part for the manufacturing, processing, cleaning, laundering or assembling of any product, commodity or article.

INDUSTRIAL WASTES — any solid, liquid or gaseous substance or form of energy rejected or escaping from any industrial, manufacturing, trade or business process or from the development, recovery or processing of natural resources, as distinct from sanitary sewerage.

PERSON — any individual, firm, company, association, society, corporation or group.

SERVICE LATERAL — that part of the sewer line from the sewer system to the curb line.

SEWER CUSTOMER — the party, whether owner or tenant, contracting for service to a property as hereinafter classified:

- A. A building under one roof and occupied by one family or business.

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- B. A combination of buildings in one common enclosure, occupied by one family or business.
- C. One side of a double house having a solid vertical party wall, occupied by one family or business.
- D. One side or part of a house occupied by one family or business even though plumbing fixtures shall be used in common.
- E. Each apartment in a building having a number of apartments and businesses.
- F. Each apartment in a building having more than one apartment.
- G. A house trailer.

SEWER MANAGER — any person who may from time to time be placed in general charge of the sewer system, and the Authority's Secretary shall act as a Sewer Manager until another person is designated as such by the Supervisors.

SEWER RENTAL — that monthly charge for direct or indirect connection with and the use of the sewer system of the Authority.

SEWER SYSTEM — the main sewers that are constructed by and under the supervision of the Authority.

SUPERVISORS — the group of elected officers serving as the governing body of the Township.

TOWNSHIP — the Township of Sandy, Clearfield County, Pennsylvania.

WATER WORKS — all facilities for the collection and distribution of water to persons in the Township and shall also include the owner and/or operator, from time to time, of all such water facilities.

(Ord. 11, 7/16/1961, §1; as amended by Ord. 19, 12/20/1973, §B)

§18-102. Rates for Sanitary Sewage.

1. Sewer Rates for Residential Customers. All owners of property either connecting to or which should be connected to the sewage system under applicable ordinance of the Township shall pay to the Township the following rentals or charges for sanitary sewage system:
 - A. The rate for debt service and operations for residential customers on individual water meters will be the minimum quarterly amount of \$59.25 and,

in addition, \$6.35 per 1,000 gallons of water used over 9,000 gallons quarterly.

- B. The rate for debt service and operations for nonresidential customers on individual water meters will be the minimum quarterly amount of \$64.20 and, in addition, \$6.90 per 1,000 gallons of water used over 9,000 quarterly.
 - C. For those property owners who use an unmetered water source, the following quarterly sum:
 - (1) One person in household — \$59.25
 - (2) Two persons in household — \$84.65
 - (3) Three persons in household — \$116.40
 - (4) Four persons in household — \$122.75
 - D. In addition to the rates established by subsections (A) and (B), all customers have to pay a monthly sewage maintenance fee of \$12.25, with the payment to be made on a quarterly basis.
 - E. The rates, charges and costs established by this Section may be amended, from time to time, by resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Sandy.
 - F. The rates, charges and costs established by this Part are to be effective April 1, 2005.
2. Industrial/Commercial Customers. In addition to costs provided in subparagraphs (A) and (B) above the sum of \$3.80 per thousand gallons of water used, but not less than \$44.20 per quarter. [Ord. 1999-4]
3. Domestic Commercial, Industrial Motels and Schools in the Service Area of Capital Addition No. 1. A sum equal to \$2.70 per 1,000 gallons of water used by each sewer customer per quarter for debt service and for operation and treatment. Also a sum equal to \$10 dollars shall apply to all sewer customers. [Ord. 1996-4]
- A. A sum equal to \$3.25 per 1,000 gallons of water used by each sewer customer per quarter of debt service and operation and treatment. Also a sum equal to \$10 for maintenance shall apply to all sewer customers. [Ord. 1999-5]
 - B. A tap on fee shall be charged at the rate of \$600 dollars for residential customers.
 - C. A tap on fee for Commercial, industrial, motels and schools, shall be charged based on equivalent domestic user rate of \$600.

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4. This Section shall not apply to the Slab Run Treatment System. [Ord. 1999-4]

(Ord. 11, 7/16/1961, §2; as amended by Ord. 15, 6/9/1975; by Ord. 19, 11/20/1973, §§A and C; by Ord. 116, 9/22/1976, §§1 and 2; by Ord. 130, 10/11/1980, by Ord. 131, -/-/1976, §§1 and 2; by Ord. 1980-2, 11/10/1980, §1; by Ord. 1984-3, 1/1/1984, §§A and B; by Ord. 1984-7, 3/31/1984, §§1 and 2; by Ord. 1986-1, 4/1/1986, §§A and B; by Ord. 1988-4, 3/28/1988, §§A and B; by Ord. 1991-1, 4/3/1991, §§A and B; by Ord. 1994-3, 7/25/1994; by Ord. 1996-3, 8/21/1996; by Ord. 1996-4, -/-/1996; by Ord. 1999-4, 4/21/1999; by Ord. 1999-5, 4/21/1999 §1; and by Ord. 2005-5, 5/16/2005)

§18-103. Rates for Industrial Wastes.

1. In the event that the Township consents to accept industrial wastes into the sewer system under a permit, as hereinafter provided, the quarterly sewer rent for such sewage services shall be the same as the charge for volume as set in this Part. In addition thereto, further charges shall be made for all such industrial wastes discharged into the sewer system having total suspended solids and biochemical oxygen demand in excess of the following concentrations:

- A. Suspended Solids. Three hundred parts per million.

- B. B.O.D. Two hundred fifty parts per million.

2. The total charge for industrial wastes having concentrations in excess of the foregoing shall be determined in accordance with the following formula:

- A. Total Charge Equals.

$Q-I - (0.0002 \text{ or } (BOD \text{ in ppm } 0250)) - I - (0.0002 Q \text{ (SS in ppm-300)})$ where:

Q = Metered quantity charge.

BOD = Biochemical oxygen demand – actual waste.

ss = Suspended solids – actual waste.

ppm = Parts per million.

3. A quarterly rental of 125% of the following charges based on the quantity of water used as evidenced by meter readings of meters installed for the purpose of measuring water purchased from the City of DuBois or in the event there is no such meter the minimum charge applied separately to each meter or customer as follows:

QUARTERLY RATE

Minimum Charge	\$3.60
First 4,000 gallons of water, per quarter or portion thereof	\$0.90 per 1,000 gallon
Next 5,000 gallons or portion thereof	\$0.70 per 1,000 gallon
Next 291,000 gallons or portion thereof	\$0.40 per 1,000 gallon
Next 300,000 gallons or portion thereof	\$0.25 per 1,000 gallon
Next 300,000 gallons or portion thereof	\$0.20 per 1,000 gallon
Next 600,000 gallons or portion thereof	\$0.15 per 1,000 gallon
All over 1,500,000 gallons	\$0.12 per 1,000 gallon

(Ord. 11, 7/16/1961, §3)

§18-104. Permit for Industrial Wastes.

The discharge of industrial wastes into the sewer system without the consent of the Township is hereby prohibited. Any industrial establishment desiring to discharge industrial wastes into the sewer system shall make application to the Township for a permit therefor. The applicant for such permit shall furnish the Township with such information as is required for the purpose of determining whether the proposed discharge of industrial wastes will conform with the requirements of the Board of Supervisors and the rules and regulations provided herein. The granting of such permit may be made contingent upon the applicant providing and maintaining, at the expense of the applicant, apparatus for regulating the rate of discharge and/or treating such wastes prior to discharge and for the proper sampling thereof, from time to time, as the Township may deem necessary.

(Ord. 11, 7/16/1961, §4)

§18-105. Measuring Volume for the Purposes of §18-102.

1. Methods of Measuring Volume.
 - A. Whenever a person purchasing all water used from the water works discharges sanitary sewage and/or industrial waste into the sewer system, the volume of water used, as determined from meter readings of the Township, shall be used in computing the sewer rental.
 - B. In cases where persons have sources of water supply in addition to, or other than from, the water works and discharge sanitary sewage and/or industrial wastes into the sewer system, those persons shall provide a meter on such additional or other source of supply. The total amount of water consumed as

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shown by the meter readings under §§102(1) and (2) will be used in computing the sewer rentals.

- C. In cases where persons use water from the water works and/or from an independent supply such that all or any part of the water so used is not discharged into the sewer system, the quantity of water used to determined the sewer rental shall be computed by one of the following methods:
- (1) Method No. 1. By placing a meter or measuring device on the sewer connection. The readings therefrom shall be used in computing the sewer rental.
 - (2) Method No. 2. By placing a meter or measuring device on the effluent not discharging into the sewer system. The readings therefrom will then be deducted from the total water meter readings and the remainder will be used in computing the sewer rental.
 - (3) Method No. 3. Where in the opinion of the Sewer Manager it is not practical to install measuring devices to continuously determine the quantity of water not discharged to the sewer system, the Sewer Manager will determine, in such manner and by such method as he may prescribe, the percentage of metered water discharged into the sewer system and the quantity of water used to compute the sewer rental shall be the percentage so determined of the quantity measured by the water meter or meters. Any dispute as to the estimated amount shall be submitted to the Board of Supervisors after notice of the estimate, whose decision on the matter shall be final for the then current calendar year.
2. Measuring Devices. All meters of measuring devices not provided by the water works required to be used under the provisions of this Part shall be furnished and installed by the property owner and shall be under the control of the Township, and may be tested, inspected or repaired by employees of the Township whenever the Supervisors deem necessary. The owner of the property upon which such measuring device is installed shall be responsible for its maintenance and safekeeping, and all repairs thereto shall be made at the property owner's expense, whether such repairs are made necessary by ordinary wear and tear or other causes. Where such meter by reason of lack of space or arrangement of pipelines shall be installed within the street line, such meter shall be furnished by the property owner and shall be installed by the Township at the property owners expense. The Township shall be responsible for its maintenance and safekeeping and all repairs thereto shall be made at the property owner's expense. Bills for such repairs, if made by the Township, shall be due and payable at the same time and collected in the same manner as are the bills for sewer services; such bills from and after their due date shall constitute a lien upon the property upon which, or for the benefit of which, such measuring devices are installed.

3. Meter Reading. The Township shall be responsible for the reading of all meters or measuring devices, and they shall be made available to employees of the Township for meter reading at any reasonable time.

(Ord. 11, 7/16/1961, §5)

§18-106. Time and Place of Payment.

1. Bills Shall be Rendered Quarterly. All bills are due and payable at the office of the Authority immediately upon presentation. All bills not paid within 30 days after they are due shall automatically become subject to a 5% penalty and shall thereafter also bear interest at the rate of 1 1/2% or fraction thereof until paid.
2. The sewer rentals or charges hereby imposed shall be a lien on the improved property connected to and served by the sewer system and all delinquent bills for sewer rentals hereby imposed shall be entered as a lien against the property so connected to and served by the sewer system, which lien shall be filed in the office of the Prothonotary of Clearfield County, Pennsylvania, in the manner provided by law for the filing and collecting of municipal claims.
3. The Township shall also have the right to cut off all sewer or water service or both from the delinquent premises and not restore the same until all delinquent sums and all costs of cutting off and restoring the service shall have been paid. Each property owner to facilitate such service shall have and keep in working order a plainly marked water shut-off.

(Ord. 11, 7/16/1961, §6)

§18-107. Changing Rules.

The Township reserves the right to change or amend, from time to time, these rates, rules and regulations in accordance with law.

(Ord. 11, 7/16/1961, §7)

§18-108. Rules Cannot Be Varied.

No officer or employee of the Authority or Township can vary these rates, rules and regulations without action of the members of the Authority or the Board of Supervisors, and no agent or employee of the Authority can bind it by any agreement or representation except when authorized in writing to do so by an executive officer of the Authority.

(Ord. 11, 7/16/1961, §8)

PART 2

SUBSURFACE SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS

A. Area 1.

§18-201. Permit Requirements.

1. No person shall install, construct or request bid proposals for construction or alter an individual sewage system or community sewage system or construct or request bid proposals for construction or install or occupy any building or structure for which an individual sewage system or community sewage system is to be installed without first obtaining a permit indicating that the site and the plans and specifications of such system are in compliance with the provisions of the Pennsylvania Sewage Facilities Act and the standards adopted pursuant to that Act.
2. No system or structure designed to provide individual or community sewage disposal shall be covered from view until approval to cover the same has been given by the Township Sewage Enforcement Officer. If 72 hours have elapsed, excepting Sundays and holidays, since the Sewage Enforcement Officer issuing the permit received notification of completion of construction, the applicant may cover said system or structure unless permission has been specifically refused by the Sewage Enforcement Officer.
3. The Township may require applicants for sewage permits to notify the Township's certified Sewage Enforcement Officer of the schedule for construction of the permitted onlot sewage disposal systems to that inspection(s) in addition to the final inspection required by Act 537 may be scheduled and performed by the Township's certified Sewage Enforcement Officer.
4. No building or occupancy permit shall be issued by the Township or its Zoning Officer for a new building which will contain sewage generating facilities until a valid sewage permit has been obtained from the Township's certified Sewage Enforcement Officer.
5. No building or occupancy permit shall be issued and no work shall begin on any alteration or conversion of any existing structure, if said alteration or conversion will result in the increase or the potential increase in sewage flows from the structure, until the Township's Codes Enforcement Officer and the structure's owner receive from the Township's Sewage Enforcement Officer either a permit for alteration or replacement of the existing sewage disposal system or written notification that such a permit will not be required. The certified Sewage Enforcement Officer shall determine whether the proposed alteration or conversion of the structure will result in increased sewage flows.

(Ord. 1986-2, 9/8/1986; as added by Ord. 1990-1, 8/15/1990, Art. 1)

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§18-202. Definitions.

ABSORPTION AREA — a component of a community sewage system where the liquid from a septic tank or other treatment tank seeps into the soil; it consists of an aggregate-filled area containing piping for the distribution of liquid into the soil or sand/soil combination located beneath the aggregate.

COMMUNITY SEWAGE SYSTEM — any system whether publicly or privately owned, for the collection of sewage or industrial wastes of a liquid nature from two or more lots and for the treatment or disposal of the sewage or industrial waste on one or more of the lots or any other site.

INDUSTRIAL WASTE — any liquid, gaseous, radioactive, solid or other substance which is not sewage resulting from manufacturing or industry or other plant or works and mine drainage, silt, coal mine solids, rock debris, dirt and clay from coal mines, coal collieries, breakers or other coal processing operations. The term shall include all such substances whether or not generally characterized as waste.

INDIVIDUAL SEWAGE SYSTEM — a system of piping, tanks, or other facilities serving a single lot and collecting and disposing of sewage in whole or in part into the soil or into any waters of this Commonwealth or by means of conveyance to another site for final disposal.

MALFUNCTION — any one or more of the following conditions:

- A. Sewage flow is blocked or restricted in the sewage system which causes the back-up of sewage into a building, structure or part thereof.
- B. Sewage rises to the surface of the ground over a septic tank or flows out of a septic tank vent.
- C. Sewage rises to the surface of the ground over the absorption area or down-grade from the absorption area at a bank or road cut.
- D. Untreated or partially-treated sewage, liquid kitchen or laundry wastes, or shower or bathtub washwater is discharged to the surface of the ground or into the waters of the Commonwealth without specific approval by DEP. [A.O.]
- E. Sewage enters the water table without complete treatment resulting in pollution of drinking water or the waters of the Commonwealth.

PERSON — any individual, association, public or private corporation for profit or not-for-profit, partnership, firm, trust or estate.

SEPTAGE — the scum, grease, sludge and liquid which accumulates in a septic tank.

SEPTIC TANK — a water tight tank designed to retain sewage long enough for satisfactory bacterial decomposition of the solids to take place prior to its discharge to an absorption area.

SEWAGE — any substance that contains any of the waste products or excrement or other discharges from the bodies of human being or animals.

SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER (SEO) — the person or persons designated by Sandy Township to review and approve permit applications and conduct inspections pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 71 and 73 of the DEP Rules and Regulations. [A.O.]

SEWAGE SYSTEM — any alternate, experimental, community or individual sewage system.

WATER CONSERVATION HABITS — very low or no-cost ways to reduce water usage such as repairing leaky faucets, running dish and clothes washers only when full, reducing the length of showers, reducing the use of running water while shaving or washing, etc.

WATERS OF THE COMMONWEALTH — rivers, streams, creeks, rivulets, impoundments, ditches, water courses, storm sewers, lakes, dammed water, ponds, springs and all other bodies or channels of conveyance of surface and underground water or any of their parts — whether natural or artificial within or on the boundaries of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

(Ord. 1986-2, 9/8/1986, Art. II; as amended by A.O.)

§18-203. Applicability.

1. This Part applies to all community, and individual sewage systems located as follows:
 - A. All properties fronting on or using for access to their properties the public right of ways enumerated below:
 - (1) Kiwanis Trail Road. Commencing at the intersection of South Main Street. Extension going westerly then southerly to and including Hemlock Heights.
 - (2) Blue Jay Drive.
 - (3) Cardinal Drive.

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- (4) Wren Avenue.
 - (5) White Pine Road.
 - (6) Beech Tree Road.
 - (7) Burnt Hemlock.
 - (8) Black Walnut Road.
 - (9) Wild Cherry Drive.
 - (10) Red Oak Drive.
 - (11) Old Woods Road.
 - (12) Hemlock Heights.
2. This Part shall not be interpreted in any way as governing, constraining or limiting any actions that the Township or SEO may take regarding any sewage system which is creating a nuisance or causing pollution of the waters of the Commonwealth.

(Ord. 1986-2, 9/8/1986, Art. III)

§18-204. Operation and Maintenance Regulations.

1. All septic tanks shall be pumped within 3 months of the effective date of this Part and thereafter every 3 years. Submission of receipts – if evidence is submitted that tanks have been pumped within 3 years of effective date, that shall be deemed to be in compliance with the initial pumping requirement.
2. The provisions of this subsection (1) notwithstanding, septic tanks shall be pumped to remove septage whenever 3 years have elapsed since the previous pumping or more frequently if it is determined to be necessary by the Township or its authorized agent due to malfunction or above average hydraulic loading of the system.
3. Receipts as to proof of pumping the septic system should be submitted to the Sandy Township Supervisors, P.O. Box 267, DuBois, PA 15801, within 30 days of pumping.
4. Roof drains, cellar drains, foundation drains, basement sump pumps and other sources of rainwater or groundwater shall not be discharged into any sewage system.

5. The ground surface shall be graded so that stormwater runoff does not pond or collect on the surface of the ground overlaying the absorption area.
6. No industrial wastes shall be discharged into any sewage system without first obtaining any permits required for such discharge by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection. [A.O.]
7. Solids such as coffee grounds, cigarette butts, etc., which degrade slowly or do not settle well shall not be discharged into any sewage system.

B. Area 2.

§18-211. Definitions.

AFFECTED AREA — all that property situated within the triangle formed by TR363, TR232, SR0219 and LR17101.

HOUSE CONNECTION — that part of the sewer line from the service lateral to a point a maximum of 3 feet beyond the outer wall of the building to be served.

INDUSTRIAL WASTE — any solid, liquid, gaseous substance, water borne waste or form of energy rejected or escaping from any industrial manufacturing, trade or commercial process, or from the development, recovery or processing of natural resources, as distinct from sanitary sewage.

OCCUPIED BUILDINGS — any structure erected and intended for continuous or periodic habitation, occupancy or use by human beings or animals, and from which structure sanitary sewage and industrial waste, or either thereof, is or may be discharged.

SERVICE LATERAL — that part of the sewer line from the sewer system to the property line adjacent to the sewer system.

SEWAGE — the combination of water – carried waste from residences, business buildings, institutions and industrial and commercial establishments, together with such ground, surface or storm water that may be present.

SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER — that individual appointed by the Sandy Township Supervisors, who shall receive compensation for the services he renders to the Township and whose duty it shall be to inspect all building, sewer systems in conformity with the provision of law, this Part and rules and regulations of the Township all, as amended from time to time, and who shall be charged with duty of enforcing this Part and the Township's rules and regulations, and who shall have the power to bring appropriate proceedings before the District Justice of the Township.

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SEWER SYSTEM — the main sewers that are constructed by or under the supervision of the Township within the affected area.

SHALL — is mandatory; MAY – is permissive.

TOWNSHIP — the Township of Sandy, Clearfield County, Pennsylvania.

(Ord. 1988-8, 10/5/1988, Art. I;)

§18-204. Operation and Maintenance Regulations.

1. All septic tanks shall be pumped within 3 months of the effective date of this Part and thereafter every 3 years. Submission of receipts – if evidence is submitted that tanks have been pumped within 3 years of effective date, that shall be deemed to be in compliance with the initial pumping requirement.
2. The provisions of this subsection (1) notwithstanding, septic tanks shall be pumped to remove septage whenever 3 years have elapsed since the previous pumping or more frequently if it is determined to be necessary by the Township or its authorized agent due to malfunction or above average hydraulic loading of the system.
3. Receipts as to proof of pumping the septic system should be submitted to the Sandy Township Supervisors, P.O. Box 267, DuBois, PA 15801, within 30 days of pumping.
4. Roof drains, cellar drains, foundation drains, basement sump pumps and other sources of rainwater or groundwater shall not be discharged into any sewage system.
5. The ground surface shall be graded so that stormwater runoff does not pond or collect on the surface of the ground overlaying the absorption area.
6. No industrial wastes shall be discharged into any sewage system without first obtaining any permits required for such discharge by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection. [A.O.]
7. Solids such as coffee grounds, cigarette butts, etc., which degrade slowly or do not settle well shall not be discharged into any sewage system.

§18-212. Applicability.

1. This Part applies to all properties situated within the affected area.
2. All dwellings situated within the above mentioned triangle must make connection to the community sewer system within 90 days after the adoption of this Part.

3. This Part shall not be interpreted in any way as governing, constraining or limiting any actions that the Township or SEO may take regarding any sewage system which is creating a nuisance or causing pollution of the water of the Commonwealth.
4. From time to time in the future, as sanitary sewer service becomes available to additional properties within the Township by reason of additions to the sewer system or improvements on abutting property, each and every owner of such property shall likewise be required to make connection to the abutting or adjoining sanitary sewer and to pay the required connection charge and to obey all rules and regulations of the Township.

(Ord. 1988-8, 10/5/1988, Art. II)

§18-213. Operation and Maintenance Regulations.

1. All septic tanks shall be pumped within 3 months from the effective date of this Part and thereafter every 3 years. If evidence is submitted that tanks have been pumped within 3 years of the effective date of this Part, that shall be deemed to be compliance with the initial pumping requirements of this Part. Receipts as to proof of pumping the septic systems shall be submitted to the Sandy Township Supervisors, P.O. Box 267, DuBois, Pennsylvania 15801, within 30 days of pumping. After connection, all tanks must be pumped out a minimum of once every 3 years. A receipt for pumping is required to be submitted to the Township. If the 3 year interval is exceeded, the Township shall have the authority to order the tank pumped at the owner's expense.
2. The provisions of subsection (1), notwithstanding, septic tanks shall be pumped to remove septage whenever 3 years have elapsed since the previous pumping or more frequently if it is determined to be necessary by the Township or its authorized agent due to malfunction or above average hydraulic loading of the system.
3. Roof drains, cellar drains, foundation drains, basement sump pumps and other sources of rainwater or groundwater shall not be discharged into any sewage system.
4. No industrial wastes shall be discharged into any sewage system without first obtaining any and all permits required for such discharge by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection. [A.O.]

§18-214. Connection Regulations.

1. Before any connection shall be made to the sewer system, an application for permission to connect to the collecting sewer in an abutting street, land, alley or other public highway shall be completed by the owner and submitted to Sandy

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Township. A fee in the amount as established from time to time by the Board of Supervisors shall be required. [A.O.]

2. Unless written permission is obtained from the Township, separate connections and corresponding tap connection and inspection fees will be required for each individual occupied building whether constructed as a detached unit or as one of a pair or row.
3. The Sewage Enforcement Officer designated of the Township shall be given at least 24 hours notice of the time when such connection shall be made in order that said sewage enforcement officer can be present to inspect and approve work of connection. The inspector shall signify his approval on the aforementioned connection permit in the possession of the permittees.
4. At the time of inspection of the connection, the owner of properties shall permit the Sewage Enforcement Officer full and complete access to all sanitary and drainage arrangements and facilities in each building and in and about all parts of the property. No building sewer line shall be covered over, or in any manner concealed, until after it is inspected and approved by said Inspector. If the lateral is to be connected to an existing septic tank the septic tank as well as the pipe from the house to the septic tank shall be uncovered to permit inspection of those facilities. Cracks or breaks in the tank will necessitate tank replacement.
5. All pipe installed shall be either polyvinyl chloride (PVC) or acrylonitrile butadiene styrene (ABS) pipe of the kind and quality hereinafter specified and of at least 4 inches inside diameter. The pipe shall be 4 inch ASTM D 1785, Schedule 40 PVC pipe; ASTM D 2241, SDR 32.5 PVC pipe; and ASTM D 2751, SDR 35 ABS pipe.
6. All sewer pipe shall be installed in strict accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations. Where rock trench foundation exists, a 4 inch gravel cradle shall be provided under the pipe.
7. All pipe shall be installed with a minimum slope of 1/8 inch per foot and a minimum cover of 2 1/2 feet unless otherwise approved. All pipe shall be laid to an even grade and straight alignment to the public sanitary sewer. All pipe shall be laid with will and even bearing and no block supports will be allowed. Bell holes shall be dug to allow sufficient space to properly make each joint. Backfill shall be tamped uniformly around the pipe. All work shall be done in a workmanlike manner and shall provide a durable installation.
8. If the dwelling is not adequately vented and trapped, then a 4 inch soil pipe vent and trap shall be installed a maximum of 5 feet from the right of way or property line, whichever is closer to the building or proposed building. All facilities that are connected to the sewer shall be vented.
9. All septic tanks must be pumped out prior to connection to the system.
10. All septic tanks must be equipped with baffle plates.

11. Sewage Charges. All owners of property either connecting to or which should be connected to the sewage system under applicable ordinance of the Township shall pay to the Township the following rentals of charges for sanitary sewage service:
 - A. 1988-1993. A quarterly charge of \$78.75.
 - B. 1994-1998. A quarterly charge of \$80.
 - C. 1999 and Beyond. The charges set by the Sandy Township Supervisors.

(Ord. 1988-8, 10/5/1988, Art. IV; as amended by A.O.)

§18-215. Inspection and Order by Sewage Enforcement Officer.

1. The SEO may enter at reasonable times any building, structure, premises, lot or land for the purpose of making inspections to determine compliance with the provisions of this Part.
2. The SEO may request an owner of any sewage system to provide copies of receipts or other evidence to substantiate when a septic tank was last pumped in order to determine compliance with §18-203(2).
3. Whenever the SEO finds any condition or practice which is inconsistent with the provisions of this Part, he may issue a written order to the responsible person stating that the condition or practice found is inconsistent with this Part and directing that the condition or practice be abated, corrected or ceased within such time specified in the order.
4. After the expiration of the time period specified in any written order, the SEO shall determine whether the order has been complied with and notify the responsible person in writing if the order has not been complied with.
5. In the event of noncompliance with any order, the SEO may issue a subsequent order stating again that the condition or practice found is inconsistent with this Part and directing that the condition or practice be abated, corrected or ceased within such time specified in the order.

(Ord. 1988-8,10/5/1988, Art. V)

§18-216. Penalties.

Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate any provision of this Part, upon conviction thereof in an action brought before a magisterial district judge in the manner provided for the enforcement of summary offenses under the Pennsylvania Rules of Criminal Procedure, shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than \$1,000 plus costs

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and, in default of payment of said fine and costs, to a term of imprisonment not to exceed 90 days. Each day that a violation of this Part continues or each Section of this Part which shall be found to have been violated shall constitute a separate offense.

(Ord. 1988-8,10/5/1988, Art. VI; as amended by Ord. 1996-6, 8/21/1996, §1; by Ord. 1997-2, 4/2/1997, §1; and by A.O.

PART 3

REGULATIONS OF SEWER SYSTEM; REQUIREMENTS FOR CONNECTION

§18-301. Terms Defined.

The word “person,” as used in this Part, shall mean any natural person, association, partnership, firm or corporation. The singular shall include the plural and the masculine shall include the feminine and the neuter. The word “Authority,” as used in this Part, shall mean the Sandy Township Municipal Authority and its successors and assigns.

(Ord. 115A, 8/30/1960, §1; as amended by Ord. 2003-8, 11/3/2003, §1; Ord. No. 2005-3, 4/18/2005, §1)

§18-302. Connection Required.

All owners of property accessible to and whose principal building is within 150 feet from the sanitary sewers owned by the Township or leased by the Township from the Authority or owned by the Authority are hereby directed and required to make connection with such sewer for the purpose of discharging therein all fecal matter, human excrement, kitchen and laundry waste and other sewage from such premises. All such sewage shall, after such connection, be conducted into such sewer. Every such property shall be connected separately and independently with the sewer through the house connection branch directly opposite the building or nearest in a downstream direction.

(Ord. 115A, 8/30/1960, §2; as amended by Ord. 2003-8, 11/3/2003, §2; Ord. No. 2005-3, 4/18/2005, §2)

§18-303. Notice to Connect.

If the owner of any property, after 60 days’ notice from the Township or Authority to make connection with such sewer, shall fail to make such connection, the Township or Authority may make such connection and may collect the cost thereof from such owner by a municipal claim or in an action of assumpsit, as provided by law.

(Ord. 115A, 8/30/1960, §3; as amended by Ord. 2003-8, 11/3/2003, §3; Ord. No. 2005-3, 4/18/2005, §3)

§18-304. Permit Required.

No person shall uncover, connect with, make any opening into, use, alter or disturb, in any manner, any sanitary sewer owned by the Township or leased by the Township

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from the Authority or owned by the Authority without first obtaining a permit, in writing, from the Township of Sandy.

(Ord. 115A, 8/30/1960; as added by Ord. 2003-8, 11/3/2003, §4; Ord. No. 2005-3, 4/18/2005, §4)

§18-305. Application for Permit.

Application for a permit required under §18-304 of this Part shall be made by the owner of the improved property served or by the duly authorized agent of such owner. Any permit granted by the Township of Sandy shall lapse and no longer be valid after 1 year from the date of its issuance unless the connection has been made.

(Ord. 115A, 8/30/1960; as added by Ord. 2003-8, 11/3/2003, §5; Ord. No. 2005-3, 4/18/2005, §5)

§18-306. Connection Shall be Under the Supervision of the Township.

All work of making connection to any sewer shall be done under the personal supervision of the Township Engineer, or his authorized agent, and shall conform to the following requirements:

- A. All sewer connections shall be made at the place where the “Y” in the sewer is provided, but if no “Y” is provided in the sewer, then the property owner making such connection, shall at his expense, put in the “Y” in making such connection.
- B. All joints shall be sealed and made airtight and shall be made smooth and clean inside, with all sewers in straight alignment and of proper grade, so as to provide free flow of sewage matter without any obstructions, and to be made in accordance with Township specifications for its sewers.
- C. All work pertaining to the connection with the sewer shall be, financially and otherwise, the responsibility of the owner of the property with which connection is made, subject to the right of supervision hereby reserved by the Township or its agents.

(Ord. 115A, 8/30/1960, §4; as amended by Ord. 2003-8, 11/3/2003, §6; Ord. No. 2005-3, 4/18/2005, §6)

§18-307. Prohibited Activities.

No person shall connect or cause to be connected with any of the sewers in the Township, directly or indirectly, any steam exhaust, boiler blow off, sediment drip or any pipe carrying or constructed to carry hot water or acid, germicide, grease, brewery mash,

gasoline, naphtha, benzine, oil and any other substance detrimental to the sewers or to the receiving sewage disposal works.

(Ord. 115A, 8/30/1960, §5; as amended by Ord. 2003-8, 11/3/2003, §7; Ord. No. 2005-3, 4/18/2005, §7)

§18-308. Privy Vaults, Cesspools, etc., Prohibited.

No privy vault, cesspool or similar receptacle for human excrement shall hereafter be maintained upon any premises from which connection with any sewers shall have been made. Every such privy vault, cesspool or other receptacle shall, within 30 days after final enactment of this Part in the case of premises now connected with a sewer and within 30 days after connection with the sewer, in the case of premises hereafter so connected, be abandoned, cleaned and filled under the direction and supervision of the Township Engineer.

(Ord. 115A, 8/30/1960, §6; as amended by Ord. 2003-8, 11/3/2003, §8; Ord. No. 2005-3, 4/18/2005, §8)

§18-309. Penalty.

Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate any provision of this Part, upon conviction thereof in an action brought before a magisterial district judge in the manner provided for the enforcement of summary offenses under the Pennsylvania Rules of Criminal Procedure, shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than \$50 nor more than \$1,000 plus costs and, in default of payment of said fine and costs, to a term of imprisonment not to exceed 90 days. Each day that a violation of this Part continues or each Section of this Part which shall be found to have been violated shall constitute a separate offense.

(Ord. 115A, 8/30/1960, §7; as amended by Ord. 2003-8, 11/3/2003, §9; Ord. No. 2005-3, 4/18/2005, §9; and by A.O.

§18-310. Use of Water Meters Required.

All owners of property who are connected with, or are required to connect with, a sanitary sewer in the Township of Sandy are hereby required to use water meters to measure the flow of all water into the building connected to the sewer so that the Township can bill for sewage services based on water usage. The type of meter, and the method of connection, shall be in accordance with rules and regulations adopted, from time to time, by the Sandy Township Board of Supervisors. This section shall not apply to water from a private water well which flows into the building connected to the sewer but does not flow, and is not required by ordinance, law, regulation or otherwise to flow, into the public sanitary sewer system servicing the property, and provided that all changes to

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the meter installation to allow for such a diversion of water prior to the meter be inspected and approved by the Township of Sandy.

(Ord. 115A, 8/30/1960; as added by Ord. 2003-8, 11/3/2003, §11; as amended by Ord. No. 2004-7, 12/20/2004, §1; Ord. No. 2005-3, 4/18/2005, §11)

PART 4

PRIVY VAULTS, CESSPOOLS AND SEPTIC TANKS PROHIBITED

§18-401. The Term “Person” Defined.

The word “person,” as used in this Part shall mean any natural person, association, partnership, firm or corporation. The singular shall include the plural and the masculine shall include the feminine and the neuter.

(Ord. 6/17/1973, 6/17/1973, §1)

§18-402. Privy Vaults, Cesspools and Septic Tanks Prohibited.

No privy vault, cesspool, septic tank or similar receptacle for human excrement or sewage shall hereafter be maintained on any property within the Township, accessible to and whose principal building is within 150 feet from a sanitary sewer located within the Township. Every such privy vault, cesspool, septic tank or similar receptacle not abandoned, cleansed and filled, within 30 days after final enactment of this Part, shall constitute a nuisance, and such nuisance may be abated, or action taken to abate same, by means of all legal remedies available, by the Supervisors of Sandy Township, at the expense of the owner of such property.

(Ord. 6/17/1973, 6/17/1973, §2)

§18-403. Penalties.

Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate any provision of this Part, upon conviction thereof in an action brought before a magisterial district judge in the manner provided for the enforcement of summary offenses under the Pennsylvania Rules of Criminal Procedure, shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than \$1,000 plus costs and, in default of payment of said fine and costs, to a term of imprisonment not to exceed 90 days. Each day that a violation of this Part continues or each Section of this Part which shall be found to have been violated shall constitute a separate offense.

(Ord. 6/17/1973, 6/17/1973, §3; as amended by Ord. 1996-6, 8/21/1996, §1; by Ord. 1997-2, 4/2/1997, §1; and by A.O.

PART 5

HOLDING TANKS

§18-501. Purpose.

The purpose of this Part is to establish procedures for the use and maintenance of holding tanks designed to receive and retain sewage whether from residential or commercial uses and it is hereby declared that the enactment of this Part is necessary for the protection, benefit and preservation of the health, safety and welfare of the inhabitants of this Township.

(Ord. 5/11/1972, 5/11/1972, §1)

§18-502. Definitions.

Unless the context specifically and clearly indicates otherwise, the meaning of terms used in this Part shall be as follows:

HOLDING TANK – a watertight receptacle which receives and retains sewage and is designed and construed to facilitate ultimate disposal of the sewage at another site. Holding tanks, include but are not limited to the following:

CHEMICAL TOILET – a toilet using chemicals that discharge to a holding tank.

RETENTION TANK – a holding tank where sewage is conveyed to it by a water carrying system.

VAULT PIT PRIVY – a holding tank designed to receive sewage where water under pressure is not available.

IMPROVED PROPERTY – any property within the Township upon which there is erected a structure intended for continuous or periodic habitation, occupancy or use by human beings or animals and from which structure sewage shall or may be discharged.

OWNER – any person vested with ownership, legal or equitable, sole or partial, of any property located in the Township.

PERSON – any individual, partnership, company, association, corporation or other group or entity.

SEWAGE – any substance that contains any of the waste products or excrement or other discharge from the bodies of human beings or animals and any noxious or deleterious substance being harmful or inimical to the public health, or to animal or aquatic life or to the use of water for domestic water supply or for recreation.

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(Ord. 5/11/1972, 5/11/1972, §2; as amended by Ord. 1993-14, 7/21/1993, §1)

§18-503. Rights and Privileges Granted.

The Township of Sandy is hereby authorized and empowered to undertake within the Township the control and methods of holding tank sewage disposal and the collection and transportation thereof.

(Ord. 5/11/1972, 5/11/1972, §3; as amended by Ord. 1993-14, 7/21/1993, §1)

§18-504. Rules and Regulations.

The Township of Sandy is hereby authorized and empowered to adopt such rules and regulations concerning sewage which it may deem necessary from time to time to effect the purposes herein.

(Ord. 5/11/1972, 5/11/1972, §4; as amended by Ord. 1993-14, 7/21/1993, §1)

§18-505. Rules and Regulations to be in Conformity With Applicable Law.

All such rules and regulations adopted by the Township of Sandy shall be in conformity with the provisions herein, all other ordinances of the Township, and all applicable laws, and applicable rules and regulations of administrative agencies of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

(Ord. 5/11/1972, 5/11/1972, §5; as amended by Ord. 1993-14, 7/21/1993, §1)

§18-506. Rates and Charges.

The Township of Sandy shall have the right and power to fix, alter, charge and collect rates, assessments, and other charges in the area served by its facilities at reasonable and uniform rates as authorized by applicable law.

(Ord. 5/11/1972, 5/11/1972, §6; as amended by Ord. 1993-14, 7/21/1993, §1)

§18-507. Exclusiveness of Rights and Privileges.

1. The collection and transportation of all sewage from any improved property utilizing a holding tank shall be done solely by or under the direction and control of the Township of Sandy, and the disposal thereof shall be made only at such site or

sites as may be approved by the Department of Environmental Protection of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. [A.O.]

2. The Township of Sandy will receive, review and retain pumping receipts from permitted holding tanks.
3. The Township of Sandy will complete and retain annual inspection reports for each permitted tank, at a fee to be established, from time to time, by resolution of the Board of Supervisors.

(Ord. 5/11/1972, 5/11/1972, §7; as amended by A.O.)

§18-508. Duties of Improved Property Owner.

The owner of an improved property that utilizes a holding tank shall:

- A. Maintain the holding tank in conformance with this or any ordinance of this Township, the provisions of any applicable law, and the rules and regulations of the Township of Sandy and any administrative agency of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
- B. Permit only the Township of Sandy or anyone acting under the direction of the Township of Sandy or approved private contractors to collect, transport, and dispose of the contents therein.

(Ord. 5/11/1972, 5/11/1972, §8; as amended by Ord. 1993-14, 7/21/1993, §1)

§18-509. Approval of Private Contractors.

The Township of Sandy may, in lieu of providing equipment for disposal of holding tank contents, require property owner to show a contract with a private contractor approved by the Township for disposal and transportation. Private contractors may apply to the Township of Sandy for approval and prior to approval must satisfy the Township of Sandy that:

- A. It has the proper and necessary equipment in conformity with Commonwealth and Township law for the pumping, emptying, and transportation of holding tank contents.
- B. That a performance bond or surety in amounts to be determined by the Township of Sandy be filed to insure the performance of the obligations of this Part and private contractors with owners pertaining to ultimate disposal at approved sites.
- C. Pay the fee as the Township of Sandy may from time to time determine for the issuance of said permit.

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(Ord. 5/11/1972, 5/11/1972, §9; as amended by Ord. 1993-14, 7/21/1993, §1)

§18-510. Penalties.

Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate any provision of this Part, upon conviction thereof in an action brought before a magisterial district judge in the manner provided for the enforcement of summary offenses under the Pennsylvania Rules of Criminal Procedure, shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than \$1,000 plus costs and, in default of payment of said fine and costs, to a term of imprisonment not to exceed 90 days. Each day that a violation of this Part continues or each Section of this Part which shall be found to have been violated shall constitute a separate offense.

(Ord. 5/11/1972, 5/11/1972, §10; as amended by Ord. 1996-6, 8/21/1996, §1; by Ord. 1997-2, 4/2/1997, §1; and by A.O.

§18-511. Abatement of Nuisance.

In addition to any other remedies provided in this Part, any violation of §18-108 above shall constitute a nuisance and may be abated by the Township of Sandy by either seeking appropriate equitable or legal relief from a court of competent jurisdiction.

(Ord. 5/11/1972, 5/11/1972, §11; as amended by Ord. 1993-14, 7/21/1993, §1)

PART 6

INDUSTRIAL WASTE PRETREATMENT

§18-601. Adoption.

Sandy Township adopts, in whole, the City of DuBois Industrial Sewer Use Ordinance, No. 1545, as the ordinance governing nondomestic wastewater discharges within the Township.

(Ord. 1995-6, 11/15/1995, §1)

§18-602. Nondomestic Waste.

No person shall contribute, cause to be contributed or discharge any nondomestic wastes to the public sanitary sewage facilities of Sandy Township, except in accordance with the Industrial Sewer Use Ordinance that has been adopted, and may hereafter be amended by the Township.

(Ord. 1995-6, 11/15/1995, §2)

§18-603. Penalties.

Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate any provision of this Part, upon conviction thereof in an action brought before a magisterial district judge in the manner provided for the enforcement of summary offenses under the Pennsylvania Rules of Criminal Procedure, shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than \$1,000 plus costs and, in default of payment of said fine and costs, to a term of imprisonment not to exceed 90 days. Each day that a violation of this Part continues or each Section of this Part which shall be found to have been violated shall constitute a separate offense.

(Ord. 1995-6, 11/15/1995; as added by A.O.)

PART 7
SEWER INSPECTION

§18-701. Title.

This Part shall be known as the “Sandy Township Sewer Inspection Ordinance.”

(Ord. 2001-2, 6/20/2001, §1)

§18-702. Effective Date.

This Part shall take effect 5 days after its enactment.

(Ord. 2001-2, 6/20/2001, §2)

§18-703. Authority and Purpose.

This Part is adopted under authority of the Pennsylvania Sewage Facilities Act, Act No. 537 of 1966, adopted January 24, 1966, P.L. (1965) No. 1535, as amended.

(Ord. 2001-2, 6/20/2001, §3)

§18-704. Definitions.

Words used in this Part shall have the meanings given in this Section. Where a word or term is not defined herein, the definition given in Webster’s Ninth New Collegiate Dictionary shall be used.

BUILDING LATERAL — a sewer line connecting any building to a sanitary sewer system. A building lateral includes all piping and fittings beginning at or in the building and extending to its point of connection to the sanitary sewer system collection lines.

ILLEGAL CONNECTION — any condition on any real property which permits the introduction into the sanitary sewer system of any surface or groundwater not otherwise required to be treated as wastewater. This definition includes, but is not limited to, downspouts, roof drains, sump pumps, floor drains, surface water drains or pipes and leaking, separated or broken building laterals.

PERSON – any person, firm, association, partnership, corporation or the chief executive officer or general manager of any firm.

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REAL PROPERTY – any building or piece or parcel of land on or in which exist facilities connected to a sanitary sewer system.

SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM – any sewage collection and or sewage treatment system operated by Sandy Township.

SANDY TOWNSHIP – the municipality known as the Township of Sandy and located in Clearfield County, Pennsylvania and acting by and through the Board of Supervisors of Sandy Township or any of the Township's agents or authorities having responsibility for maintenance and operation of the sanitary sewer systems.

(Ord. 2001-2, 6/20/2001, §4)

§18-705. Procedure.

Sandy Township may, from time to time, establish districts which will divide the sewered areas of the Township into manageable subareas which will then be systematically tested by smoke testing, video inspection, flow testing or other methods or combination of methods which will identify leaking lines and manholes and illegal connections.

(Ord. 2001-2, 6/20/2001, §5)

§18-706. Additional Inspection Procedures.

When the testing and inspection set forth in §18-705 reveal excessive flows the source of which is not readily identifiable, Sandy Township shall notify the owner(s) of property and/or buildings served by the lines having excessive flows of the need for additional inspection, including entry by Sandy Township personnel onto the property and into any buildings on the property for inspection of building plumbing, downspouts, floor drains, surface water drains and other facilities located on the property. Within 14 days of such notice, the property or building owner shall contact Sandy Township and arrange for such additional inspection by Sandy Township.

(Ord. 2001-2, 6/20/2001, §6)

§18-707. Notification of Illegal Connection.

Upon identification of any illegal connection to a sanitary sewer system, whether the illegal connection is identified by the testing and inspection set forth in §18-705 or by other means, the Township will issue a written notification of illegal connection to the owner of the real property on which the illegal connection was found. The notification will identify the real property and the nature of the malfunction and will specify a date by which corrective measures must be completed.

(Ord. 2001-2, 6/20/2002, §7)

§18-708. Correction and Reinspection.

When the owner of the real property has corrected the violation, he shall notify the Township and make application for reinspection of the building sewer. Applications for reinspection shall be accompanied by an inspection fee, the amount of which shall be established, from time to time, by resolution of the Sandy Township Supervisors. Within 14 days of application for reinspection, the Township shall inspect, using any or all of the above methods, the sanitary sewer system serving the real property. Should the reinspection reveal the same or additional illegal connections, a second notice of illegal connection will be issued. Corrections made as a result of the second notice will require an additional reinspection application and inspection fee.

(Ord. 2001-2, 6/20/2001, §8)

§18-709. Violations.

Any person who is found to be the owner of real property who has been duly notified in writing in accordance with the provisions of §18-706 and who fails to make arrangements for the required additional inspection or the inspection required by §18-706 of this Part within the time specified shall be in violation of this Part. Additionally, any person who is found to be the owner of real property upon which there exists an illegal connection to a sanitary sewage system and who has been duly notified in writing in accordance with the provision of §18-807 and who fails to complete the required corrective actions within the time specified in the notification of violation shall be in violation of this Part.

(Ord. 2001-2, 6/20/2001, §9)

§18-710. Penalties.

Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate an provision of this Part, upon conviction thereof in an action brought before a magisterial district judge in the manner provided for the enforcement of summary offenses under the Pennsylvania Rules of Criminal procedure, shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than \$1,000 plus costs and, in default of payment of said fine and costs, to a term of imprisonment not to exceed 90 days. Each day that a violation of this Part continues or each Section of this Part which shall be found to have been violated shall constitute a separate offense.

(Ord. 2001-2, 6/20/2001, §10; as amended by A.O.)

PART 8

INTERCEPTORS AND GREASE TRAPS

§18-801. Title.

This Part shall be known as the “Sandy Township Interceptor and Grease Trap Ordinance.”

(Ord. 2001-4, 9/5/2001, §1)

§18-802. Effective Date.

This Part shall take effect 5 days after its enactment.

(Ord. 2001-4, 9/5/2001, §2)

§18-803. Definitions.

BUILDING LATERAL – a sewer line connecting any building to a sanitary sewer system. A building lateral includes all piping and fittings beginning at or in the building and extending to its point of connection to the sanitary sewer system collection lines.

PERSON – any person, firm, association, partnership, corporation or the chief executive officer or general manager of any firm.

SANDY TOWNSHIP — the municipality known as the Township of Sandy and located in Clearfield County, Pennsylvania and acting by and through the Board of Supervisors of Sandy Township or any of the Township’s agents or authorities having responsibility for maintenance and operation of the sanitary sewer systems.

SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM — any sewage collection and or sewage treatment system operated by Sandy Township.

(Ord. 2001-4, 9/5/2001, §3)

§18-804. Interceptors and Separators Required.

1. Interceptors and separators for oil, grease, sand and other substances shall be provided by the property owner or operator upon notice by Sandy Township that such interceptor or separator is necessary for the proper handling of liquid wastes

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containing grease in excessive amounts or any flammable wastes, sand or other harmful ingredients which might otherwise enter into the sanitary sewer system.

2. A food grease interceptor shall be required to receive the drainage from fixtures and equipment with grease laden waste located in food preparation areas, such as in restaurants, hot kitchens, bars, factory cafeterias, clubs and other institutions with large volumes of kitchen wastewater. Food waste grinders shall not discharge to the sanitary sewer system through a grease interceptor.
3. Sediment interceptors for sand and other heavy solids shall be required at any business, factory or institution where sand or sediment may be washed into the sanitary sewer system. The sediment interceptors shall be installed to remove any such sand or sediment from the waste stream prior to discharge to building lateral.
4. Commercial laundries shall be equipped with an interceptor with a wire basket or similar devices, removable for cleaning. Such interceptors shall be installed to prevent passage of solids 1/2 inch or larger in size, string, rags, buttons or other materials detrimental to the sanitary sewer system.
5. At repair garages, gasoline stations with grease racks, grease pits or work racks and at factories where oily and flammable liquid wastes are produced, separators shall be installed into which all oil bearing, grease bearing or flammable waste bearing drains shall be discharged before emptying into the sanitary sewer system. Such separators shall be installed to prevent discharge of oil, grease or flammable liquids into building lateral.

(Ord. 2001-4, 9/5/2001, §4)

§18-805. Size, Type and Location to be Reviewed.

1. The size, type and location of each interceptor and of each separator shall be reviewed by the Township Engineer or authorized person prior to installation.
2. All interceptors and separators shall be located as to be readily and easily accessible for cleaning and inspection. Interceptors and separators shall be constructed of impervious materials capable of withstanding abrupt and extreme change in temperature. They shall be of substantial construction, watertight and equipped with easily removable covers.
3. Food grease interceptors shall be two compartment in ground units as per EPA design manual. The minimum size for a food grease interceptor shall be 750 gallons total liquid capacity. Larger food grease interceptors may be required based on the estimated flows from fixtures connected to the interceptor. Other interceptors and separators for oil, grease and flammable liquids and interceptors for sediment shall be sized to accommodate estimated flows using accepted engineer-

ing principles. Oil and grease separators shall be designed to limit discharge of oil, grease and flammable liquids to 100 ppm, if possible.

(Ord. 2001-4, 9/5/2001, §5)

§18-806. Exceptions.

There shall be no exceptions to the requirements of this Part other than as provided in this Section.

- A. Individual Dwelling Units. Interceptors and separators are not required for individual dwelling units or private living quarters.
- B. Undue Hardships. Restaurants, hotel kitchens, bars, factory cafeterias, clubs and other institutions with large volumes of kitchen wastewater which were established prior to the enactment of this Part and which are located with a shopping plaza, mall or other location making separation of kitchen waste impractical may be permitted relief from the size and type requirements specified in this Part. Relief shall be granted only after determination by the Township Engineer that installation of the standard size and type interceptor would cause undue hardship to the owner or operator of the building or business. Undue hardship shall not be interpreted to include typical plumbing changes within basement areas, crawl spaces or within the buildings where extensive disruption of the finished floors or structure is not required. Additionally, undue hardship shall not be interpreted to include any excavation of landscaped or paved areas outside of the building walls. Owners wishing to be considered for relief under this Section shall submit a written request for relief. The request shall be accompanied by drawings and details of the building supporting their request and specifications and details of the type of grease interceptor they are requesting.

(Ord. 2001-4, 9/5/2001, §6)

§18-807. Venting of Interceptors and Separators.

Interceptors and separators shall be designed so as to not become air-bound if tight covers are used. Each interceptor or separator shall be vented when subject to loss of trap seal.

(Ord. 2001-4, 9/5/2001, §7)

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§18-808. Drawings of Interceptors and Separators.

Before installing interceptors and separators a drawing, including all pertinent information, shall be submitted to the Township Engineer or authorized person for review and comment.

(Ord. 2001-4, 9/5/2001, §8)

§18-809. All Interceptors and Separators to Follow Type Approved.

An interceptor or separator shall not be hereinafter installed which does not comply, in all respects, with the type or size thereof reviewed and approved by the Township Engineer.

(Ord. 2001-4, 9/5/2001, §9)

§18-810. Maintenance of Interceptors and Separators.

1. Where installed, all interceptors and separators required by this Part shall be maintained by the owner, at his expense, in continuously efficient operation. Interceptors and separators must be operated properly and cleaned regularly to prevent the escape of appreciable quantities of grease, oil, flammable liquids or sediments.
2. Initially, the frequency of cleaning for food grease interceptors shall be once every 3 months. If after 1 year, adequate data to support extended cleaning frequencies is provided to the Township, the required frequency of cleaning, at any given installation, will be determined based on observation of the collection system and the data provided. Minimally, cleaning shall be done when 75% of the grease retention capacity has been reached. Additionally, cleaning frequencies shall not be extended to require less than one cleaning per year.

(Ord. 2001-4, 9/5/2002, §10)

§18-811. Record Keeping and Reporting Requirements.

1. Each person required to install any interceptor or separator shall submit to the Township, every 6 months, a report consisting of the cleaning and inspection records showing when the interceptor or separator was cleaned and inspected since the previous report. Reports for each 6 month period will be due at the office of the Sandy Township Supervisors by the 30th day of June and the 31st day of December each year.
2. The owner or operator of each restaurant or other commercial or institutional facility required to install a food grease interceptor in accordance with the provision

of this Part shall maintain records of maintenance and inspections performed. The records shall include dated inspection and maintenance reports completed by qualified septage haulers showing when the interceptor was cleaned and inspected, the total hydraulic capacity of the interceptor, the total grease retention capacity of the interceptor, the total volume removed from the interceptor, the estimated volume of grease removed from the interceptor, the condition of the interceptor, including existence of a baffle between the two compartments, the existence of an outlet baffle and the general condition of the tank and piping. Inspection and maintenance reports for food grease interceptors must be on the standard form supplied by Sandy Township.

3. Oil and flammable liquid separators shall discharge into holding tanks which will be maintained and cleaned, as required by this Part. Minimally, such interceptors and holding tanks shall be inspected every 3 months and any time a spill occurs which may cause discharge to the holding tank. Minimally, the holding tank shall be emptied when 75% of the capacity has been reached. Records shall be maintained showing dates of inspection and cleaning, the total storage capacity of the holding tank, the amount of oil or flammable liquid removed from the holding tank when emptied and the condition of the tank and interceptor. Inspection and maintenance reports for oil or flammable liquid separators must be on the standard form supplied by Sandy Township.
4. Interceptors for sediment shall be maintained and cleaned, as required by this Part. As a minimum, such interceptors shall be inspected every 3 months. Records shall be maintained showing dates of inspection and cleaning, the total storage capacity of the interceptor, the amount of sand or sediment in the interceptor when inspected, the amount of sand or sediment removed from the interceptor when cleaned and the condition of the interceptor. Inspection and maintenance reports for sediment interceptors must be on the standard form supplied by Sandy Township.
5. Interceptors for laundries shall be maintained and cleaned, as required by this Part. As a minimum, such interceptors shall be inspected every 3 months.

(Ord. 2001-4, 9/5/2001, §11)

§18-812. Disposal of Material.

Materials removed from interceptors and separators are to be disposed of under existing State laws and regulations.

(Ord. 2001-4, 9/5/2001, §12)

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§18-813. Time Table to Come Into Compliance.

All establishments will have 1 year to come into compliance; plans to be submitted within 6 months and construction within 1 year.

(Ord. 2001-4, 9/5/2001, §13)