



# GEORGIA

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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Ms. Betty L. Godwin  
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RE: Permit Issuance  
Pretreatment Permit GAP050028  
Cairo, Grady County

Dear Ms. Godwin:

Thank you for your comments concerning the application submitted by Koyo Bearings USA LLC for the reissuance of the industrial pretreatment permit. The Environmental Protection Division (EPD) has performed a detailed technical review and has carefully considered the comments received by EPD during the public comment period for the draft permit.

Your comment has been noted and much appreciated. EPD has determined that the permit meets all necessary requirements and is protective of the environment. Therefore, EPD has issued the permit.

We appreciate your interest in this matter and your continuing support for Georgia's environmental programs.

Sincerely,

Jeff Larson, Assistant Branch Chief  
Watershed Protection Branch

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Attachment: Final Permit and Factsheet

cc: EPD Industrial Compliance Unit – Sarita Banjade (via e-mail)

**EPD Response to Comments on Draft Pretreatment Permit  
Koyo Bearings USA LLC – GAP050028**

COMMENTS RECEIVED	EPD RESPONSE
<p>I object to the reissuance of an industrial pretreatment permit to Koyo Bearings in Cairo, Georgia. I was not aware that 69,000 gallons per day of pretreated process waste is being discharged to the City of Cairo's WPCP in the Ochlocknee River Basin.</p> <p>Every time it rains, the Cairo's sewerage system overflows to Parker Mill Creek. Because of the damage done to my property by Grady County Government and the State of Georgia, the overflows back up on my property, even in my front yard. Additionally, the backups are eroding my property extensively and adversely affected wildlife. Nothing is ever done, with only an add being placed in the newspaper stating that nothing can be done for many years. I am tired of this and of having raw sewerage in my front yard. If the City of Cairo wants to accept wastewater from Koyo, let Cairo send its sewerage somewhere other than Parker Mill Creek and on my property. Neither the City of Cairo nor the Grady County Government seems to have any concerns about the property of citizens and the ecological systems of the County.</p>	<p>EPD is aware of the sewer spills in the City of Cairo due to inflow and infiltration of the sewer system primarily as a result of rainfall events. The City has reported 7 spills from June 2014 to present. EPD has taken enforcement actions against the City of Cairo in 2015 and 2016 requiring corrective actions. The City is required to perform an inflow and infiltration evaluation and make point repairs as they are identified. EPD is continuing its oversight to ensure the City updates and fixes the sewer system to eliminate the sewer spills.</p> <p>EPD has evaluated the submitted permit application and supporting documentation and based on our review, the City of Cairo has the hydraulic capacity to receive the wastewater from the permittee. The proposed draft industrial pretreatment permit has been written in accordance with the applicable Federal and State regulations ensuring the permit is legal, enforceable and protective of the wastewater treatment facility and the environment.</p>