

**UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
REGION 1**

**Date of Notice: March 11, 2021**

**Public Notice Number: PN-2021-0007**

**Comment Period: 3/12/2021 – 4/12/2021**

**Action:** Notice of Proposed Assessment of Class I Clean Water Act Section 309(g)(2)(A) Administrative Penalties and Opportunity to Comment

Under Section 309(g) of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g), EPA is authorized to assess a civil penalty after providing the person subject to the penalty, notice of the proposed penalty and the opportunity for a hearing, and after providing interested persons public notice of the proposed penalty and a reasonable opportunity to comment on its issuance. In Class I proceedings under Section 309(g)(2)(A), any person who violates certain provisions of the Clean Water Act may be administratively assessed a civil penalty of up to \$22,584 per day per violation for each day during which the violation continued, up to a maximum penalty of \$56,460. Proceedings are conducted in accordance with the "Consolidated Rules of Practice Governing the Administrative Assessment of Civil Penalties and the Revocation or Suspension of Permits," at 40 C.F.R. Part 22 ("Part 22").

The procedures by which the public may submit written comments on a proposed penalty order or participate in a penalty proceeding are set forth in Part 22. The deadline for submitting public comment on a proposed penalty order is thirty (30) days after issuance of public notice.

Pursuant to Section 309(g), EPA is providing public notice of the following proposed administrative penalty assessment:

**Name of Case:** *In the Matter of: Patriot Stevedoring & Logistics, LLC*

**Name and Mailing Address of Respondent:**

Patriot Stevedoring & Logistics, LLC  
Attn: Michael J. O'Neill, Esq.  
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**Name and Address of Facility or Site Addressed by Agreement:**

1 Brayton Point Road in Somerset, MA 02725

**Description of Business or Activity Conducted by Respondent:**

Patriot Stevedoring & Logistics, LLC (Respondent) is the owner and operator of a stevedoring business. It is a lease holder at the 1 Brayton Point Road, Somerset, MA port site.

**Description of Violation(s) Alleged in Agreement:**

Respondent discharged scrap metal during loading operations between February and October 2020, into the Taunton River (Mt. Hope Bay), without authorization of a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit, in violation of Section 301(a) of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1311(a).

**Proposed Settlement Penalty:** \$27,000

**Docket Number:** CWA-01-2021-0031

**Date Filed with Regional Hearing Clerk:** N/A

**Name, Mailing Address, and Telephone Number of Regional Hearing Clerk:**

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Regional Hearing Clerk  
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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:** Copies of Part 22 can be found at:

<https://ecfr.io/Title-40/Part-22>. Persons wishing to review the proposed agreement or other documents filed by the parties in this proceeding, comment upon the proposed penalty

assessment, or participate in any hearing that may be held, should contact the Regional Hearing Clerk identified above. Due to COVID-19, documents in the public record for the proceeding will be provided electronically upon request.

Because this matter involves a CWA Section 309(g) proceeding that is proposed to be simultaneously commenced and settled under 40 C.F.R. § 22.13(b), this matter will not be resolved or settled until ten (10) days after the close of the public comment period in accordance with 40 C.F.R. § 22.45(b) and (c).