



CITY OF SOUTH BEND

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

July 7, 2026

Board of Public Works
City Hall
215 S. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd
South Bend IN 46601

RE: Renewal of Industrial Wastewater Discharge Permit

The Division of Wastewater Industrial Pretreatment Group recommends approving the renewal of the Industrial Discharge Permit for Vestis Services, LLC formerly known as Aramark Uniform & Career Apparel, LLC at the July 14, 2026, Board of Public Works Meeting.

Vestis Services, LLC (Vestis) is classified as a Significant Industrial User (SIU) as defined in the South Bend Municipal Code. Vestis' requirements were reviewed for necessary changes to ensure the industry permit remains legally substantiated. After reviewing the applicable requirements, historical data, pollutant limitations, and monitoring frequencies, changes have been made to the permit. Specifically, the monitoring frequency for Total Oil and Grease has been increased from a monthly requirement to a weekly requirement.

If you should have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at (574) 235-5798, or at sshane@southbendin.gov.

Please let me know if I need to attend the Board Meeting to present this permit.

Sincerely,

Serena Lozano-Shane

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Enclosure(s)

- Industrial Discharge Permit Board of Public Works Signature Page, Permit Briefing Memo, -
Agenda Request Form

PERMIT BRIEFING MEMO

1. Facility Description

Vestis Services, LLC engages in the laundering of garments, linens, and towels.

2. Discharge description:

Discharge is total flow and includes treated and untreated process water as well as domestic wastewater. Discharge commences at 06:00am when the wastewater treatment system is turned on. The equalization tank can hold a day's worth of wastewater if necessary and the discharge can be controlled to flow until the tank is empty or until it becomes necessary to turn it off at any time of day. Discharge stops at approximately 4:30pm.

Twelve-month average process flow is **106,234 gpd**, with a maximum reported daily discharge of **203,884 gpd**.

3. Sample Site Description

Sample Site Outfall # 276 is located in a control manhole in the front lawn (southeast of the main entrance) of Vestis' building. The control manhole has a fiberglass door and is wide and shallow. Do not enter the control manhole without a confined space entry permit.

4. Wastewater Treatment

Wastewater treatment at Vestis' South Bend Indiana facility consists of screening, heat reclamation, equalization, chemical precipitation and dissolved air floatation. All process wastewater generated by the facility, including wastewater historically classified as both gray water and black water, is currently directed through the wastewater pretreatment system prior to discharge to the sanitary sewer. The facility treats 100% of both gray water and black water through the wastewater pretreatment system. Gray water refers to the final rinse from the washers. Black water consists of the initial washer discharge and early rinse waters.

Wastewater gravity flows into holding basins and is pumped through a vibratory shaker screen to remove lint and coarse solids and then is pumped through a heat reclaimer to transfer residual heat to incoming fresh water and is discharged into an 80,000-gallon equalization tank. The equalization tank is operated by a level control device that starts and stops the system at predetermined setpoints. Additionally, the system is equipped with two high-level alarms: the first alarm is notification that the tank is approaching an overflow condition; the second alarm is notification overflow is imminent and the freshwater to the wash floor is automatically shut down to prevent overflow. From the equalization tank, the wastewater is pumped through a chemical mixing tube bundle where coagulant, ferric chloride and flocculant are injected as treatment chemistry. These treatment steps also facilitate metal removal by promoting the precipitation and separation of suspended materials. The chemically treated wastewater enters the clarifier where dissolved air floats solids to the surface for skimming. The treated, solids-free wastewater then exits the clarifier, and gravity flows to the municipal sewer system control manhole for monitoring. The skimmed solids are held in two sludge storage tanks prior to being hauled for off-site disposal.

5. Classification

Vestis Services, LLCs, Inc. is classified as a Significant Industrial User (SIU) as defined in the South Bend Municipal Code. Vestis Services, LLCs, Inc. is classified as an A industry per the City's Industrial Pretreatment Program due to their discharge of > 100,000 gpd.

6. Calculation of Limits

Discharge limits are applied from the South Bend Municipal Code to Vestis' total facility effluent.

7. Monitoring Frequency

Monitoring frequencies are based South Bend's USEPA approved Industrial Pretreatment Program Monitoring Plan.

8. Industrial Operator Certification Requirement

Industrial Operator Requirement: C

Industrial operator certification requirements are based on the criteria listed in Indiana Administrative Code, Title 327, 5-22-5.

Permit Revised by:
City of South Bend
Industrial Pretreatment Group
6/2/2026

City of South Bend
Department of Public Works
Industrial Pretreatment Program

Significant Industrial User – Permit No. 160589-88130

In accordance with all the terms of Chapter 17 of the City of South Bend's Municipal Code, and with any applicable provisions of federal or state law and regulations, permission is hereby granted to:

Vestis Services, LLC.
3701 Progress Drive
South Bend IN 46628

for the contribution of wastewater into the City of South Bend Publicly Owned Treatment Works.

This permit is granted in accordance with the application filed on 13 April 2026.

Effective on: 12 August, 2026

Expires on the: 11 August, 2031

Any violation of the terms and conditions of this permit shall be deemed a violation of the City of South Bend Municipal Code and will subject the permittee to the sanctions set out in section 17-11 through 17-13 of the Municipal Code.

The permittee shall file an application for a renewal permit, a minimum of 90 days prior to the expiration date.

Approved By: Board of Public Works

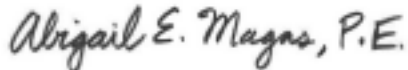
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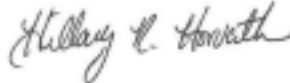
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Attest: Hillary R. Horvath, Clerk

Date: July 14, 2026

PART II - MONITORING REQUIRMENTS

A. Monitoring Frequency

1. The following parameters shall be monitored at the frequency and with the sampling type stated below. All measurements, tests, and analyses of the characteristics of water and wastes to which reference is made in this permit shall be conducted using the methods and procedures approved in 40 CFR 136 and amendments thereto, unless otherwise specified in an applicable Categorical Pretreatment Standard.

The following parameters shall be monitored at Sample Site Outfall # 276 with the methods and at the frequency stated below:

Parameter	Sampling Frequency	Sampling Type
Flow, total (gpd)	Daily	Continuously
Flow Monthly (gal)	Monthly	Continuously
BOD5 (mg/L)	Monthly	Composite
Oil and grease (mg/l)	Weekly	Grab
Oil and Grease TPH (mg/l)	Monthly	Grab
pH (SU)	Monthly	Grab
Phosphorus (mg/l)	Monthly	Composite
TSS (mg/l)	Monthly	Composite
Copper (mg/L)	Quarterly	Composite
Lead (mg/L)	Quarterly	Composite
Zinc (mg/L)	Quarterly	Composite
Ammonia, nitrogen (mg/l)	SemiAnnual	Composite
Arsenic (mg/L)	SemiAnnual	Composite
Cadmium (mg/L)	SemiAnnual	Composite
Chromium (mg/L)	SemiAnnual	Composite
Mercury (mg/l)	SemiAnnual	Grab
Nickel (mg/L)	SemiAnnual	Composite
Silver (mg/l)	SemiAnnual	Composite

See Flow Measurement Requirements referenced in Part III - Reporting Requirements.

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AGENDA ITEM REVIEW REQUEST FORM

Date	<u>6/30/2026</u>		
Name	<u>Serena Lozano-Shane</u>	Department	UTILITIES
BPW Date	<u>7/14/2026</u>	Phone Extension	5798

Review and Approval Required Prior to Submittal to Board

Diversity Compliance and Inclusion Officer	☐	Officer Name	_____
BPW Attorney	☐	Attorney Name	_____
Dept. Attorney	☐	Attorney Name	_____
Purchasing	☐	_____	

Check the Appropriate Item Type – *Required for All Submissions*

☐ Professional Services Agreement	☐ Contract	☐ Proposal
☐ Open Market Contract	☐ Amendment/Addendum	☐ Special Purchase, QPA
☐ Bid Opening	☐ Bid Award	☐ Req. to Advertise
☐ Quote Opening	☐ Quote Award	☐ Reject Bids/Quotes
☐ Proposal Opening	☐ C/O & PCA No. _____	☐ PCA
☐ Chg. Order, No. _____	☐ Traffic Control	☐ Resolution
☒ Other: VESTIS Industrial Discharge Permit RENEWAL		

Required Information

Company or Vendor Name		☐ Yes ☐ If Yes, Approved by Purchasing	
New Vendor		☐ No	
MBE/WBE Contractor	☐ MBE ☐ WBE	Completed E-Verify Form Attached	☐ Yes ☐ No
Project Name			
Project Number			
Funding Source			
Account No.			
Amount			
Terms of Contract			
Purpose/Description			

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