

MDC FATS, OIL AND GREASE (FOG) PROGRAM FEES

Annual Fee

An **annual fee of \$50.00** will be billed to each of the Class III and IV Food Preparation Establishments (FPEs) in the Metropolitan District. This fee is associated with the review and approval of facility registration forms as well as inspections. The Annual Fee invoice will be mailed and payment is due within 30 days of the issuance of the invoice.

New Establishment/ Change of Ownership/ Renovation/ Re-Registration/ Variance Fee

In addition to the annual \$50.00 fee, a **fee of \$50.00** will be billed to any FPE if one or more of the following conditions apply to the establishment:

- A new FPE (registration must occur prior to opening); or
- An existing FPE under operation of a new owner; or
- An existing FPE with renovations exceeding \$20,000 in any one calendar year; or
- An existing FPE with renovations exceeding a cumulative total of \$40,000 between September 30, 2005 and July 1, 2011; or
- Re-registration of an approved FPE due to the expiration of the current Registration Approval. Re-registration for a previously approved FPE must be submitted 30-days prior to the expiration date of the current approval; or
- Application for Variance of the treatment requirements described in the Department of Environmental Protection's (DEP) *General Permit for the Discharge of Wastewater Associated With Food Preparation Establishments*.

These fees are associated with the review and approval of the FPE registration or variance application and recordkeeping. The fee must be submitted along with the Registration Form or Variance Application. Upon reaching compliance with the General Permit a letter of approval will be sent to the FPE indicating the expiration date of the approval. FPE registration or variance will expire three years after the issuance date. The FPE shall submit a Registration or Variance Application form 30-days prior to the expiration of the FPE's current registration.

Inspections Violation Fees

The MDC will perform inspections of the FPEs to determine compliance with the Department of Environmental Protection's (DEP) *General Permit for the Discharge of Wastewater Associated With Food Preparation Establishments*. Each day that a violation continues shall be a separate occurrence of the violation according to section S15 of the MDC Sewer Ordinances. The Inspection Violation Fees are as follows:

- \$50.00 fee for failure to maintain recordkeeping and monitoring requirements in accordance with the *General Permit*;
- \$50.00 fee for failure to register or notify the MDC of a change of ownership;
- \$100.00 fee for failure to properly operate the discharge FOG treatment equipment in accordance with the *General Permit*; and
- \$100.00 fee for improper disposal of FOG collected from the treatment equipment.

The payment of the fee will be required 30 days following issuance of the notice of violation invoice.

Emergency Call Out Fees

The MDC will perform emergency call outs to relieve grease blockages that result in sewer backups. If MDC determines that the grease problems in the sewer infrastructure were a result of the FPE, the establishment will be billed for the work performed by the MDC to relieve the blockage. The payment of the fee will be due within 30 days of the issuance of the invoice.