

# Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

Division of Ecological and Water Resources  
1200 Warner Road  
Saint Paul, MN 55106-6793



March 22, 2013

Rick Pertile  
General Mills, Inc.  
One General Mills Boulevard  
Golden Valley, MN 55426

RE: Appropriation Permit, #2007-0210, Ground Water, Hennepin County

Dear Mr. Pertile:

Enclosed is amended Appropriation Permit #2007-0210 authorizing seasonal appropriation of groundwater for landscape irrigation. Your permit has been amended to reflect seasonal irrigation of 1"/acre/week or 33.5 million gallons per year.

Please read all permit conditions and limitations. As a condition of this permit you are required to install a meter to record monthly and total volumes of water appropriated annually within 10% accuracy. Water used must be reported and fees paid by February 15 each year. The report and fee must be submitted as long as the permit is active even if no water is used. Failure to report water use and pay fees can result in the termination of your permit. DNR is transitioning to an electronic reporting system and you will be notified with instructions on using this new online system to report and pay fees.

If you have any questions regarding your permit, please contact me at 651-259-5753.

Sincerely,

Kate Drewry  
North Metro Area Hydrologist

Enclosure

C: City of Golden Valley, Jeff Oliver  
Hennepin Conservation District, Stacey Lijewski  
Bassett Creek Watershed Management Organization  
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# AMENDED WATER APPROPRIATION PERMIT

PERMIT NUMBER  
**2007-0210**

COUNTY  
**HENNEPIN (27)**

**THIS AMENDED PERMIT SUPERSEDES THE ORIGINAL PERMIT AND ALL PREVIOUS AMENDMENTS**  
IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION FOR APPROPRIATION OF WATERS OF THE STATE, PERMISSION IS HEREBY GRANTED TO:

PERMITTEE	Authorized Agent	
General Mills, Inc	Rick Pertile, Building Operations Coordinator	
Address		
One General Mills Boulevard, Golden Valley, Minnesota 55426		Phone: (763) 764-5590
To appropriate from:		
To Appropriate:		
One Well (Well No. 2): 16 inch diameter, 465 feet deep, 950 gpm, Unique # 224099		
Point of Taking: SE¼ SW¼ NW¼, Section 6, Township 117 North, Range 21 West		
UTM Zone 15; Easting 468567, Northing 4980282		
Purpose:		
Seasonal irrigation of approximately 47.5 acres of General Mills, Inc. grounds and landscaping on a seasonal basis between April 15 and October 15 each year.		
Use Code (283) Landscape Irrigation		
Property described as:		
Part of NW¼ Section 6, Township 117 North, Range 21 West		
Mississippi Metro Watershed (20)		
Authorized Signature	Title	Date
Kate Drewry 	Area Hydrologist	3/22/2013

This permit is granted subject to the following **CONDITIONS**:

**1. QUANTITY:**

The Permittee is authorized to appropriate water at a rate not to exceed **950** gallons per minute. The total amount of water appropriated shall not exceed **33.5** million gallons per year.

**2. LIMITATIONS:**

- (a) Any violation of the terms and provisions of this permit and any appropriation of the waters of the state in excess of that authorized hereon shall constitute a violation of Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 103.
- (b) This permit shall not be construed as establishing any priority of appropriation of waters of the state.
- (c) This permit is permissive only. No liability shall be imposed upon or incurred by the State of Minnesota or any of its employees, on account of the granting hereof or on account of any damage to any person or property resulting from any act or omission of the Permittee relating to any matter hereunder. This permit shall not be construed as estopping or limiting any legal claims or right of action of any person other than the state against the Permittee, for any damage or injury resulting from any such act or omission, or as estopping or limiting any legal claim or right of action of the state against the Permittee, for violation of or failure to comply with the provisions of the permit or applicable provisions of law.
- (d) In all cases where the doing by the Permittee of anything authorized by this permit shall involve the taking, using, or damaging of any property, rights or interests of any other person or persons, or of any publicly owned lands or improvements thereon or interests therein, the Permittee, before proceeding therewith, shall obtain the written consent of all persons, agencies, or authorities concerned, and shall acquire all property, rights, and interests necessary therefore.
- (e) This permit shall not release the Permittee from any other permit requirements or liability or obligation imposed by Minnesota Statutes, Federal Law, or local ordinances relating thereto and shall remain in force subject to all conditions and limitations now or hereafter imposed by law.
- (f) Unless explicitly specified, this permit does not authorize any alterations of the beds or banks of any public (protected) waters or wetlands. A separate permit must be obtained from the Department of Natural Resources prior to any such alteration.

**(over, please)**

**3. PERMITTEE'S RESPONSIBILITIES:**

**(a) FLOW METER.**

The Permittee shall equip each installation for appropriating or using water with a flow meter, unless another method of measuring the quantity of water appropriated to within ten (10) percent of actual amount withdrawn is approved by the Department.

**(b) REPORTS.**

Monthly records of the amount of water appropriated or used shall be recorded for each installation. Such readings and the total amount of water appropriated or used shall be reported annually to the Director of DNR Waters, on or before February 15 of the following year, upon forms supplied by the Division. Any processing fee required by law or rule shall be submitted with the records whether or not any water was appropriated during the year. Failure to report shall be sufficient cause for terminating the permit 30 days following written notice.

**(c) TRANSFER OR ASSIGNMENT.**

Any transfer or assignment of rights, or sale of property involved hereunder shall be reported within 90 days thereafter to the Director of DNR Waters. Such notice shall be made by the transferee (i.e., new owner) and shall state the intention to continue the appropriation as stated in the permit. This permit shall not be transferred or assigned except with the written consent of the Commissioner.

**(d) MODIFICATION.**

The Permittee must notify the Commissioner in writing of any proposed changes to the existing permit. This permit shall not be modified without first obtaining the written permission from the Commissioner.

**4. COMMISSIONER'S AUTHORITY:**

(a) The Commissioner may inspect any installation utilized for the appropriation or use of water. The Permittee shall grant access to the site at all reasonable times and shall supply such information concerning such installation as the Commissioner may require.

(b) The Commissioner may, as he/she deems necessary, require the Permittee to install gages and/or observation wells to monitor the impact of the Permittee's appropriation on the water resource and require the Permittee to pay necessary costs of installation and maintenance.

(c) The Commissioner may restrict, suspend, amend, or cancel this permit in accordance with applicable laws and rules for any cause for the protection of public interests, or for violation of the provisions of this permit.

**5. PUBLIC RECORD:**

All data, facts, plans, maps, applications, annual water use reports, and any additional information submitted as part of this permit, and this permit itself are part of the public record and are available for public inspection at the offices of DNR Waters. The information contained therein may be used by the Division, as it deems necessary. The submission of false data, statements, reports, or any such additional information, at any time shall be deemed as just grounds for revocation of this permit.

**6. WETLAND CONSERVATION ACT:**

Where the work authorized by this permit involves the draining or filling of wetlands not subject to DNR regulations, the permittee shall not initiate any appropriation under this permit until the permittee has obtained official approval from the responsible governmental unit as required by the Minnesota Wetland Conservation Act.

**7. CONSERVATION :**

All practical and feasible water conservation methods and practices must be employed to promote sound water management and use the least amount of water necessary, such as reuse and recycling, water saving devices, and water storage.

**8. RAIN SENSOR SHUTOFF:**

All automatically operated landscape irrigation systems must be equipped with rain sensors that inhibit or interrupt operation of the irrigation system during periods of sufficient moisture (Minnesota Statutes 103G.298).

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