

Congratulations! You have successfully graduated from Western Michigan University, and you have just been hired at the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality. Your boss comes in to tell you that the Happy Town Cookie Factory, a subsidiary of Widgets International, is applying for a permit so that they can continue to discharge wastewater from their main facility in Happy Town, USA. Your boss lets you know that there has been some concern in the local community regarding this discharge permit. She would like for you to carefully evaluate the claims of the community members and of the Happy Town Cookie Factory and to provide her with a recommendation regarding whether or not to reissue the discharge permit. You may only refer to the documents she has given you (see attached). You must provide a clear rationale for your decision to approve or deny the permit based on these documents.