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April 1, 2016

Kelly W. Clark
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300 Elliot Avenue West
Seattle, WA 98119

ADEC File Number 920.45.055

Re: **Authorization to Discharge 2013DB0004-0023, Nieuw Amsterdam**

Dear Ms. Clark:

The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) authorizes operation of the *Nieuw Amsterdam* under the Large Commercial Passenger Vessel Wastewater Discharge General Permit No 2013DB0004 (hereinafter 2014 GP), and has issued the enclosed Authorization 2013DB0004-0023.

DEC reviewed your Notice of Intent (NOI) that Holland America Group submitted on March 23rd, 2016. Based upon that review, DEC authorized the *Nieuw Amsterdam* for underway discharge of treated wastewater into Alaska marine waters. The *Nieuw Amsterdam* must take samples and meet the effluent limits found in Tables 3 and 5 of the 2014 GP. All other permit conditions and deadlines must be met. Any changes made to the wastewater treatment installation or sampling port must be reported in an updated Vessel Specific Sampling Plan (VSSP) prior to sampling.

Any person who disagrees with this decision may request an adjudicatory hearing in accordance with 18 AAC 15.195 - 18 AAC 15.340 or an informal review by the Division Director in accordance with 18 AAC 15.185. Informal review requests must be delivered to the Director of Water, 410 Willoughby Ave., Suite 303, P.O. Box 111800, Juneau, Alaska 99811-1800, within 15 days of receipt of the permit decision. Adjudicatory hearing requests must be delivered to the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Conservation, 410 Willoughby Ave., Suite 303, P.O. Box 111800, Juneau, Alaska 99811-1800, within 30 days from the date of the permit decision. If a hearing is not requested within 30 days, the right to appeal is waived.

If you have any technical questions concerning this authorization, please contact me at ben.white@alaska.gov or (907) 465-5320.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ben White".

Ben White
CPVEC (Cruise Ship) Program Manager

Enclosure: Authorization 2013DB0004-0023



AUTHORIZATION TO DISCHARGE

Alaska Department of
Environmental
Conservation
Division of Water
CPVEC Program

AUTHORIZATION TO DISCHARGE UNDER THE LARGE COMMERCIAL PASSENGER
VESSEL WASTEWATER DISCHARGE GENERAL PERMIT NO. 2013DB0004

FACILITY ASSIGNED AUTHORIZATION NUMBER: 2013DB0004-0023

GENERAL PERMIT NUMBER: 2013DB0004

See this General Permit for all permit requirements.

The following facility is authorized to discharge in accordance with the terms of the State of Alaska General Permit 2013DB0004 and any specific requirements listed in this authorization.

The authorization effective date is **April 1, 2016**.

The authorization to discharge shall expire at midnight, **on the expiration or termination date of General Permit 2013DB0004 (August 28, 2019)** unless notified by the Department.

The permittee must reapply for an authorization when the Department issues a General Permit that replaces 2013DB0004 if the permittee intends to continue operations and discharges from the facility.

SECTION 1 - RESPONSIBLE PARTY INFORMATION

Issued to:	Holland America Group
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SECTION 2 - FACILITY INFORMATION

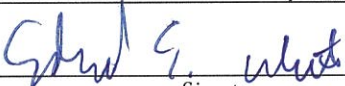
ADEC File Number:	920.45.055
Authorization Number	2013DB0004-0023
Facility Name:	Nieuw Amsterdam
Type of Facility	Large Commercial Passenger Vessel
Type of Wastewater Authorized for Discharge:	Treated mixed, black and greywater.
Type of Wastewater Treatment System:	Hamworthy Membrane Bioreactor MBR (USCG Type II)
Type of Authorization:	Authorized for underway discharge of wastewater treated through a Hamworthy Membrane Bioreactor MBR (USCG Type II) wastewater treatment system configuration as approved by the Department in the current Vessel Specific Sampling Plan.

SECTION 3 – REGULATED DISCHARGE INFORMATION – EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS	
Effluent Compliance Point:	Wastewater effluent sampling port(s) identified in the Department approved Vessel Specific Sampling Plan.
Effluent Limitations	Table 3 of the General Permit
Special Conditions:	The <i>Nieuw Amsterdam</i> is authorized to discharge treated wastewater into Alaska marine waters while underway at speeds above 6 knots.
Monitoring Requirements	Table 5 of the General Permit and any other applicable monitoring requirements in the General Permit
Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR)	The <i>Nieuw Amsterdam</i> must submit a monthly DMR with effluent limits that is available on the Department's website: (http://dec.alaska.gov/water/cruise_ships/gp/2014gp.html) or on a similar form approved by the Department.

SECTION 4 – RECEIVING AREA INFORMATION-RECEIVING WATER	
Receiving Area Name:	Marine waters of the state of Alaska as defined in the General Permit
Underway Mixing Zone Description:	63 meters in length, 5 meters in width, and a depth from the water surface to the depth the discharge port is below the water surface plus one meter. The shape of the mixing zone is an elongated rectangle that extends from the discharge port towards the stern of the ship.
Stationary Mixing Zone Description:	N/A
Skagway Discharge at Ore or Broadway Docks	N/A, underway discharge only

SECTION 5 – ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS (GP 4.3.2)	
N/A	No additional terms and conditions

If you have any technical questions regarding this authorization or the requirements of the general permit, please contact the Cruise Program Manager at (907) 465-5320.

SECTION 6 – CERTIFICATION/SIGNATURE	
 _____ Signature	<u>4/4/2016</u> _____ Date
Edward E. White _____ Printed Name	EPS III, CPVEC ADEC _____ Title



NOTICE OF INTENT FORM

Notice of Intent to be covered under the Wastewater General Permit 2013DB0004 for Large Commercial Passenger Vessels Operating in Alaska (See Sections 2 and 3 of the permit.)

Submission of this document constitutes a request that certain discharges into marine waters of the state resulting from the operation of the large commercial passenger vessels identified herein be authorized under General Permit 2013-DB0004.

Vessel Owner Information

Who is the main point of contact for the vessel? (e.g. owner, operator, or Alaska Agent):

Kelly W. Clark, Senior Vice President Safety, Environmental & Regulatory Services

Vessel Owner's Business Name: **HAL Antillen N.V.**

Mailing Address: **300 Elliott Avenue West
Seattle, WA 98119**

Phone: **206.301.5316**

Representative: **Kelly W. Clark**

Email: **KClark@HollandAmericaGroup.com**

Vessel Owner's or Operator's Alaska Agent Information

Company Name: **Cruise Line Agencies of AK Southeast**

Mailing Address:
**55 Schoenbar Court, #101
Ketchikan, AK 99901**

Phone: **907.617.1213**

Representative: **Rick Erickson**

Email: **Ketchikan@claalaska.com**

Vessel Operator's Business Name if Different From the Owner's Business Name

Vessel Operator's Business Name: **Holland America Line N.V.**

Mailing Address: **300 Elliott Avenue West
Seattle, WA 98119**

Phone: **206.301.5316**

Representative: **Kelly W. Clark**

Email: **KClark@HollandAmericaGroup.com**

Vessel Information (Y/N)	
Are you seeking authorization to discharge with a mixing zone?	N
Are you seeking authorization to discharge while moving at 6 knots or greater?	Y
Are you seeking authorization to discharge while moving at under 6 knots?	N
Are you seeking authorization to discharge while in Skagway at Broadway or Ore Docks?	N
If the permittee is seeking authorization which includes a mixing zone, attach (may be emailed separately) a drawing to scale that indicates the length of the vessel and the locations of all wastewater effluent penetration points (ports) on the hull.	
Vessel Name:	NIEUW AMSTERDAM
Vessel IMO Number:	9378450
Vessel Gross Tonnage:	86273
Port of Registry:	Netherlands
Maximum Passenger Capacity per Voyage:	2106
Maximum Crew Capacity per Voyage:	929
Vessel Draft ¹ :	a)FWD 8.1 b)AFT 8.0 a)FWD 7.17 b)AFT 7.69
Vessel Length in Meters at Waterline ² :	253.9
Vessel Tracking	
Method of submitting hourly vessel tracking information while in Alaskan waters (Marine Exchange of Alaska AIS or other Department approved method):	
Name, physical address, and mailing addresses of the service:	Marine Exchange of Alaska 1000 Harbor Way Suite 204 Juneau, AK 99801
Contact's name, email address, and phone number:	Bret Farrell, Assistant Director brettfarrell@mxak.org 907.463.4640

¹ Vessel draft under a) loaded condition for Alaska operations (bunkers / waste water storage etc.) and b) under light ship conditions for Alaska operations (bunkers empty / no waste water storage etc.)

² Length of Waterline (LWL) under normal load in standard Alaska conditions.

Discharge Port Characteristics			
Note: If there is more than one discharge port attach a sheet with the characteristics below for each AWTS Port. If more than one discharge pump attach sheet with capacity for each.			
Discharge Port Name ³ :	Port "E"	Location (Starboard/Port):	Starboard
Discharge Port Internal Diameter:	155mm	Discharge Port Centerline Vertical Distance from Keel:	5.73m
Discharge Port Distance from Bow at Waterline (normal load):	195.25m	Discharge Port Centerline Vertical Distance from Waterline (normal load) ⁴ :	1.8m
Discharge Port shape (round, oval, square):	Round	Discharge Port Pump Capacity (m ³ /hr) for each Pump ⁵ :	15m³/hr
Discharge Port Vertical Angle Relative to Waterline ⁶ :	90°	Discharge Port Horizontal Angle Relative to Centerline ⁷ :	90°

Wastewater Discharge Information		
Estimates of the average and maximum volume of the wastewater to be discharged per 24 hour period (in cubic meters), and the beginning and ending dates between which discharges may occur the first year of the permit;	Average:	280m³
	Maximum:	330m³
	Startup Date:	01MAY16
	Ending date:	30SEP16

³ Name or identification as used in VSSP and Waste Water Discharge Logbook.

⁴ Vertical distance from the vertical centerline of the discharge port relative to the standard (loaded) conditions waterline.

⁵ Treated wastewater discharge pump for the named discharge port. For vessels with variable speed / capacity pumps identify the effective discharge capacities. For vessels with more than one pump simultaneously operated identify the total effective pump capacities.

⁶ Parallel with the Vertical Longitudinal Center Plane orientation of the hull orientation angle defined as the angle in degrees between the horizontally perpendicular projected line originating from the vertical longitudinal center plane of the hull self to the center of the discharge port, and the projected perpendicular line originating from the port center self (face) vertically directed to the center plane of the hull (Y-Y axis).

⁷ Parallel with the Vertical Longitudinal Center Plane orientation of the hull orientation angle defined as the angle in degrees between the horizontally perpendicular projected line originating from the vertical longitudinal center plane of the hull self to the center of the discharge port, and the projected perpendicular line originating from the port center self (face) horizontally directed to the vertical center plane of the hull (X-X axis).

The type, number, and combined maximum design capacity in cubic meters per 24 hour period of all advanced wastewater treatment systems (AWTS) onboard;	Type (s) (including manufacturer, model name, model number, and year built):	Hamworthy Water Systems Limited 2 x Membrane Bio-Reactor Type MBR 360N Mk. 3
	Number of AWTS:	2 x Units
	Combined design capacity:	720m³
Type(s) of sewage treatment and system capacity in cubic meters per 24 hour period;	Type (s) (including manufacturer, model name, model number, and year built): Hamworthy Water Systems Limited 2 x Membrane Bio-Reactor Type MBR 360N Mk. 3 Build Date: July 2010 Combined design capacity: 360m³	
Type(s) of graywater treatment and system capacity in cubic meters per 24 hour period;	Type (s) (including manufacturer, model name, model number, and year built): Hamworthy Water Systems Limited 2 x Membrane Bio-Reactor Type MBR 360N Mk. 3 Build Date: July 2010 Combined design capacity: 360m³	
Average volume of sewage generation per day in cubic meters;	60m³	
Maximum volume of sewage generation per day in cubic meters;	80m³	
Average graywater generation per day in cubic meters for the following sources;	Accommodations: 120m³ Galley: 35m³ Laundry: 140m³ Other (list types and volumes): None	
Maximum graywater generation per day in cubic meters for the following sources;	Accommodations 140m³ Galley 50m³ Laundry 160m³ Other (list types and volumes): None	

The method of handling and disposal of sludge and biosolids produced from the treatment of sewage and graywater.

Pre-treatment filtered inorganic solids are landed ashore.

Retained solids from bioreactor, known as biomass, are discharged outside 12NM.

Signature and Certification for NOI

I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I have no personal knowledge that the information submitted is other than true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fines and imprisonment for knowing violations.

Signature of Responsible Corporate Officer



Printed Name

Kelly W. Clark

Title/Company

**Senior Vice President, Safety, Environmental &
Regulatory Services**

Date

18MAR16

Submit this Notice of Intent to:

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