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GENERAL PERMIT NUMBER:

0286758-005-DSGP

ISSUANCE DATE: December 3, 2010

EXPIRATION DATE: December 2, 2015

COUNTY: Columbia

PROJECT: Ellisville Watermain Extension -
Commercial Loop Phase 1

CONNECTED TO: Columbia County - Ellisville

PWS ID: 2124413

Dear Ms. Roberts:

On November 19, 2010, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection received your "Notice of Intent to Use the General Permit for Construction of Water Main Extensions for PWSs" {DEP Form No. 62-555.900(7)}, under the provisions of Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.) Rule 62-4.530 and Chapter 62-555.

After reviewing the notice, it appears that your project will have minimal adverse environmental effect and apparently can be constructed pursuant to a general permit as described in Chapter 62-555, F.A.C.

Any activities performed under this general permit are subject to the general conditions required in Rules 62-4.540 F.A.C. (attached), and are also subject to the following specific conditions as required by Rule 62-555.405, F.A.C.

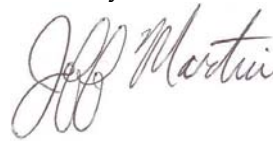
- (a) The water treatment plant to which this distribution system shall be connected shall have the capacity to provide the potable water demand required by this project which is in compliance with the standards and water quality set forth in Chapters 62-550, 62-555, and 62-560, F.A.C., for public water systems.
- (b) Prior to placing this project into service, Permittee shall submit a "Certification of Construction Completion and Request for a Letter of Clearance to Place Permitted PWS Components into Operation" {DEP Form 62-555.900(9)} along with a copy of two consecutive days of satisfactory bacteriological analytical results to the Department for evaluation and approval for operation, as provided in Rules 62-555.340 and 62-555.345, F.A.C. In order to facilitate the issuance of a letter of clearance, the Department requests that all of the above information be submitted as one package.

Assuming you have properly qualified for this general permit, please note that the permit will expire on the date indicated. If you wish to continue this general permit beyond the expiration date, you shall notify the Department at least 30 days before its expiration.

Your construction activity must conform to the description contained in your notice. Any substantial deviation may subject the Permittee to enforcement action and possible penalties.

If you have any questions concerning the use of the general permit, please contact this office.

Sincerely,



Jeffrey S. Martin, P.E.
Wastewater Permitting Supervisor

Copies furnished to:
Chadwick Williams, P.E., GTC Design Group, LLC

General Conditions for All General Drinking Water Permits

- (1) The terms, conditions, requirements, limitations, and restrictions set forth in this Part are "general permit conditions" and are binding upon the permittee. The conditions are enforceable under Chapter 403, F.S.
- (2) The general permit is valid only for the specific activity indicated. Any deviation from the specified activity and the conditions for undertaking that activity shall constitute a violation of the permit. The permittee is placed on notice that violation of the permit may result in suspension or revocation of the permittee's use of the general permit and may cause the Department to begin legal proceedings.
- (3) The general permit does not convey any vested rights or any exclusive privileges. It does not authorize any injury to public or private property nor any invasion of personal rights. It does not authorize any infringement of federal, state or local laws or regulations. It does not eliminate the necessity for obtaining any other federal, state or local permits that may be required, or allow the permittee to violate any more stringent standards established by federal or local law.
- (4) The general permit does not relieve the permittee from liability and penalties when the construction or operation of the permitted activity causes harm or injury to human health or welfare; causes harm or injury to animal, plant or aquatic life; or causes harm or injury to property. It does not allow the permittee to cause pollution in contravention of Florida Statutes and Department rules.
- (5) The general permit conveys no title to land or water, nor does it constitute State recognition or acknowledgment of title. It does not constitute authority for reclamation of submerged lands. Only the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund may express State opinion as to title.

(6) No general permit shall authorize the use of state owned land without the prior consent of the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund pursuant to Section 253.77, F.S.

(7) The general permit may be modified, suspended or revoked in accordance with Chapter 120, Florida Statutes, if the Secretary determines that there has been a violation of any of the terms or conditions of the permit, there has been a violation of state water quality standards or state air quality standards, or the permittee has submitted false, incomplete or inaccurate data or information.

(8) Each request for transfer of a specific construction permit and each request for transfer of a permittee's use of a general construction permit shall be made and processed in accordance with Rule 62-4.120, F.A.C., except that the current permittee and the proposed permittee shall jointly submit Form 62-555.900(8), *Application for Transfer of a PWS Construction Permit*, hereby adopted and incorporated by reference, effective August 28, 2003. Copies of this form are available from the Department of Environmental Protection, Drinking Water Section, M.S. 3520, 2600 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2400. Each application for transfer of a construction permit shall be accompanied by the proper processing fee made payable to the Department of Environmental Protection or the appropriate Approved County Health Department. The processing fee for transfer of a construction permit is listed in paragraph 62-4.050(4)(s), F.A.C.

(9) The general permit authorizes construction and, where applicable, operation of the permitted facility.

(10) The permittee agrees in using the general permit to make every reasonable effort to conduct the specific activity or construction authorized by the general permit in a manner that will minimize any adverse effects on the adjacent property or on public use of the adjacent property, where applicable, and on the environment, including fish, wildlife, natural resources of the area, water quality or air quality.

(11) The permittee agrees in using the general permit to allow a duly authorized representative of the Department access to the permitted facility or activity at reasonable times to inspect and test upon presentation of credentials or other documents as may be required by law to determine compliance with the permit and the department rules.

(12) The permittee agrees to maintain any permitted facility, or activity in good condition and in accordance with the plans submitted to the department under Rule 62-4.530(1), F.A.C.

(13) A permittee's use of a general permit is limited to five years. However, the permittee may request continued use of the general permit by notifying the department pursuant to Rule 62-4.530(1), F.A.C. However, the permittee shall give notice of continued use of a general permit thirty days before it expires.