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NOTICE OF PERMIT REVISION

October 15, 2003 ELECTRONIC CORRESPONDENCE

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Miami-Dade County
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Minor Permit Revision
Permit No. FL0032182
Application No. FL0032182-007-DW1

Dear Mr. Brant:

The Department has reviewed your request with a \$500.00 application fee, received on September 2, 2003, to modify the existing Consolidated Wastewater Permit Number FL0032182-001 to allow the construction of improvements to the primary clarifiers scum removal system.

The request for permit revision is hereby approved in accordance with Section 403.087, Florida Statutes. We are also taking this opportunity to update permit conditions to be consistent with recent rule revisions. The following revisions are made to the Consolidated Permit Number FL0032182-001:

- **Add Section VIII and IX to the Consolidated Permit:**

VIII. OTHER SPECIFIC CONDITIONS

1. Prior to placing the new facilities covered under the consolidated permit into operation or any individual unit processes into operation, for any purpose other than testing for leaks and equipment operation, the Permittee shall complete and submit to the Department DEP Form 62-620.910(12), Notification of Completion of Construction for Domestic Wastewater Facilities. [62-620.630(2)]
2. Within six months after a facility is placed in operation, the Permittee shall provide written certification to the Department on Form 62-620.910(13) that record drawings pursuant to Chapter 62-600, F.A.C., and that an operation and maintenance manual pursuant to Chapters 62-600 and 62-610, F.A.C., as applicable, are available at the location specified on the form. [62-620.630(7)]
3. If the Permittee wishes to continue operation of this wastewater facility after the expiration date of this permit, the Permittee shall submit an application for renewal, using Department Forms 62-620.910(1) and (2), no later than one-hundred and eighty days (180) prior to the expiration date of this permit. [62-620.410(5)]
4. Florida water quality criteria and standards shall not be violated as a result of any discharge or land application of reclaimed water or residuals from this facility. [62-620.320(9) and 62-302.500(2)(e)] [62-610.850(1)(a) and (2)(a)]
5. In the event that the treatment facilities or equipment no longer function as intended, are no longer safe in terms of public health and safety, or odor, noise, aerosol drift, or lighting adversely affects neighboring developed areas at the levels prohibited by Rule 62-600.400(2)(a), F.A.C., corrective action (which may include additional maintenance or modifications of the permitted facilities) shall be taken by the Permittee. Other corrective action may be required to ensure compliance with rules of the Department. Additionally, the treatment, management, use or land application of residuals shall not

cause a violation of the odor prohibition in Rule 62-296.320(2), F.A.C. *[62-600.410(8) and 62-640.400(6)]*

6. The deliberate introduction of stormwater in any amount into collection/transmission systems designed solely for the introduction (and conveyance) of domestic/industrial wastewater; or the deliberate introduction of stormwater into collection/transmission systems designed for the introduction or conveyance of combinations of storm and domestic/industrial wastewater in amounts which may reduce the efficiency of pollutant removal by the treatment plant is prohibited, except as provided by Rule 62-610.472, F.A.C. *[62-604.130(3)]*
7. Collection/transmission system overflows shall be reported to the Department in accordance with Permit Condition IX. 20. *[62-604.550] [62-620.610(20)]*
8. The operating authority of a collection/transmission system and the Permittee of a treatment plant are prohibited from accepting connections of wastewater discharges which have not received necessary pretreatment or which contain materials or pollutants (other than normal domestic wastewater constituents):
 - a. Which may cause fire or explosion hazards; or
 - b. Which may cause excessive corrosion or other deterioration of wastewater facilities due to chemical action or pH levels; or
 - c. Which are solid or viscous and obstruct flow or otherwise interfere with wastewater facility operations or treatment; or
 - d. Which result in treatment plant discharges having temperatures above 40°C.*[62-604.130(4)]*
9. The treatment facility, storage ponds, rapid infiltration basins, and/or infiltration trenches shall be enclosed with a fence or otherwise provided with features to discourage the entry of animals and unauthorized persons. *[62-600.400(2)(b)]*
10. Screenings and grit removed from the wastewater facilities shall be collected in suitable containers and hauled to a Department approved Class I landfill or to a landfill approved by the Department for receipt/disposal of screenings and grit. *[62-701.300(1)(a)]*

IX. GENERAL CONDITIONS

1. The terms, conditions, requirements, limitations and restrictions set forth in this permit are binding and enforceable pursuant to Chapter 403, Florida Statutes. Any permit noncompliance constitutes a violation of Chapter 403, Florida Statutes, and is grounds for enforcement action, permit termination, permit revocation and reissuance, or permit revision. *[62-620.610(1)]*
2. This permit is valid only for the specific processes and operations applied for and indicated in the approved drawings or exhibits. Any unauthorized deviations from the approved drawings, exhibits, specifications or conditions of this permit constitutes grounds for revocation and enforcement action by the Department. *[62-620.610(2)]*
3. As provided in Subsection 403.087(6), F.S., the issuance of this permit does not convey any vested rights or any exclusive privileges. Neither does it authorize any injury to public or private property or any invasion of personal rights, nor authorize any infringement of federal, state, or local laws or regulations. This permit is not a waiver of or approval of any other Department permit or authorization that may be required for other aspects of the total project which are not addressed in this permit. *[62-620.610(3)]*

4. This permit conveys no title to land or water, does not constitute state recognition or acknowledgment of title, and does not constitute authority for the use of submerged lands unless herein provided and the necessary title or leasehold interests have been obtained from the State. Only the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund may express State opinion as to title. *[62-620.610(4)]*
5. This permit does not relieve the Permittee from liability and penalties for harm or injury to human health or welfare, animal or plant life, or property caused by the construction or operation of this permitted source; nor does it allow the Permittee to cause pollution in contravention of Florida Statutes and Department rules, unless specifically authorized by an order from the Department. The Permittee shall take all reasonable steps to minimize or prevent any discharge, reuse of reclaimed water, or residuals use or disposal in violation of this permit which has a reasonable likelihood of adversely affecting human health or the environment. It shall not be a defense for a Permittee in an enforcement action that it would have been necessary to halt or reduce the permitted activity in order to maintain compliance with the conditions of this permit. *[62-620.610(5)]*
6. If the Permittee wishes to continue an activity regulated by this permit after its expiration date, the Permittee shall apply for and obtain a new permit. *[62-620.610(6)]*
7. The Permittee shall at all times properly operate and maintain the facility and systems of treatment and control, and related appurtenances, that are installed and used by the Permittee to achieve compliance with the conditions of this permit. This provision includes the operation of backup or auxiliary facilities or similar systems when necessary to maintain or achieve compliance with the conditions of the permit. *[62-620.610(7)]*
8. This permit may be modified, revoked and reissued, or terminated for cause. The filing of a request by the Permittee for a permit revision, revocation and reissuance, or termination, or a notification of planned changes or anticipated noncompliance does not stay any permit condition. *[62-620.610(8)]*
9. The Permittee, by accepting this permit, specifically agrees to allow authorized Department personnel, including an authorized representative of the Department and authorized EPA personnel, when applicable, upon presentation of credentials or other documents as may be required by law, and at reasonable times, depending upon the nature of the concern being investigated, to:
 - a. Enter upon the Permittee's premises where a regulated facility, system, or activity is located or conducted, or where records shall be kept under the conditions of this permit;
 - b. Have access to and copy any records that shall be kept under the conditions of this permit;
 - c. Inspect the facilities, equipment, practices, or operations regulated or required under this permit; and
 - d. Sample or monitor any substances or parameters at any location necessary to assure compliance with this permit or Department rules.*[62-620.610(9)]*
10. In accepting this permit, the Permittee understands and agrees that all records, notes, monitoring data, and other information relating to the construction or operation of this permitted source which are submitted to the Department may be used by the Department as evidence in any enforcement case involving the permitted source arising under the Florida Statutes or Department rules, except as such use is proscribed by Section 403.111, Florida Statutes, or Rule 62-620.302, Florida Administrative Code. Such evidence shall only be used to the extent that it is consistent with the Florida Rules of Civil Procedure and applicable evidentiary rules. *[62-620.610(10)]*
11. When requested by the Department, the Permittee shall within a reasonable time provide any information required by law which is needed to determine whether there is cause for revising, revoking and reissuing, or terminating this permit, or to determine compliance with the permit. The Permittee

shall also provide to the Department upon request copies of records required by this permit to be kept. If the Permittee becomes aware of relevant facts that were not submitted or were incorrect in the permit application or in any report to the Department, such facts or information shall be promptly submitted or corrections promptly reported to the Department. [62-620.610(11)]

12. Unless specifically stated otherwise in Department rules, the Permittee, in accepting this permit, agrees to comply with changes in Department rules and Florida Statutes after a reasonable time for compliance; provided, however, the Permittee does not waive any other rights granted by Florida Statutes or Department rules. A reasonable time for compliance with a new or amended surface water quality standard, other than those standards addressed in Rule 62-302.500, F.A.C., shall include a reasonable time to obtain or be denied a mixing zone for the new or amended standard. [62-620.610(12)]
13. The Permittee, in accepting this permit, agrees to pay the applicable regulatory program and surveillance fee in accordance with Rule 62-4.052, F.A.C. [62-620.610(13)]
14. This permit is transferable only upon Department approval in accordance with Rule 62-620.340, F.A.C. The Permittee shall be liable for any noncompliance of the permitted activity until the transfer is approved by the Department. [62-620.610(14)]
15. The Permittee shall give the Department written notice at least 60 days before inactivation or abandonment of a wastewater facility and shall specify what steps will be taken to safeguard public health and safety during and following inactivation or abandonment. [62-620.610(15)]
16. The Permittee shall apply for a revision to the Department permit in accordance with Rules 62-620.300, 62-620.420 or 62-620.450, F.A.C., as applicable, at least 90 days before construction of any planned substantial modifications to the permitted facility is to commence or with Rule 62-620.300 for minor modifications to the permitted facility. A revised permit shall be obtained before construction begins except as provided in Rule 62-620.300, F.A.C. [62-620.610(16)]
17. The Permittee shall give advance notice to the Department of any planned changes in the permitted facility or activity which may result in noncompliance with permit requirements. The Permittee shall be responsible for any and all damages which may result from the changes and may be subject to enforcement action by the Department for penalties or revocation of this permit. The notice shall include the following information:
 - a. A description of the anticipated noncompliance;
 - b. The period of the anticipated noncompliance, including dates and times; and
 - c. Steps being taken to prevent future occurrence of the noncompliance.[62-620.610(17)]
18. Sampling and monitoring data shall be collected and analyzed in accordance with Rule 62-4.246, Chapters 62-160 and 62-601, F.A.C., and 40 CFR 136, as appropriate.
 - a. Monitoring results shall be reported at the intervals specified elsewhere in this permit and shall be reported on a Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR), DEP Form 62-620.910(10).
 - b. If the Permittee monitors any contaminant more frequently than required by the permit, using Department approved test procedures, the results of this monitoring shall be included in the calculation and reporting of the data submitted in the DMR.
 - c. Calculations for all limitations which require averaging of measurements shall use an arithmetic mean unless otherwise specified in this permit.

- d. Any laboratory test required by this permit shall be performed by a laboratory that has been certified by the Department of Health (DOH) under Chapter 64E-1, F.A.C., where such certification is required by Rule 62-160.300, F.A.C. The laboratory must be certified for any specific method and analyte combination that is used to comply with this permit. For domestic wastewater facilities, the on-site test procedures specified in Rule 62-160.300(4), F.A.C., shall be performed by a laboratory certified test for those parameters or under the direction of an operator certified under Chapter 62-602, F.A.C.
- e. Field activities including on-site tests and sample collection, whether performed by a laboratory or a certified operator, must follow the applicable procedures described in DEP-SOP-001/01 (January 2002). Alternate field procedures and laboratory methods may be used where they have been approved according to the requirements of Rules 62-160.220, and 62-160.330, F.A.C.

[62-620.610(18)]

19. Reports of compliance or noncompliance with, or any progress reports on, interim and final requirements contained in any compliance schedule detailed elsewhere in this permit shall be submitted no later than 14 days following each schedule date. *[62-620.610(19)]*
20. The Permittee shall report to the Department any noncompliance which may endanger health or the environment. Any information shall be provided orally within 24 hours from the time the Permittee becomes aware of the circumstances. A written submission shall also be provided within five days of the time the Permittee becomes aware of the circumstances. The written submission shall contain: a description of the noncompliance and its cause; the period of noncompliance including exact dates and time, and if the noncompliance has not been corrected, the anticipated time it is expected to continue; and steps taken or planned to reduce, eliminate, and prevent recurrence of the noncompliance.
 - a. The following shall be included as information which must be reported within 24 hours under this condition:
 1. Any unanticipated bypass which causes any reclaimed water or effluent to exceed any permit limitation or results in an unpermitted discharge,
 2. Any upset which causes any reclaimed water or the effluent to exceed any limitation in the permit,
 3. Violation of a maximum daily discharge limitation for any of the pollutants specifically listed in the permit for such notice, and
 4. Any unauthorized discharge to surface or ground waters.
 - b. Oral reports as required by this subsection shall be provided as follows:
 1. For unauthorized releases or spills of treated or untreated wastewater reported pursuant to subparagraph a.4 that are in excess of 1,000 gallons per incident, or where information indicates that public health or the environment will be endangered, oral reports shall be provided to the STATE WARNING POINT TOLL FREE NUMBER (800) 320-0519, as soon as practical, but no later than 24 hours from the time the Permittee becomes aware of the discharge. The Permittee, to the extent known, shall provide the following information to the State Warning Point:
 - a) Name, address, and telephone number of person reporting;
 - b) Name, address, and telephone number of Permittee or responsible person for the discharge;
 - c) Date and time of the discharge and status of discharge (ongoing or ceased);

- d) Characteristics of the wastewater spilled or released (untreated or treated, industrial or domestic wastewater);
 - e) Estimated amount of the discharge;
 - f) Location or address of the discharge;
 - g) Source and cause of the discharge;
 - h) Whether the discharge was contained on-site, and cleanup actions taken to date;
 - i) Description of area affected by the discharge, including name of water body affected, if any; and
 - j) Other persons or agencies contacted.
2. Oral reports, not otherwise required to be provided pursuant to subparagraph b.1 above, shall be provided to the Department within 24 hours from the time the Permittee becomes aware of the circumstances.
- c. If the oral report has been received within 24 hours, the noncompliance has been corrected, and the noncompliance did not endanger health or the environment, the Department shall waive the written report.

[62-620.610(20)]

21. The Permittee shall report all instances of noncompliance not reported under Permit Conditions IX. 18. and 19. of this permit at the time monitoring reports are submitted. This report shall contain the same information required by Permit Condition IX. 20 of this permit. *[62-620.610(21)]*

22. Bypass Provisions.

- a. Bypass is prohibited, and the Department may take enforcement action against a Permittee for bypass, unless the Permittee affirmatively demonstrates that:
 - 1. Bypass was unavoidable to prevent loss of life, personal injury, or severe property damage; and
 - 2. There were no feasible alternatives to the bypass, such as the use of auxiliary treatment facilities, retention of untreated wastes, or maintenance during normal periods of equipment downtime. This condition is not satisfied if adequate back-up equipment should have been installed in the exercise of reasonable engineering judgment to prevent a bypass which occurred during normal periods of equipment downtime or preventive maintenance; and
 - 3. The Permittee submitted notices as required under Permit Condition IX. 22. b. of this permit.
- b. If the Permittee knows in advance of the need for a bypass, it shall submit prior notice to the Department, if possible at least 10 days before the date of the bypass. The Permittee shall submit notice of an unanticipated bypass within 24 hours of learning about the bypass as required in Permit Condition IX. 20. of this permit. A notice shall include a description of the bypass and its cause; the period of the bypass, including exact dates and times; if the bypass has not been corrected, the anticipated time it is expected to continue; and the steps taken or planned to reduce, eliminate, and prevent recurrence of the bypass.
- c. The Department shall approve an anticipated bypass, after considering its adverse effect, if the Permittee demonstrates that it will meet the three conditions listed in Permit Condition IX. 22. a. 1. through 3. of this permit.

- d. A Permittee may allow any bypass to occur which does not cause reclaimed water or effluent limitations to be exceeded if it is for essential maintenance to assure efficient operation. These bypasses are not subject to the provisions of Permit Condition IX. 22. a. through c. of this permit.

[62-620.610(22)]

23. Upset Provisions

- a. A Permittee who wishes to establish the affirmative defense of upset shall demonstrate, through properly signed contemporaneous operating logs, or other relevant evidence that:
 1. An upset occurred and that the Permittee can identify the cause(s) of the upset;
 2. The permitted facility was at the time being properly operated;
 3. The Permittee submitted notice of the upset as required in Permit Condition IX. 20. of this permit; and
 4. The Permittee complied with any remedial measures required under Permit Condition IX. 5. of this permit.
- b. In any enforcement proceeding, the Permittee seeking to establish the occurrence of an upset has the burden of proof.
- c. Before an enforcement proceeding is instituted, no representation made during the Department review of a claim that noncompliance was caused by an upset is final agency action subject to judicial review.

[62-620.610(23)]

All other applicable conditions included in the original consolidated permit and applicable permit revisions remain unchanged. The Notice of Permit Revision shall become a part of the permit and must be attached to the original permit.

The Department has permitting jurisdiction under Rules. The project is not exempt from permitting procedures. The Department has determined that a wastewater permit is required for the proposed work.

Under Section 403.815, Florida Statutes, and Rule 62-110.106, Florida Administrative Code, you (the applicant) are required to publish at your own expense the enclosed Notice of Intent to Issue Permit. The notice must be published one time only within 30 days in the legal ad section of a newspaper of general circulation in the area affected. For the purpose of this rule, "publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the area affected" means publication in a newspaper meeting the requirements of Sections 50.011 and 50.031, Florida Statutes, in the county where the activity is to take place. Where there is more than one newspaper of general circulation in the county, the newspaper used should be one with significant circulation in the area that may be affected by the permit. If you are uncertain that a newspaper meets these requirements, please contact the Department at the address or telephone number listed below. The applicant must provide proof of publication to the Department, at Southeast District, 400 North Congress Avenue, P.O. Box 15425, West Palm Beach, FL 33416-5425 within seven days of publication. Failure to publish the notice and provide proof of publication within the allotted time may result in the denial of the permit under Rule 62-110.106(11), Florida Administrative Code.

The Department will issue the permit with the attached conditions unless a timely petition for an administrative hearing is filed under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, Florida Statutes, within fourteen days of receipt of notice. The procedures for petitioning for a hearing are set forth below.

A person whose substantial interests are affected by the Department's proposed permitting decision may petition for an administrative proceeding (hearing) under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, Florida Statutes. The

petition must contain the information set forth below and must be filed (received by the clerk) in the Office of General Counsel of the Department at 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Mail Station 35, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000.

Under Rule 62-110.106(4), Florida Administrative Code, a person may request enlargement of the time for filing a petition for an administrative hearing. The request must be filed (received by the clerk) in the Office of General Counsel before the end of the time period for filing a petition for an administrative hearing.

Petitions by the applicant or any of the persons listed below must be filed within fourteen days of receipt of this written notice. Petitions filed by any persons other than those entitled to written notice under Section 120.60(3), Florida Statutes, must be filed within fourteen days of publication of the notice or within fourteen days of receipt of the written notice, whichever occurs first. Under Section 120.60(3), Florida Statutes, however, any person who has asked the Department for notice of agency action may file a petition within fourteen days of receipt of such notice, regardless of the date of publication.

The petitioner shall mail a copy of the petition to the applicant at the address indicated above at the time of filing. The failure of any person to file a petition or request for enlargement of time within fourteen days of receipt of notice shall constitute a waiver of that person's right to request an administrative determination (hearing) under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, Florida Statutes. Any subsequent intervention (in a proceeding initiated by another party) will be only at the discretion of the presiding officer upon the filing of a motion in compliance with Rule 28-106.205, Florida Administrative Code.

A petition that disputes the material facts on which the Department's action is based must contain the following information:

- (a) The name, address, and telephone number of each petitioner; the name, address, and telephone number of the petitioner's representative, if any; the Department permit identification number and the county in which the subject matter or activity is located;
- (b) A statement of how and when each petitioner received notice of the Department action;
- (c) A statement of how each petitioner's substantial interests are affected by the Department action;
- (d) A statement of all disputed issues of material fact. If there are none, the petition must so indicate;
- (e) A statement of facts that the petitioner contends warrant reversal or modification of the Department action;
- (f) A concise statement of the ultimate facts alleged, as well as the rules and statutes which entitle the petitioner to relief; and
- (g) A statement of the relief sought by the petitioner, stating precisely the action that the petitioner wants the Department to take.

Because the administrative hearing process is designed to formulate final agency action, the filing of a petition means that the Department's final action may be different from the position taken by it in this notice. Persons whose substantial interests will be affected by any such final decision of the Department have the right to petition to become a party to the proceeding, in accordance with the requirements set forth above.

In addition to requesting an administrative hearing, any petitioner may elect to pursue mediation. The election may be accomplished by filing with the Department a mediation agreement with all parties to the proceeding (i.e., the applicant, the Department, and any person who has filed a timely and sufficient petition for a hearing). The agreement must contain all the information required by Rule 28-106.404, Florida Administrative Code. The agreement must be received by the clerk in the Office of General Counsel of the Department at 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Mail Station 35, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000, within ten days after the deadline for filing a petition, as set forth above. Choosing mediation will not adversely affect the right to a hearing if mediation does not result in a settlement.

As provided in Section 120.573, Florida Statutes, the timely agreement of all parties to mediate will toll the time limitations imposed by Sections 120.569 and 120.57, Florida Statutes, for holding an administrative hearing and issuing a final order. Unless otherwise agreed by the parties, the mediation must be concluded within sixty days of the execution of the agreement. If mediation results in settlement of the administrative dispute, the Department must enter a final order incorporating the agreement of the parties. Persons seeking to protect their substantial interests that would be affected by such a modified final decision must file their petitions within fourteen days of receipt of this notice, or they shall be deemed to have waived their right to a proceeding under Sections 120.569 and

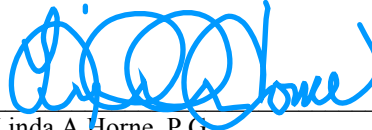
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120.57, Florida Statutes. If mediation terminates without settlement of the dispute, the Department shall notify all parties in writing that the administrative hearing processes under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, Florida Statutes, remain available for disposition of the dispute, and the notice will specify the deadlines that then will apply for challenging the agency action and electing remedies under those two statutes.

Should you have any questions, please contact Michael Wayne Bechtold, P.E. of this office at telephone number (561) 681-6682.

Executed in West Palm Beach, Florida.

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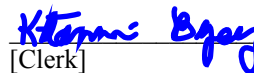
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned duly designated deputy clerk hereby certifies that this NOTICE OF PERMIT REVISION and all copies were emailed before the close of business on October 15, 2003 to the listed persons.

FILING AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

FILED, on this date, under section 120.52, Florida Statutes, with the designated Department Clerk, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged.



[Clerk]

10/15/03
[Date]

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