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Mr. Hugh "Trip" Tollison
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Re: Water Quality Certification
Joint Public Notice SAS-2015-00235
Bryan County OEM Site
Lower Ogeechee River Watershed
Bryan County

Dear Mr. Tollison:

Pursuant to Section 401 of the Federal Clean Water Act, the State of Georgia issues this certification to the Savannah Harbor – Interstate 16 Corridor Joint Development Authority, an applicant for a federal permit or license to conduct an activity in, on or adjacent to the waters of the State of Georgia.

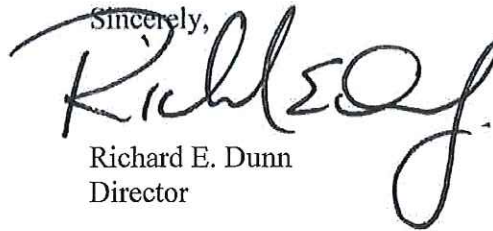
The State of Georgia certifies that there is no applicable provision of Section 301; no limitation under Section 302; no standard under Section 306; and no standard under Section 307, for the applicant's activity. The State of Georgia certifies that the applicant's activity will comply with all applicable provisions of Section 303.

1. All work performed during construction will be done in a manner so as not to violate applicable water quality standards.
2. Section 401 Water Quality Certification is conditioned upon the issuance of a Buffer Variance by the Director of EPD as provided in the Georgia Erosion and Sedimentation Act of 1975, as amended, O.C.G.A. 12-7-6(b)(15)(16) and (17).
3. The Project Area shall only be developed by an automobile manufacturing company. Prior to initiating any authorized work within Phase 1 of the Permit Area, the Permittee shall notify Georgia EPD and the Corps in writing that a contract has been signed with an automotive manufacturing company, which will develop the Project Area in accordance with the terms, conditions, and development plans of the 404 permit.
4. At least 30 days prior to initiating any authorized development work within Phase 2 of the Permit Area, the Permittee shall submit a parcel-specific site plan to Georgia EPD and the Corps; including documentation that the development is either owned, optioned, leased or otherwise committed to be developed by a company, firm, or other entity that will develop the parcel for the purpose of expanding the original automobile manufacturing facility constructed on Phase 1 of the Permit Area; and in accordance with the terms and conditions of the 404 permit. The Parcel-specific site development plan shall include the location and configuration of all structures, parking spaces and other activities that will be constructed on the Phase 2 Parcel. No work shall commence on a Phase 2 Parcel until the Permittee receives written confirmation from the Corps that the Parcel-specific site development plan is consistent with the terms and conditions of the 404 permit.

5. The applicant must notify Georgia EPD of any modifications to the proposed activity including, but not limited to, modifications to the construction or operation of any facility..

This certification does not relieve the applicant of any obligation or responsibility for complying with the provisions of any other laws or regulations of other federal, state or local authorities.

It is your responsibility to submit this certification to the appropriate federal agency.

Sincerely,

Richard E. Dunn
Director

cc: Ms. Sarah Wise, Corps
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