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March 27, 2017

Certified Mail No. 7010 1870 0003 4946 9074

Mr. Charlie Byers, and
Mr. BJ Durham
Thomas Builders Inc.
855 West Wilson Street
Nicota, Tennessee 37826

Dear Mr. Byers and Mr. Durham:

Re: Hampton Inn and Suites
Harrison County
COE No. SAM-2015-00850-MFJ
WQC No. WQC2016034

Pursuant to Section 401 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U. S. C. 1251, 1341), the Office of Pollution Control (OPC) issues this Certification, after public notice and opportunity for public hearing, to Mr. Byers and Mr. Durham of Thomas Builders, Inc., an applicant for a Federal License or permit to conduct the following activity:

Hampton Inn and Suites: This project is for the construction for a commercial hotel. The work will impact 0.99 acres of wetlands. The project is associated with the Tchoutacabouffa River. The project is located along Hidden River Road, near Promenade Parkway and Highway 67 in D'Iberville, Harrison County, Mississippi. [SAM-2015-00850-MFJ, WQC2016034].

The Office of Pollution Control certifies that the above-described activity will be in compliance with the applicable provisions of Sections 301, 302, 303, 306, and 307 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act and Section 49-17-29 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, if the applicant complies with the following conditions:

1. All fill material and excavation areas shall have side slopes of at least 3:1 (horizontal: vertical) and shall be immediately seeded, stabilized and maintained.

2. Appropriate best management practices (BMPs) shall be properly installed and maintained to prevent the movement of sediment off-site and into adjacent drainage areas. Special care shall be taken prior to and during construction to prevent the movement of sediment into adjacent avoided wetland areas. In the event of any BMP failure, corrective actions shall be taken immediately.
3. The post-construction Storm Water Management Plan, submitted by Pickering Firm Inc., on February 13, 2017 shall be implemented concurrent with the project construction and properly maintained to function as proposed.
4. Mitigation for the impact of 0.99 acres of wetlands shall be provided by the purchase of mitigation credits from an approved mitigation bank. **Written verification of the final purchase must be provided to the Office of Pollution Control prior to the commencement of any work in the wetland areas.**
5. No sewage, oil, refuse, or other pollutants shall be discharged into the watercourse.

The Office of Pollution Control also certifies that there are no limitations under Section 302 nor standards under Sections 306 and 307 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act which are applicable to the applicant's above-described activity.

This certification is valid for the project as proposed. Any deviations without proper modifications and/or approvals may result in a violation of the 401 Water Quality Certification. If we can be of further assistance, please contact us.

Sincerely,



Harry M. Wilson, P.E., DEE
Chief, Environmental Permits Division

HMW: ld

cc: Mr. Philip Hegji, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Mobile District
Mr. Greg Christodoulou, Department of Marine Resources
Mr. Paul Necaise, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Mrs. Callista Mills, Environmental Protection Agency
Mr. Beau Hale, Pickering Firm, Inc.