

## STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

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## MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

GARY C. RIKARD, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

May 2, 2019

Certified Mail No. 7017 0530 0000 5971 7244 Mr. Bob Boyte BBHMGC, LLC 2188 MS-18 Brandon, MS 39042

Dear Mr. Boyte:

Re: BBHMGC, LLC, Automobile

> Dealership Jackson County

COE No. SAM201801025MJF WQC No. WQC2018053

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 BBHMGC, LLC - Automobile Dealership, an applicant for a Federal License or permit to conduct the following activity:

BBHMGC, LLC, Automobile Dealership: Project to place fill material in 2.52 acres of low-quality palustrine wetlands for the construction of a car dealership. The dealership would be comprised of a 31,000 square foot showroom, sales and office facilities, and a service facility. Additional amenities would include sales lots for new and used cars, customer parking and site utilities. The 13.67-acre subject parcel contains approximately 3.30 acres of jurisdictional wetlands. The proposed project is located in wetlands associated with Dutch Bayou and the Escatawpa River within the City of Moss Point, Jackson County, Mississippi [SAM201801025MJF, WQC2018053].

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. The development shall connect to an Office of Pollution Control approved wastewater collection and treatment system. No construction shall begin until all wastewater approvals are obtained.
- 2. 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.
- 3. Appropriate best management practices (BMPs) shall be properly installed and maintained to prevent the movement of sediment off-site and into adjacent drainage areas and/or waters. Special care shall be taken to prevent the movement of sediment into adjacent wetland areas. In the event of any BMP failure, corrective actions shall be taken immediately.
- 4. For projects with ground disturbances that total five acres or more including clearing, grading, excavating or other construction activities, the applicant shall obtain the necessary coverage under the State of Mississippi's Large Construction Storm Water General NPDES Permit. No construction activities shall begin until the necessary approvals and /or permits have been obtained.
- 5. The final Post Construction Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan, submitted by Thompson Engineering, received on February 18, 2019, with subsequent revisions on February 26, 2019 and March 7, 2019, shall be implemented concurrent with project construction and maintained as proposed.
- 6. Mitigation for the loss of 2.52 acres of jurisdictional wetlands shall be provided by the purchase of mitigation credits from an approved mitigation bank. The purchasing credits must be in accordance with the banking prospectus and should be based upon that required for impacting 2.52 acres of wetlands. Written verification of credit purchase must be provided to the Office of Pollution Control prior to the commencement of any work in the wetland areas.
- 7. 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,

Krystal Rudolph, P.E., BCEE

Chief, Environmental Permits Division

KR: CHB

cc: Ms. Maryellen Farmer, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Mobile District

Ms. Willa Brantley, Department of Marine Resources

Mr. Paul Necaise, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

Ms. Molly Martin, Environmental Protection Agency

Mr. Larry Lewis, BMI Environmental Services, LLC

Mr. Frank Leatherwood, Thompson Engineering