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TRUDY D. FISHER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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Certified Mail No. 7005 1160 0004 1776 9547
Mr. Walter Randle
Pandle, Inc.
2401 Petit Bois Street
Pascagoula, Mississippi 39581

Dear Mr. Randle:

Re: Pandle, Inc.
Proposed Chevron Parking Lot
Jackson County
COE No. SAM201100045TMZ
WQC No. WQC2012092

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, Pandle, Inc., an applicant for a Federal License or permit to conduct the following activity:

> Pandle, Inc., Proposed Chevron Parking Lot: Proposed project to discharge fill material into approximately 6.68 acres of low quality jurisdictional wetlands for the purpose of constructing a parking lot for employees and contractors working at the upcoming facility expansion at the nearby Chevron Pascagoula Refinery. The parking lot will be constructed to accommodate a minimum of 2,000 vehicles, plus a bus drop-off/pick-up area, and will be paved with either crushed concrete or limestone. The vacant 80-acre project site is located in an area that is generally developed for industrial use, including an oil refinery and shipyards. The project site currently consists of herbaceous and graminoid-dominated community maintained by mowing and bush-hogging with some invasion by popcorn trees (Sapium sebiferum) on the eastern portion of the tract. A WRAP habitat quality assessment indicates that the wetlands quality is low. Mitigation for permanent impact to 6.68 acres of low quality wetlands will be accomplished by the purchase of credits from an approved wetland mitigation bank. The proposed project site is located at the junction of Bayou Casotte Parkway and Bayou Avenue in Pascagoula, Jackson County, Mississippi [SAM201100045TMZ, WQC2012092].

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. Coverage under a Stormwater Construction General NPDES Permit shall be obtained prior to the start of construction activities. No construction activities shall begin until such approvals are obtained.

4. Mitigation for the loss of 6.68 acres of low quality wetlands shall be provided by the purchase of mitigation credits from an approved mitigation bank. The number of credits must be in accordance with the banking prospectus and should be based upon that required for impacting 6.68 acres of low quality wetlands. A copy of the credit purchase agreement shall be forwarded to this office within 60 days of this certification.

5. Turbidity outside the limits of a 750-foot mixing zone shall not exceed the ambient turbidity by more than 50 Nephelometric Turbidity Units.

6. No sewage, oil, refuse, or other pollutants shall be discharged into the watercourse.

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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: chb

cc: Tad Zebryk, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Mobile District
Greg Christodoulou, Department of Marine Resources
Paul Necaise, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Bill Ainslie, Environmental Protection Agency
Jason Saucier, Compton Engineering, Inc.

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