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May 23, 2012

Mr. Todd T. Claiborne, Owner
American Sand LLC
9130 Monterey Highway
P O Box 146
Monterey, Tennessee 38574

RE: NOTICE OF NPDES PERMIT EXPIRATION
American Sand LLC
80 Acre Tract
NPDES Permit TN0066265
Putnam County

Dear Mr. Claiborne:

The NPDES permit for this operation will expire on January 21, 2013. In accordance with *Rule 1200-4-5-.05(4)* of the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation and *40 CFR 122.21(d)(2),* the permittee shall submit an application for renewal at least 180 days before the permit expires. Your renewal application must be received on or before July 25, 2012.

Applicants who are renewing their NPDES permit are required to submit EPA application Forms 1 and 2C. These forms can found at the following internet web address:

http://www.tn.gov/environment/permits/h2oforms.shtml

The applicant must also provide information in the form of an alternatives analysis that allows the Department to determine whether reasonable alternatives to degradation are feasible. You may complete Worksheets A and G or substitute materials that provide equivalent information. (See Rules *1200-4-3-.06 (3)(a)*.)

Supplementary information materials may be required in addition to filing the standard EPA application forms. Provisions of *The Tennessee Water Quality Control Act of 1977* and applicable rules and regulations of the Department require submission of supplementary information, designed to provide the Division with the information necessary to make an informed decision regarding permit reissuance.

Please submit the original and two copies of your completed application (including the required maps) to the Division of Water Pollution Control, Mining Section, at the above address. However, if you feel that an NPDES permit is no longer required for your facility, this should be documented in letter form to the Division.

Please note that only the signatures found in the Department's *Rule 1200-4-5-.05 (6)* are acceptable. These requirements are as follows:

(a) For a corporation:

1. by a responsible corporate officer, i.e, a president, secretary, treasurer, or vice-president of the corporation in charge of a principal business function, or any other person who performs similar policy or decision making functions for the corporation;

2 by a manager of one or more manufacturing, production, or operating facilities, provided the manager is authorized to make management decisions which govern the operation of the regulated facility to assure long term environmental compliance with environmental laws and regulations; or

3 by a person in a corporate position to which signatory authority has been delegated by a corporate officer.

(b) For a partnership or sole proprietorship: by a general partner or the proprietor, respectively.

(c) For a municipality, state, federal, or other public agency:

1. a principal executive officer (i.e., the chief executive officer of the agency, or a senior executive officer having responsibility for the overall operations of a principal geographic unit of the agency)

2. ranking elected official.

If you have any questions concerning this correspondence, contact Micheal Robbins at (865) 594-5542 or me at (865) 594-5536.

Sincerely,

Gary W. Mullins

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NPDES Permitting Supervisor
Mining Section
Division of Water Pollution Control

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cc: Cookeville EFO
NPDES File