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Environmental Protection Division

October 15, 2008

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By

Mr. Michael W. Biering
United States Department of the Army
1150 Frank Cochran Drive
Fort Stewart, GA 31314

Re: **USA Fort Stewart Holbrook Area**
WSID# 1790116
Liberty County

Dear Mr. Biering:

In accordance with the Georgia Safe Drinking Water Act of 1977, as passed by the Georgia General Assembly, and the Rules for Safe Drinking Water, Chapter 391-3-5, a permit to operate the USA Fort Stewart Holbrook Area (aka Skeet Range) Water System, a public water system located in Liberty County, Georgia has been issued by the Environmental Protection Division (EPD) and is hereby enclosed. Please provide a copy of this permit to anyone directly involved in the operation or sample collection for this water system.

This permit includes new special coastal conditions required by the "Coastal Georgia Water & Wastewater Permitting Plan for Managing Salt Water Intrusion", which was published by EPD in June 2006. To obtain the most up-to-date information about the coastal permitting plan and copies of the guidelines referenced in the permit conditions, please visit the EPD's website at http://www.gadnr.org/cws/.

The Rules for Safe Drinking Water, Chapter 391-3-5, specify the number and frequency of chemical and microbiological samples that must be analyzed for your water system. The microbiological and chemical water samples must be analyzed by EPD's Laboratory or any other commercial laboratory certified by EPD. If you participate in EPD's "Drinking Water Fee System", the Drinking Water Compliance Program will schedule the chemical monitoring. Sample bottles with instructions for sample collection and shipping will be mailed to you as sampling is required. If you did not contract with the EPD for these laboratory services, you are responsible for complying with all applicable monitoring schedules in the Rules for Safe Drinking Water.

You are urged to become familiar with all applicable sections of the Rules for Safe Drinking Water, especially Section 391-3-5-.15 (Record Maintenance) and Section 391-3-5-.32 (Public Notification). **Remember that all bacteriological and chemical samples, information, and correspondence for this system that are submitted to EPD should be identified by the water system identification number, WSID# 1790116.**

Sincerely,

Kirk A. Chase

Kirk A. Chase
Drinking Water East Unit Manager
Phone: (404) 656-2750

Enclosure

cc: Coastal District Savannah Office, EPD
Liberty County Health Department
File: SR1-B (S)

STATE OF GEORGIA
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION

PERMIT NO.: NG1790116

COUNTY: Liberty

ISSUE DATE OF PERMIT: October 15, 2008

MODIFICATION DATE:

PERMIT
TO OPERATE A
PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM

In compliance with the provisions of the **GEORGIA SAFE DRINKING WATER ACT of 1977, O.C.G.A. 12-5-170 et. seq.**, and the **RULES, CHAPTER 391-3-5**, adopted pursuant to the **ACT**

United States Department of the Army

is issued a **PERMIT TO OPERATE A PUBLIC TRANSIENT NON-COMMUNITY WATER SYSTEM**

named

USA Fort Stewart Holbrook Area (aka Skeet Range)

and located at

Fort Stewart, Georgia

THIS PERMIT to operate the above public water system shall become effective on the date shown above and shall expire, absent any prior revocation or modification, at midnight

October 14, 2018

THIS PERMIT is issued subject to the terms, conditions and schedules of compliance as follows:

1. **THE PERMITTEE** shall at all times operate the public water system in full compliance with the **GEORGIA SAFE DRINKING WATER ACT of 1977**, and the **RULES, CHAPTER 391-3-5**, adopted under the **ACT**. **THE DIRECTOR** may modify, suspend or revoke this permit as provided therein.

2. **THIS PERMIT** is transferable only with a change of ownership. **THE PERMITTEE** shall notify the succeeding owner by letter of the existing permit and surrender the original permit to the Director. The succeeding owner shall apply to the Director for a permit transfer within 30 days of receiving title to the property.

3. **THIS PERMIT** is further subject to the terms, conditions and schedules of compliance specified on the attached pages.

DIRECTOR
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION

STATE OF GEORGIA
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION

OWNER: **United States Department of the Army** ISSUE DATE: **October 15, 2008**

SYSTEM: **USA Fort Stewart Holbrook Area (aka Skeet Range)** PERMIT NO.: **NG1790116**

PERMIT CONDITIONS

4. **This permit is for the operation of a public water system using one (1) well as a source of water supply to serve a maximum of five (5) service connections** as indicated on your application. Any additional sources or service connections must have written approval from the Director before use. The approved source of water is:

Well #1, Source 101, Plant 201

5. The permittee must provide continuous disinfection by chlorinating all water distributed by the system to maintain a detectable residual of free chlorine in the recommended amount of 0.2 milligrams per liter in all parts of the distribution system, or as specified in Section 391-3-5-.14, as amended, of the Rules for Safe Drinking Water.

6. **The permittee shall analyze or have analyzed all microbiological and chemical samples required by the Rules for Safe Drinking Water, Chapter 391-3-5. Monitoring for each contaminant must be performed as scheduled by the Georgia Environmental Protection Division's (EPD) Drinking Water Compliance Program (DWCP). The supplier must provide all test results to the DWCP within the time frames established in the schedules.** The permittee may use the laboratory services of the EPD's certified laboratory or any other laboratory certified by the DWCP to perform the specific analysis. If a laboratory other than the EPD's certified laboratory is used, the laboratory results must be submitted to the following address as specified in Section 391-3-5-.30:

Environmental Protection Division
Drinking Water Compliance Program
Compliance and Enforcement Unit, Suite 1362
2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, SE
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

The format used to report results must be approved by the DWCP and must identify the system by the water system identification number, WSID# 1790116, and the laboratory performing the analysis. The laboratory's certification number must be included on the report. Results requiring immediate notification should be reported to the DWCP by telephone at (404) 656-4807 or fax at (404) 651-9590.

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7. Reports must be maintained by the permittee on the premises of the water system and be available for inspection. **A true and correct copy of the operation records and other reports must be sent to the following address, by the tenth day of the month following the month being reported,** unless otherwise stated in Section 391-3-5-.30 or elsewhere in the Rules:

Environmental Protection Division
Coastal District Savannah Office
6555 Abercorn Street, Suite 130
Savannah, GA 31405-5722
Phone: (912) 353-3225
Fax : (912) 353-3234

8. **The permittee shall insure that this public water system is operated in compliance with the Georgia Certification of Water and Wastewater Treatment Plant Operators and Laboratory Analysts Act**, as amended, and the Rules adopted thereunder. The certification classification must be consistent with the public water system classification specified in Section 391-3-5-.39 of the Rules for Safe Drinking Water.

9. Drinking water distributed by the permittee should not contain any impurity which will cause offense to the sense of sight, taste or smell and should not be excessively corrosive as to cause degradation of the water quality or deterioration of the distribution system, as specified in Section 391-3-5-.19 and .26 of the Rules for Safe Drinking Water.

10. The permittee agrees by accepting this permit that the water service area will be limited to customers residing or conducting business on property under the permittee's ownership. Should the permittee desire to serve drinking water to customers on property owned by individuals other than the permittee, the permittee shall notify and submit to the Division, for review and acceptance prior to service, the required trust indenture guaranteeing continued maintenance and operation of the public water system.

11. The permittee shall meter all existing water sources connected to the public water supply system and shall report the system's water usage to the EPD's Coastal District Savannah Office.

12. The permittee shall provide sanitary protection for each source of water supply, as specified in Section 391-3-5-.07 of the Rules for Safe Drinking Water.

13. The permittee must meter any new water sources connected to the public water supply system.

14. This permit replaces all Permits to Operate a Public Water System previously issued for the operation of this public water system.

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SPECIAL COASTAL PERMIT CONDITIONS

A. The permittee shall develop a **water conservation education program** in accordance with the guidelines provided by the Georgia Environmental Protection Division. A copy of the education program must be submitted to the Division's District Office for concurrence no later than *12 months from the permit issue date.* The program must be updated at intervals determined by the Director.

B. The permittee shall adopt and implement the **outdoor watering schedule** adopted by the Board of Georgia Department of Natural Resources, or an alternate outdoor watering schedule approved by the Georgia Environmental Protection Division. A copy of the adopted outdoor watering schedule must be submitted to the Division's District Office no later than *12 months from the permit issue date.* (Note: Local governments shall enhance the outdoor watering schedule to include a volume and/or time limitation.)

C. The permittee shall conduct a **reuse feasibility study** in accordance with the guidelines provided by the Georgia Environmental Protection Division and submit a copy to the Division's District Office for review and concurrence no later than *24 months from the permit issue date.* Food production facilities are exempt from this requirement.

D. The permittee shall **evaluate alternate water sources** as a substitute for the groundwater used. This assessment shall be conducted in accordance with the guidelines provided by the Georgia Environmental Protection Division and submitted to the Division's District Office for concurrence no later than *24 months from the permit issue date.*

E. The permittee shall adopt a **meter calibration, repair, and replacement program** and submit a copy of that program to the Georgia Environmental Protection Division's District Office for concurrence no later than *12 months from the permit issue date.* The adopted metering program shall include a schedule for installing meters for all water supply sources and service connections that are not currently metered. This program must be updated at intervals determined by the Director.

F. The permittee shall adopt a **water loss control program** in accordance with the guidelines provided by the Georgia Environmental Protection Division and submit an implementation schedule to the Division's District Office for concurrence no later than *12 months from the permit issue date*.

G. The permittee shall **meter all fire hydrant flushing events**.

FACT SHEET

GA Operator Certification Reimbur$ement Program

Georgia Class IV & Class III certification/re-certification for Georgia operators of CWS or NTNCWS systems serving 3,300 persons or fewer

GA Department of Natural Resources - Environmental Protection Division
Water Resources Branch - Drinking Water Program

PURPOSE OF THE PROGRAM

The purpose of the Program is to reimburse the costs of training, including an appropriate per diem for unsalaried (unpaid) operators, and certification for persons currently serving as a Georgia operator, or operator-in-training, at a community or nontransient noncommunity public water systems (drinking water) serving 3,300 persons or fewer that are required to undergo training in accordance with section 1419(d) of the Safe Drinking Water Act. For information concerning the Safe Drinking Water Act, please visit www.epa.gov/safewater/opcert/opcert.htm

Reimbursable expense amounts are based on US EPA Program Funding Assumptions and are subject to a cap that is determined by the number of Program participants on a "per cycle" basis and on your status as a "salaried" or "unsalaried" operator. Upon receipt of certification or renewal of current drinking water license by the GA Secretary of State's office, complete your reimbursement forms and submit your request for reimbursement immediately in order to ensure the best chance for reimbursement. Reimbursements will no longer be available when the money allotted to the Program has been expended.

TRAINING AND LICENSING

Board Approved Georgia Operator Training Facilities are listed on the Georgia Secretary of State website at: www.sos.state.ga.us/plb/water. Training provides the information necessary to pass the Secretary of State Board Examination. An applicant must pass a written examination in order to apply for a certificate. These examinations are conducted periodically at locations such as Atlanta, Albany, Macon, and Savannah. For complete details including dates, locations, and fees for examination, examination forms and more, visit the Secretary of State website at www.sos.state.ga.us/plb/water. Reimbursement will be made ONLY for examinations resulting in a passing score. (Reimbursements will not be made for failed attempts.)

REIMBURSEMENT

Items eligible for reimbursement include (**all items subject to cap**):

- Reimbursement will be made for both water-related (not wastewater) Training Courses and Continuing Education received through classes and/or water conference sessions completed at Secretary of State Board Approved Facilities
- Examination fees (only applicable to one-time "passing" examination) and related fees (exam application fee, examination fee, wall certificate, ID card)
- Mileage to training, conference or examination centers for required courses/continuing education (record odometer reading)
- Per diem for "unsalaried" operators only (this means "receiving no pay" for services)
  - *Per diem* consists of lodging and meals (subject to State Travel Regulations)

Submit the following documents to GA EPD for reimbursement:

Operator Expense Report signed by person (entity) to be reimbursed
Copy of course certificate received at the end of training session signed by the Trainer
System Director Reference letter - unsalaried operators – signed by System Director/Owner
Employment Verification letter - salaried operators – signed by Supervisor/System Director
Copy of current license
Registration form/application form/receipts applicable to Secretary of State certification/re-certification
All applicable receipts/registration forms to support expense claims

Program forms can be accessed at the EPD website at: www.dnr.state.ga.us/dnr/environ. To review Georgia Operating Rules under "Definitions", visit the Georgia Secretary of State's website at: www.sos.state.ga.us/plb/water

Eligible Operators, Systems and Municipalities may request reimbur$ement!