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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION

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

South Georgia Water Services, LLC

is issued a PERMIT TO OPERATE A PUBLIC COMMUNITY WATER SYSTEM named

Sandhill Subdivision

and located at

Ludowici, Long County, Georgia

THIS PERMIT to operate the above public water system shall become effective on August 15, 2017 and shall have a fixed term of ten (10) years, absent any prior revocation or modification.

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.



Richard E. Dunn, Director

Environmental Protection Division

STATE OF GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION

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PERMIT NO.: CG1830033

SYSTEM: Sandhill Subdivision

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 thirty-five (35) 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

- 5. Disinfection treatment is not a requirement of this permit. However, any time the drinking water fails to meet the maximum microbiological contaminant levels of the Rules, it will be the permittee's responsibility to prevent the recurrence of the violation including the immediate purchase, installation, and continuous use of disinfection equipment when determined by the Director.
- 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) Watershed Compliance Program (WCP). The supplier must provide all test results to the WCP 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 WCP 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
Watershed Protection Branch Compliance Program
Drinking Water Compliance Unit
2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, SE, Suite 1152 East
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

The format used to report results must be approved by the WCP and must identify the system by the water system identification number, WSID# 1830033, 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 WCP by telephone at (404) 463-1511 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 Brunswick Office 400 Commerce Center Drive Brunswick, GA 31523-8251 Phone: (912) 264-7284

Fax: (912) 262-3160

- 8. The permittee shall ensure 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. The permittee shall comply with O.C.G.A Sections 12-5-7 and 12-5-8 regarding limitations on outdoor irrigation, local variances from state restrictions on outdoor watering, and any rules and regulations related to drought management promulgated thereafter. This condition applies to any water system that holds a water withdrawal permit, or uses water provided by a system with a withdrawal permit.
- 10. 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.
- 11. The permittee shall comply with Section 391-3-.5-.06 of the Rules for Safe Drinking Water and shall meter all water supply sources connected to the public water system and shall report the system's water usage to the EPD's Coastal District Brunswick Office.
- 12. The permittee shall comply with Section 391-3-5-.10 of the Rules for Safe Drinking Water and shall meter all new services connected to public water systems, unless specifically directed otherwise by the Director.
- 13. 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.
- 14. The permittee is required to have a Business Plan on file with the Division to demonstrate the water system's managerial and financial capacity to comply with all drinking water regulations in effect, or likely to be in effect. The Business Plan must be updated at intervals determined by the Director.
- 15. 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 administer a water conservation education program in accordance with the guidelines provided by the Georgia Environmental Protection Division. The program must be updated at intervals determined by the Director.

- B. The permittee shall administer a conservation-oriented water rate structure for all of its customers, in accordance with the guidelines provided by the Georgia Environmental Protection Division. This program must be updated at intervals determined by the Director.
- C. The permittee shall administer a meter calibration, repair, and replacement program that includes: (1) a schedule for installing meters for all water supply sources and service connections that are not currently metered; and, (2) annual calibration for meters for those users representing at least the top 10% of water users. This program must be updated at intervals determined by the Director.