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MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

August 13, 2024

Mr. Rick Camerena CamDav, LLC 2082 Beach Drive Gulfport, Mississippi 39507

Dear Mr. Camerena:

Re: WQC2022055 Modification

CamDav, LLC

Highway 49 Storage Facility

Harrison County

COE No. SAM202200901AMR

WQC No. WQC2022055

The Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality understands the need for modification to the Section 401 Water Quality Certification (WQC) as referenced above. This modification request incorporates a reduction in impacts to the perennial stream from 0.07 acres to 0.02 acres, as well as a modification to the required mitigation as outlined in Condition 5 below. The WQC, WQC2022055, was issued on May 3, 2024. Please be advised that this modified Water Quality Certification replaces the previously authorized WQC, and all conditions and requirements remain in place as described below.

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 CamDav, LLC, an applicant for a Federal License or permit to conduct the following activity:

CamDav, LLC, Highway 49 Storage Facility: Proposed project to fill 2.32 acres of wetlands and 0.02 acres of perennial stream to develop a storage facility on a 4-acre commercial property. The project will include the construction of two climate-controlled buildings that are 15,759 square feet and 52,315 square feet, roads, parking, and two detention ponds. The project will be located west of U.S. Highway 49 in Gulfport, Harrison County, Mississippi [SAM202200901AMR, WQC2022055].

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 a Department approved wastewater collection and treatment system. All wastewater, including process wastewater, shall be properly treated and disposed in accordance with 11 Mississippi Administrative Code Part 6, Chapter 1. (Statement G) (11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 6, R.1.1.1.B)
- 2. For construction activities, 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 offsite and into adjacent avoided wetland areas and adjacent waters. In the event of any BMP failure, corrective actions shall be taken immediately. (Statement F) (11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 6, R. 1.1.1.B.)
- 3. For projects greater than one, to less the five acres of total ground disturbances including clearing, grading, excavating, or other construction activities, the applicant shall follow the conditions and limitations of the State of Mississippi's Small Construction Storm Water General NPDES Permit. No construction activities shall begin until the necessary approvals and/or permits have been obtained. (Statement F) (11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 6, R. 1.1.1.B)
- 4. The post-construction stormwater management plan submitted on November 15, 2023, prepared by Fountain & Associates, LLC by way of Ecological Asset Management, LLC, shall be implemented concurrent with project construction and maintained as proposed. (Statement F) (11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 6, R.1.3.4.A (9))
- 5. Mitigation for the impacts to 2.32 acres of 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 2.32 acres of wetlands. Written verification of credit purchase must be provided to OPC. (Statement E) (11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 6, R.2.2.A.)
- 6. Turbidity outside the limits of a 750-foot mixing zone shall not exceed the ambient turbidity by more than 50 Nephelometric Turbidity Units. (Statement A) (11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 6, R.2.2.A.(3))
- 7. No sewage, oil, refuse, or other pollutants shall be discharged into the watercourse. (Statement A) (11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 6, R.2.2.A.(3))

As part of the Scope of Review for Application Decisions, 11 Mississippi Administrative Code Part 6, Rule 1.3.4(B), the above conditions are necessary for the Department to ensure that appropriate measures will be taken to eliminate unreasonable degradation and irreparable harm to waters of the State, such that the activity will not meet the criteria for denial:

- (A) The proposed activity permanently alters the aquatic ecosystem such that water quality criteria are violated and/or it no longer supports its existing or classified uses. An example is the channelization of streams.
- (B) There is a feasible alternative to the activity which reduces adverse consequences on water quality and classified or existing uses of waters of the State.
- (C) The proposed activity adversely impacts waters containing State or federally recognized threatened or endangered species.
- (D) The proposed activity adversely impacts a special or unique aquatic habitat, such as National or State Wild and Scenic Rivers and/or State Outstanding Resource Waters.
- (E) The proposed activity in conjunction with other activities may result in adverse cumulative impacts.
- (F) Nonpoint source/storm water management practices necessary to protect water quality have not been proposed.
- (G)Denial of wastewater permits and/or approvals by the State with regard to the proposed activities.
- (H) The proposed activity results in significant environmental impacts which may adversely impact water quality.

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 you have any questions, please contact Carrie Barefoot.

Sincerely,

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Chief, Environmental Permits Division

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cc: Maryellen Farmer, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Mobile District Jamie Becker, Environmental Protection Agency Mitch Tinsley, Ecological Asset Management, LLC Freddie Fountain, Fountain & Associates, LLC