



STATE OF MISSISSIPPI  
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MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY  
GARY C. RIKARD, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

October 27, 2017

**CERTIFIED MAIL #7010 1670 0000 1400 1235**

Mr. Tom Douglas, President  
Gold Coast Commodities  
PO Box 3  
Brandon, MS 39043

**Re: Gold Coast Commodities  
Commission Order No. 6805 17**

Mr. Douglas:

Enclosed you will find a copy of Commission Order No. 6805 17, which has been executed by the Executive Director of the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality, Gary Rikard, on behalf of the Mississippi Commission on Environmental Quality.

If you have any questions regarding your obligations under the enclosed order, please contact Danny Beasley at (601) 961-5356.

Sincerely,

Tim Aultman, P.E.  
Chief, Environmental Compliance and Enforcement Division

Enclosure  
cc: Danny Beasley

Agency Interest No. 1257  
ENF20170002

BEFORE THE MISSISSIPPI COMMISSION  
ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

MISSISSIPPI COMMISSION ON  
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

COMPLAINANT

6805 17  
ORDER NO. \_\_\_\_\_

VS.

GOLD COAST COMMODITIES, INC.  
817 NORTH COLLEGE STREET  
BRANDON, MISSISSIPPI 39042

RESPONDENT

ORDER

The above captioned cause came before the Executive Director of the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) this day for ex parte consideration under the authority of Miss. Code Ann. § 49-2-13, and the Executive Director, having heard and considered the evidence herein, and having determined that an Administrative Order should issue prefatory to any evidentiary hearing and without making any final adjudication of fact or law, finds as follows:

1.

The Respondent is subject to the Mississippi Air and Water Pollution Control Law, Miss. Code Ann. § 49-17-1 et seq., and the rules and regulations of the Mississippi Commission on Environmental Quality (Commission), including Wastewater Regulations for National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permits, Underground Injection Control (UIC) Permits, State Permits, Water Quality Based Effluent Limitations, and Water Quality Certification, 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 6, Ch. 1.

2.

An inspection by MDEQ staff on October 24, 2017, of the Walker Environmental Services, Inc. d/b/a Rebel High Velocity Sewer Services facility located at 333 Wilmington Street, Jackson, Hinds County, Mississippi revealed that Walker was receiving wastewater from the Respondent and disposing of this wastewater into the City of Jackson's publicly owned treatment works (POTW)

without proper authorization. This unauthorized disposal resulted in the following violation:

A. Respondent did place or cause to be placed wastes in a location where they are likely to cause pollution of any waters of the state in violation of Miss. Code Ann. § 49-17-29(2)(a). Specifically, the Respondent caused, allowed, and/or contracted with Walker for the disposal of untreated or partially treated wastewater received into the City of Jackson's POTW which is likely to cause interference at the Savanna Street plant and result in pollution of a water of the state.

3.

Premises considered, the Executive Director finds that the Respondent is in violation of Miss. Code Ann. §§ 49-17-29.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED, under the authority of Miss. Code Ann. § 49-2-13, that Respondent shall immediately **cease and desist** sending its wastewater to Walker until such time that Walker can demonstrate disposal in compliance with all applicable federal, state, and local laws. Such demonstration shall include written approval from MDEQ explicitly approving disposal of Respondent's wastewater.

IT IS, THEREFORE, FURTHER ORDERED, that Respondent shall not dispose of their wastewater at any facility located within the state of Mississippi that cannot demonstrate the ability to properly and legally process and dispose of such wastewater. Such demonstration shall include written approval from MDEQ explicitly approving disposal of Respondent's wastewater.

IT IS, THEREFORE, FURTHER ORDERED, that Respondent shall submit on or before October 31, 2017, for MDEQ review and approval a plan detailing the method of proper disposal of any generated wastewater. Documentation of the proper disposal of such wastewater shall be maintained by the Respondent and submitted to MDEQ on the first day of each calendar month with the first submittal due on December 1, 2017.

4.

Nothing contained in this Order shall limit the rights of MDEQ or the Commission to take enforcement or other actions against Respondent for violations not addressed herein and for future violations of environmental laws, rules, and regulations.

5.

This Order does not address fines, penalties, other sanctions, further actions, and/or future violations of environmental laws, rules, and regulations. Nothing contained in this Order shall limit the rights of the Commission to take enforcement or other actions against Respondent for violations addressed herein, violations not addressed herein, fines, penalties, other sanctions, further actions, and/or future violations of environmental laws, rules, and regulations.

6.

If aggrieved by this Order, Respondent may request a hearing before the Commission by filing a sworn petition with the Commission within thirty (30) days after the date of this Order by the manner set forth in Miss. Code Ann. § 49-17-41.

ORDERED, this the 27<sup>TH</sup> day of OCTOBER 2017.

MISSISSIPPI COMMISSION ON  
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

BY: 

GARY C. RIKARD  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR  
MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF  
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY