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LIEUTENANT COLONEL CULLEN A JONES  
DISTRICT ENGINEER  
NASHVILLE DISTRICT  
U S ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
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NASHVILLE TN 37214-2660

RE: Clean Water Act (CWA) Section 401 Water Quality Certification, Public Notice AL18-32, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (COE) Programmatic General Permit (18-PGP-01) For Minor Structures, Fill and Work in Tennessee Valley Authority Reservoirs Within the State of Alabama

Dear Lt. Colonel Jones:

This office has completed a review of the above-referenced joint public notice and all associated materials submitted related to the proposed project. Any comments made during the public notice period have also been forwarded to us for review. The COE issued the Programmatic General Permit 18-PGP-01 on August 10, 2018, with an expiration date of August 9, 2023.

Because action pertinent to water quality certification (WQC) is required by Section 401(a)(1) of the Clean Water Act (CWA), 33 U.S.C. Section 1251, et seq., we hereby issue certification, for a period **not to exceed five (5) years** from the date of issuance, that there is reasonable assurance that the discharge resulting from the proposed activities as submitted will not violate applicable water quality standards established under Section 303 of the CWA and Title 22, Section 22-22-9(g), Code of Alabama, 1975, provided the applicant acts in accordance with the following conditions as specified. We further certify that there are no applicable effluent limitations under Section 301 and 302 nor applicable standards under Section 306 and 307 of the CWA in regard to the activities specified.

To minimize adverse impacts to State waters, by copy of this letter we are requesting the Nashville District Corps of Engineers ensure that activities authorized under the PGP are conducted by individual applicants consistent with the requirements of the August 18, 2016, Water Quality Certification *Clean Water Act (CWA) Section 401 Water Quality Certification (WQC), U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (COE) Proposed 2016 Reissuance of Alabama General Permits (ALGPs) for Minor Structures and Activities Within the State of Alabama* (copy attached), applicable to and commensurate with the location, size, scope, and type of activity proposed/authorized.

Should you have any questions on this or related matters, please do not hesitate to contact Richard Hulcher, Office of Field Services, by email at [rh@adem.alabama.gov](mailto:rh@adem.alabama.gov) or by phone at (334) 394-4311.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Anthony Scott Hughes".

Anthony Scott Hughes, Chief  
Field Operations Division

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c: Permits & Services Division, ADEM  
Tennessee Valley Authority

