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December 20, 2017

Mr. Daniel F. McLawhorn, Chairman  
The Neuse River Compliance Association  
PO Box 1410  
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Subject: Modification of Permit No. NCC000001  
Neuse River Compliance Association

Dear Mr. McLawhorn:

Total Nitrogen limits in the NRCA group permit are, by rule, derived from the limits found in the members' individual NPDES permits. SGWASA's TN limit has changed as the result of Stage 1 requirements in the Falls Lake nutrient strategy. Therefore, Division is modifying the group permit to revise SGWASA's individual holdings and the group's Estuary TN Limit, effective January 1, 2018. This minor permit modification is issued pursuant to the requirements of North Carolina General Statute 143-215.1 and the Memorandum of Agreement between North Carolina and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, dated October 15, 2007 (or as subsequently amended).

The permit includes the following changes:

- The active discharge allocation for SGWASA is reduced to equal its nitrogen limit under the Falls Lake strategy, effective for CY2016. The allocation removed is converted to reserve status and listed with other reserve allocations near the end of the Appendix A table. This reserve allocation is still held by SGWASA.
- The reduction in SGWASA's estuary allocation is 3,618 lb/yr and is deducted from the Association's Estuary TN Limit and added to the group's reserve allocations. Its total allocation, that is, the sum of active and reserved values, does not change.
- References to NCDENR and EEP in the permit were updated to reflect name changes since the permit was last issued.

All other terms and conditions contained in the current permit remain unchanged and in full effect. The Association's Estuary TN Allocation remains at 1,195,428 lb/yr. Due to SGWASA's revised limit, the group's Estuary TN Limit is reduced to 1,187,213 lb/yr.

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If any parts of this permit modification are unacceptable to you, you have the right to an adjudicatory hearing upon written request within thirty (30) days following receipt of this letter. This request must be a written petition conforming to Chapter 150B of the North Carolina General Statutes, filed with the Office of Administrative Hearings (6714 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-6714). Unless such demand is made, this decision shall be final and binding.

If you have any questions concerning the draft permit, please contact Mike Templeton at (919) 807-6402 or at [mike.templeton@ncdenr.gov](mailto:mike.templeton@ncdenr.gov).

Sincerely,



for Linda Culpepper, Interim Director  
Division of Water Resources

Enclosure(s): NPDES Permit NCC000001 and Fact Sheet Addendum

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