

Florida Department of Environmental Protection

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Dear Permittee:

It has come to the attention of the Department that the Wastewater Treatment Plant ("WWTP"), for which you are the Permittee, will have the ability to connect to the City of Marathon Area 3 Central Sewer System in the very near future. As such, we are providing the following information concerning Florida Department of Environmental Protection ("FDEP") collection system permitting requirements and WWTP abandonment requirements for your review. Please adhere to all Department collection system and WWTP requirements, including those for injection wells, in order to ensure compliance with FDEP regulations.

For detailed information and guidance concerning collection system requirements, please visit http://www.dep.state.fl.us/water/wastewater/dom/domcollect.htm.

<u>Please be advised that the permitted wastewater collection system is not to be placed in to service until the project is cleared for use by the Department.</u>

Upon connection to the municipal system, the WWTP and injection well system must be properly abandoned as required by the General Conditions of the current WWTP operating permit.

A written plan for abandonment must be submitted to the Department no later than sixty (60) days prior to abandonment of the WWTP. As WWTPs vary, the plan should address the specific conditions for abandonment of your Facility. In addition to the abandonment plan, a Department permit must be obtained in order to abandon the injection wells.

Please be advised that if you intend to demolish the WWTP, a Notice of Demolition or Asbestos Renovation must be submitted at least 10 business days prior to starting the demolition. Florida Administrative Code Rule 62-257.301(1) states that the notice requirements of Chapter 62-257, Asbestos Program, apply to each owner or operator of the site for any demolition of a facility regardless of whether or not asbestos is present.

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Should you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Devon Villareal (<u>Devon.Villareal@dep.state.fl.us</u>) in the Water Facilities Section or Barbara Nevins (<u>Barbara.Nevins@dep.state.fl.us</u>) of the Air Resource Section for asbestos notification questions. Either program may be reached in our Marathon Branch Office at (305)289-7070.

Thank you for your prompt attention to these matters.

Sincerely,

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Environmental Administrator

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