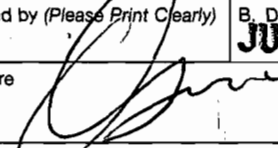


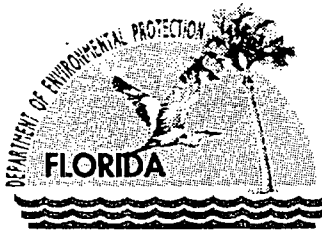
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CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

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Re: Extension of Expiration Date of Permit Nos. 0570039-003-AC & 0570039-004-AC
Big Bend Station, FGD System, Units 1 & 2

The applicant applied on June 26, 2000 to the Department for an extension of the expiration date of air construction permit numbers 0570039-003-AC & 0570039-004-AC for its FGD System for Units 1 & 2, located at Big Bend Station, 6944 US Highway 41 North, Apollo Beach, Hillsborough County. The fee for this request was received on June 29, 2000. The Department has reviewed the request. The expiration date is hereby extended from August 25, 2000 to December 31, 2000 to allow the permit to remain in effect until issuance of a Title V operating permit.

A copy of this letter shall be filed with the referenced permit and shall become part of the permit. This permitting decision is issued pursuant to Chapter 403, Florida Statutes.

A person whose substantial interests are affected by the proposed permitting decision may petition for an administrative proceeding (hearing) under sections 120.569 and 120.57 of the Florida Statutes. The petition must contain the information set forth below and must be filed (received) in the Office of General Counsel of the Department at 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Mail Station #35, Tallahassee, Florida, 32399-3000. Petitions filed by the permit applicant or any of the parties listed below must be filed within fourteen days of receipt of this notice of intent. Petitions filed by any persons other than those entitled to written notice under section 120.60(3) of the Florida Statutes must be filed within fourteen days of publication of the public notice or within fourteen days of receipt of this notice of intent, whichever occurs first. Under section 120.60(3), however, any person who asked the Department for notice of agency action may file a petition within fourteen days of receipt of that notice, regardless of the date of publication. A petitioner shall mail a copy of the petition to the applicant at the address indicated above at the time of filing. The failure of any person to file a petition within the appropriate time period shall constitute a waiver of that person's right to request an administrative determination (hearing) under sections 120.569 and 120.57 F.S., or to intervene in this proceeding and participate as a party to it. Any subsequent intervention will be only at the approval of the presiding officer upon the filing of a motion in compliance with Rule 28-106.205 of the Florida Administrative Code.

A petition that disputes the material facts on which the Department's action is based must contain the following information: (a) The name and address of each agency affected and each agency's file or identification number, if known; (b) The name, address, and telephone number of the petitioner, the name, address, and telephone number of the petitioner's representative, if any, which shall be the address for service purposes during the course of the proceeding; and an explanation of how the petitioner's substantial interests will be affected by the agency determination; (c) A statement of how and when petitioner received notice of the agency action or proposed action; (d) A statement of all disputed issues

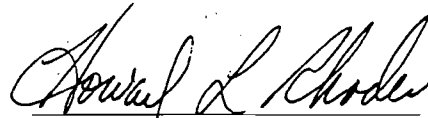
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110.106, F.A.C., and the petition conforms to the content requirements of Rules 28-106.201 and 28-106.301, F.A.C. Upon timely filing of a petition or a request for extension of time, this order will not be effective until further order of the Department.

Any party to this permitting decision (order) has the right to seek judicial review of it under section 120.68 of the Florida Statutes, by filing a notice of appeal under Rule 9.110 of the Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure with the clerk of the Department of Environmental Protection in the Office of General Counsel, Mail Station #35, 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida, 32399-3000, and by filing a copy of the notice of appeal accompanied by the applicable filing fees with the appropriate District Court of Appeal. The notice must be filed within thirty days after this order is filed with the clerk of the Department.

Executed in Tallahassee, Florida.



Howard L. Rhodes, Director
Division of Air Resources
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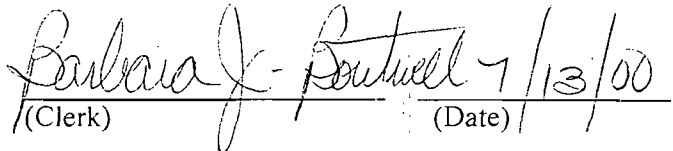
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The undersigned duly designated deputy agency clerk hereby certifies that this order was sent by certified mail (*) and copies were mailed by U.S. Mail before the close of business on 7/13/00 to the person(s) listed:

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FILING AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT FILED,
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Via FedEx
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If you have any additional questions or comments, feel free to contact me at (813) 641-5033.

Sincerely,

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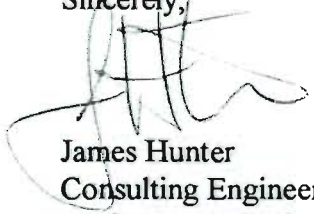
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