



STATE OF TENNESSEE
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION
DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES

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RE: **TUCKALEECHEE UTILITY DISTRICT (PWSID TN0000714)**
Blount County
Project Number: DW20240125
Blount County Water Transmission Improvements - Contract A

Dear Mr. Southard:

The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, Division of Water Resources, acknowledges receipt of construction documents for the referenced project on February 6, 2024, with additional requested information received on May 7, 2024.

This project generally consists of approximately 12,776 linear feet of 12-inch, 707 linear feet of 8-inch, and 20 linear feet of 4-inch ductile iron pipe water line, two 16-inch HDPE river crossings, valves, and all related appurtenances. As indicated by our stamp, this project has been approved for construction.

This letter, with the enclosed engineering documents bearing our official stamp, constitutes approval by the Commissioner of the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation for construction of the referenced facility. Approval is granted in accordance with the Tennessee Safe Drinking Water Act of 1983 and Regulations of the Tennessee Board of Water Quality, Oil and Gas. One complete set of plans and specifications, bearing the official stamp, must be kept at the construction site. Projects utilizing previously approved standard specifications are not required to maintain a stamped copy of the specifications at the construction site. All construction must conform with these approved documents. It is the responsibility of the water utility and/or their engineer to ensure that construction conforms to the plans and specifications.

Approval expires one year from the stamped approval date (May 18, 2024) unless construction is either underway or complete. Deviations from the approved plan documents which may affect the

quality or quantity of potable water must be submitted and approved in writing before such changes are made.

The Knoxville Environmental Field Office should also be contacted for determinations regarding whether an Aquatic Resource Alteration Permit (ARAP) and/or a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) construction stormwater permit will need to be obtained prior to the beginning of construction of this project.

The Division's appropriate Field Office may desire to schedule an inspection of the construction work to verify compliance with the approved plans and specifications. Therefore the engineer or the water utility shall notify the Knoxville Field Office of the start of construction. This notification may be made by completing and sending the attached "Construction Start Notification" form to the field office.

To expedite matters, please reference the assigned drinking water project number DW20240125 on any future correspondence. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Ms. Cindy Wheeler, PE at 615-939-0058 or by E-mail at *cindy.wheeler@tn.gov*.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures: Approved Construction Documents
Construction Start Notification Form

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