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Vojin,

In accordance with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency/State of Tennessee Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) Section IV, EPA is providing the below comment and recommendation to the above-referenced draft individual National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit and supporting documents received by the EPA on March 21, 2023.

• Federal regulations at 40 CFR § 122.21(b) state that when a facility or activity is owned by one person but is operated by another person, it is the operator's duty to obtain a permit. EPA recommends that if the permittee contracts out the operations of the facility, the operator should become a co-permittee prior to discharge.

Prior to the issuance of a final permit, TDEC is responsible for compiling all significant comments received during the public comment period and responding to all significant comments in accordance with 40 CFR § 124.17(a).

This concludes our review of the draft permit. If you have any questions about the comment and recommendation, please let me know.

Thanks,

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