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VIA EMAIL AND HAND DELIVERY

Mr. Paul E. Davis, Director
Division of Water Pollution Control
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RE: Dr. Lee Hunter, Director's Order and Assessment, Case No.
WPC07-0156

Dear Mr. Davis:

This letter will serve as appeal of the Director's Order and Assessment, TDEC Case Number WPC07-0156. Dr. Lee Hunter, the Respondent, appeals the Order and has retained this firm to represent him in the appeal. Dr. Hunter received the Order on August 4, 2007; thus, this appeal is timely filed. As general grounds for the appeal, Dr. Hunter does not agree with all of the facts as set forth in the Order, contends that he did not commit some or all of the violations set forth in the Order, and appeals the requirements and civil penalties set forth in the Order. Dr. Hunter requests negotiations with TDEC to resolve this matter, and if the negotiations do not result in settlement, Dr. Hunter requests a hearing in front of the Tennessee Water Quality Control Board.

We will supplement this letter with more specific contentions next week. In the meantime, please let me know if you have any questions.

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Very truly yours,


Michael K. Stagg

cc: Patrick Parker, TDEC Office of General Counsel
Dr. Lee Hunter