



South Carolina Department of Health
and Environmental Control

Department Decision

Air Quality Construction Permit No. 0980-0047-CA

**Piedmont Wood Pellet Johnston, LLC
Across from 490 SC Highway 121
Johnston, South Carolina**

May 06, 2014

In accordance with the provisions of the amended appeal process for DHEC decisions in 2006 Act No. 387, Section 44-1-60(D), and the 1976 Code of Laws of South Carolina, as amended, a Department Decision has been made to issue Air Quality Construction Permit No. 0980-0047-CA to the above-named permittee. This permit was previously placed on public notice and open for public comment from April 2, 2014, through May 1, 2014. A public meeting was held by DHEC's Bureau of Air Quality on April 15, 2014, to receive oral and written comments on the proposed project. Adverse public comments were received by DHEC during the comment period. Comments received during the formal comment period regarding air quality issues have been addressed in DHEC's *Responses to Comments on Air Quality* document attached to this Department Decision. DHEC's decision to issue this permit has been made after consideration and a complete review of the following: the air permit application, applicable state and federal air quality regulations, comments and concerns made at the public meeting and all other comments received within the required time frame, and all other pertinent information.

This Department Decision regarding Air Quality Construction Permit No. 0980-0047-CA includes the following; a) the issued permit (Attachment A) which meets the requirements of all applicable air quality regulations; b) a summary of the project, permit, and applicable regulations as outlined in the Statement of Basis (Attachment B); and c) a summary of the comments made by concerned citizens regarding air quality issues and responses by the Bureau of Air Quality, as outlined in the *Responses to Comments on Air Quality* (Attachment C). This Department Decision (including attachments) will be included in DHEC's administrative record for this permit decision.

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