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DATE: May 1, 2003

Division of Commission Clerk and Administrative Services TO:

FROM: Division of Economic Regulation (Fitch) RF-Office Of General Counsel (Harris)

Docket No. 010828-SU, Application for a Staff Assisted Rate Case by Harder Hall-RE:

Howard, Inc.

Pursuant to Order No. PSC-02-0382-PAA-SU, Harder Hall-Howard, Inc. was required to complete several pro forma improvements required by DEP as outlined in the body of that order. The order further specified that the docket shall be closed administratively once staff has verified that the pro forma has been completed. Attached is a letter from Keith Kleinmann, with the compliance division at the DEP. This letter specifies that the utility has completed its required plant improvements, the same improvements which were required in the above referenced order. Staff believes that this letter from the DEP is sufficient to verify that the proforma improvements have been completed. Therefore, we recommend that this docket be closed administratively.

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Department of Environmental Protection

Jeb Bush Governor South District P.O. Box 2549 Fort Myers, Florida 33902-2549

David B. Struhs Secretary

April 28, 2003

Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd . Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re: Highlands - DW

Harder Hall WWTP FLA014336-002-DW3P 03 APR 30 AT 9: 46

Dear Mr. Davis:

A field inspection of the above referenced WWTP was conducted on April 15, 2003 to verify the completion of the Corrective Actions referenced in the above referenced permit. In addition, a review of the Department files was performed. According to the permittee's Operation and Maintenance Performance Report and the project engineer's July 16, 2001 letter, the following corrective actions have been completed according to the following schedule:

	Corrective Action	Completion Date
1.	Procure and keep on hand either portable or in-place internal combustion engine equipment that is capable of generating a sufficient amount of electrical or mechanical energy to power the plant during power failures and so notify the Department in writing.	Ninety days from date of permit issuance. COMPLETED
2.	Construct a new 25,000 gallon aeration tank; convert an existing 13,500 gallon digester tank to an aeration tank; construct a new 15,000 gallon digester tank; add bar screen/splitter box and add a backup 7.5 horsepower blower and submit a certification of completion to the Department.	Ninety days from date of permit issuance. COMPLETED
3.	Remove sand and grease from surge tanks. Ensure material is taken to a Department-approved disposal site (landfill) and so notify the Department in writing.	120 days from date of permit issuance. COMPLETED
4.	Remove sand and grease from influent lift stations. Ensure material is taken to a Department-approved disposal site (see specific condition number II.41 of this permit) and so notify the Department in writing.	120 days from date of permit issuance. COMPLETED
5.	Replace/repair walkway grating and so notify the Department in writing.	120 days from date of permit issuance. COMPLETED

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	Corrective Action	Completion Date
	Remove wastewater treatment plant's existing access ladder and install access stairway. Stairway design shall comply with the provisions of Section 46.5 of Ten States' Standards (1978 edition). Stairway slope shall be between thirty degrees (30°) and fifty degrees (50°) from the horizontal. Each stairway tread and riser shall be of uniform dimension in each flight. Minimum tread run shall not exceed eight inches (8"). The sum of the tread run and riser shall not be less than seventeen inches (17") or more than eighteen inches (18") and so notify the Department in writing.	COMPLETED
6.	Repair audible alarm on lift station at Medina Way and 13 th and so notify the Department in writing.	120 days from date of permit issuance. COMPLETED
7.	Install fencing around the percolation ponds and so notify the Department in writing.	120 days from date of permit issuance. COMPLETED
8.		180 days from date of permit issuance. COMPLETED

The has found that corrective actions have been met. Therefore, the plant is in compliance with the permit.

If you have any question, please do not hesitate to call **Holly L. Bauer-Windhorst at (239) 332-6975, ext. 176.** Your cooperation is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Keith Kleinmann

Environmental Manager

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cc:

Paul E. Howard John Armstrong