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To: Registered PPM Holders  
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Subject: A Message from Brian Blanchard - Effective Immediately: Stormwater Permitting Changes

Registered PPM Holders:

The stormwater discharge permitting authority for construction activities in the State of Florida has recently changed. The State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) is now the sole permitting authority for stormwater in Florida. This means the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is out of the picture and the EPA National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) General Permit is no longer valid. It has been replaced with the new DEP Generic Permit for Stormwater Discharge from Large and Small Construction Activities.

The new DEP permit, the corresponding Notice of Intent (NOI) and Notice of Termination (NOT) forms, and additional permit information can be found on the DEP web page at:

<http://www.dep.state.fl.us/water/stormwater/npdes/index.htm>

We are currently in the process of updating the Plans Preparation Manual (PPM) to reflect these changes, and although they will not be reflected in the PPM until the January 1, 2004 Update, these changes have already been implemented. These permit changes have also had impacts on the Construction Office and the Specifications Office, and they have already posted their modifications on their respective web pages:

Construction (Memo Number 21-03):

<http://www11.myflorida.com/construction/memos/2003/dce21-03.pdf>  
and [http://www11.myflorida.com/construction/memos/2003/dce21\\_Attach.pdf](http://www11.myflorida.com/construction/memos/2003/dce21_Attach.pdf)

Specifications (Mandatory Revision No. 1: Specification Numbers 7-2.2, 104-5, and 104-7.1):

<http://www11.myflorida.com/specificationsoffice/Mandatory/July03WB/specrev1.pdf>

Any questions regarding the above permit changes may be directed to your District Permitting Coordinator or the Statewide NPDES and Environmental Permit Coordinator, Donna Pope at (850) 410-5883 or SC 210-5883.

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