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August 3, 1987

CERTIFIED MAIL (P 625-511-274)
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Hon. J. D. Falkner, Mayor
City of Columbiana
Post Office Box 528
Columbiana, Alabama 35051

Dear Mayor Falkner:

Enclosed please find Administrative Order No. 87-071-WP which requires the City of Columbiana to take certain actions regarding the discharge of pollutants into waters of the state.

Please be advised that failure to comply with the terms of this Order can result in penalties of up to \$25,000 per day for each violation, as well as possible criminal penalties.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Olivia Hardy Hudgins
Associate General Counsel

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Enclosure

cc: Charles Horn, Chief
Water Division

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Municipal Branch

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ALABAMA DEPARTMENT
OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

IN THE MATTER OF

THE CITY OF COLUMBIANA
NPDES PERMIT NO. AL0024589

ORDER No. 87-071-WP

FINDINGS OF FACT

Pursuant to the provisions of the Alabama Environmental Management Act, Code of Alabama 1975, §§ 22-22A-1 to 22-22A-16 (1984 and 1986 Cum. Supp.), and the Alabama Water Pollution Control Act, Code of Alabama 1975, §§ 22-22-1 to 22-22-14 (1984 and 1986 Cum. Supp.), and the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System administered by the Alabama Department of Environmental Management (hereinafter, "the Department") and approved by the Administrator of the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act § 402, 33 U.S.C. § 1342, the Department makes the following FINDINGS OF FACT:

1. The City of Columbiana (hereinafter, "the Permittee") operates a waste treatment facility known as Columbiana Lagoon which discharges pollutants from a point source into Waxahatchee Creek, a water of the State.

2. The Permittee has a valid NPDES Permit Number AL0024589 which establishes limitations on the discharge of pollutants from such point source, designated therein as outfall number 001, into Waxahatchee Creek.

3. On August 28, 1985, the Department issued Order No. 85-091-WP to the Permittee, which required the Permittee to comply with interim discharge limitations and a schedule for design, financing and construction of new or additional treatment

works or modification of existing treatment works necessary for the Permittee to achieve compliance with the discharge limitations in NPDES Permit No. AL0024589.

4. The Permittee has violated Order No. 85-091-WP by failing to start construction of new or additional treatment works or modification of existing treatment works necessary for the Permittee to achieve compliance with the discharge limitations in NPDES Permit No. AL0024589.

ORDER

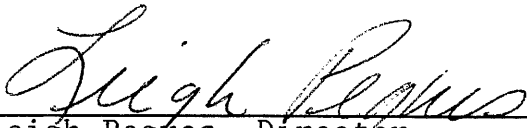
Based upon the foregoing FINDINGS OF FACT and pursuant to Code of Alabama 1975, §§ 22-22A-5(10), 22-22-9(c), 22-22-9(i) and 22-22-9(k) (1984 and 1986 Cum. Supp.) and the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System administered by the Department and approved by the Administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act § 402, 33 U.S.C. § 1342, it is hereby ORDERED:

A. That with the exception of individual residences which the county health officer certifies in writing to have a sewage disposal system which constitutes a health hazard, the Permittee shall not authorize, permit, cause, suffer or allow the introduction of any pollutants into any portion of the sanitary sewer system which conveys pollutants to the Columbiana Lagoon by a source not introducing pollutants into such system on the date notice of this Order is received by the Permittee.

B. That failure to comply with the provisions of this Order shall constitute cause for the commencement of legal or administrative action for the recovery of civil penalties, criminal fines or other appropriate relief by the Department or others against the Permittee.

C. That issuance of this Order does not preclude the Department or others from seeking civil penalties, criminal fines or other appropriate sanctions or relief against the Permittee for the violations stated herein.

ORDERED and ISSUED this _____ day of _____ 1987.



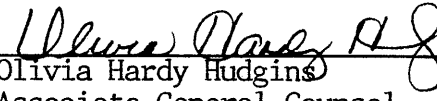
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Olivia Hardy Hudgins, hereby certify that I have served Order No. 87-071-WP upon the City of Columbiana by sending the same, postage paid, through the United States Mail, as Certified Mail No. P 625-511-274, with instructions to forward and return receipt requested to:

**Honorable J. D. Falkner, Mayor
City of Columbiana
Post Office Box 528
Columbiana, Alabama 35051**

Done this 3rd day of August, 1987.



Olivia Hardy Hudgins
Associate General Counsel