NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR

MARTIN MARIETTA MATERIALS – PROPOSED VANCEBORO QUARRY APPLICATION FOR 401 WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION AND APPLICATION FOR NEW NPDES DISCHARGE PERMIT

NORTH CAROLINA DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY

The North Carolina Division of Water Quality will hold a public hearing on Thursday March 14, 2013, beginning at 7:00 pm at the Beaufort County Community College, Building 8-Auditorium, 5337 Highway 264 East, Washington, NC 27889. Doors will open at 6:00 pm for speaker registration and sign-in. The purpose of the public hearing is to allow interested persons to submit oral and/or written comments on the proposed Martin Marietta Materials Vanceboro Quarry, specifically regarding the 1) application for 401 Water Quality Certification, and 2) application for new NPDES discharge permit.

Background/401 Certification

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that Martin Marietta Materials has applied to the North Carolina Division of Water Quality (DWQ) for a 401 Water Quality Certification pursuant to Section 401 of the Federal Clean Water Act and Water Quality Commission rules in 15A NCAC 2B .0101, 15A NCAC 2B .0231 and 15A NCAC 2H .0500. The activity for which this Certification is sought is to impact 14,937 linear feet of jurisdictional man-made ditches and 6.69 acres of 404 jurisdictional wetlands to construct a proposed 649-acre open pit aggregate mine located on the Beaufort/Craven County line. To mitigate for the proposed impacts the applicant proposes to restore 6.75 acres of non-riparian wetlands via payment to the North Carolina Ecosystem Enhancement Program (EEP).

Background/NPDES Permit NC0089168

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that on the basis of preliminary staff review and application of Article 21 of Chapter 143, General Statutes of North Carolina, and other lawful standards and regulations, the North Carolina Environmental Management Commission proposes to issue a new NPDES permit for this facility subject to specific pollutant limitations and special conditions. The proposed NPDES Permit NC0089168 to Martin Marietta Materials provides for a discharge of up to 9 MGD of mine dewatering and comingled stormwater to unnamed tributaries to Blounts Creek, a Class C Swamp NSW water in Beaufort County within the Tar Pamlico River Basin. This proposed discharge may affect future discharge allocations. The facility will be located off Welbourn Road, near Vanceboro, on Weyerhaeuser property.

Public Hearing/Procedures

The public is invited to comment in writing on the above-mentioned 401 application and NPDES permit as well as speaking during the Public Hearing. Those wanting to speak will need to register at the hearing, and speaking sequence will be based on the order of registration. Registration will begin at 6:00 pm. Speaking times may be limited to 3 minutes maximum per speaker, with the final time limit to be determined on the day of the hearing depending upon the number of registered speakers. Cross examination of persons speaking will not be allowed; however, the Hearing Officers may ask questions for clarification. Written comments may be

forwarded at any time before or after the hearing provided they are received by the Division no later than April 12, 2013.

Written comments may be sent via regular mail to the N.C. Division of Water Quality, Wetlands and Stormwater Branch, 1650 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC, 27699-1650, Attn: Cyndi Karoly, or emailed to Cyndi.Karoly@ncdenr.gov (Phone 919-807-6380). Comments may also be hand-delivered to the physical location of the DWQ Central Office at Room 826T, 512 N. Salisbury St., Raleigh, NC, 27604, or the DWQ Washington Regional Office at 943 Washington Square Mall, Washington, North Carolina, 27889, Attn: Amy Adams (phone 252-946-6481). Please be sure to identify the Vanceboro Quarry project in the subject line of your correspondence to ensure proper routing.

Information

Copies of the 401 application are posted online at:

http://its.enr.state.nc.us/laserfiche8/Login.aspx?db=NCDWQ (Username: public, Password: password).
Copies of the Draft NPDES permit and Fact Sheet are linked online at:
http://portal.ncdenr.org/web/wq/swp/ps/npdes/calendar.

Copies of both 401 application and NPDES Draft Permit/Fact Sheet are also available at the DWQ Washington and Raleigh Central locations listed above during normal business hours (8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.) and may be inspected by the public. Original physical copies of all public comments received will be filed at the Raleigh location, and will also be available online. Those wishing to view the physical file materials are advised to schedule an appointment to ensure that the file is available for a dedicated time slot. File materials may not be removed from any DWQ office, as copy machines are available for use at a nominal charge.

Charles Wakild, P.E. Director N.C. Division of Water Quality Date: February 4, 2013