



# Florida Department of Environmental Protection

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Via U.S. Certified Mail #7004 2510 0002 3940 4076

Dan A. Hughes, Jr.  
Dan A. Hughes Company, L.P.  
208 E. Houston Street  
Beeville, Texas 78102

Re: Warning Letter #WL16-01  
20-30H Collier Hogan well  
Collier County, Florida

Dear Mr. Hughes:

Dan A. Hughes Company, L.P. (DAH) has performed certain work in the plugging and abandonment of the Collier-Hogan well as required by the Settlement Agreement between DAH and the Department, signed by DAH on December 30, 2015. ALL Consulting, Inc. (ALL), the Department's independent expert for the project, has overseen your contractors in that project. During the course of that work, ALL observed conditions which demonstrate possible violations of chapters 377 and 403, Florida Statutes, and chapters 62C-29, 62-520, and 62-528, Florida Administrative Code. The report prepared by ALL, which can be downloaded at <ftp://ftp.dep.state.fl.us/pub/outgoing/CH-P&A-Report/>, explains those observations.

Violations of Florida Statutes or administrative rules may result in liability for damages and restoration, and the judicial imposition of civil penalties, under sections 377.37, 403.121(1), 403.131, and 403.161, Florida Statutes.

Please contact the undersigned within **15 days** of receipt of this Warning Letter to arrange a meeting to discuss this matter. The Department is requesting any facts you may have that will assist in determining whether any violations have occurred. You may bring anyone with you to the meeting that you feel could help resolve this matter.

Please be advised that this Warning Letter is part of an agency investigation, preliminary to agency action in accordance with section 120.57(5), Florida Statutes. We expect your full cooperation in completing the investigation and resolving this matter. Again, if any violations are found, we will hold you accountable under the fullest extent of the law.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Cindy Mulkey".

Cindy Mulkey  
Program Administrator

cc: Timothy Riley, Hopping, Green & Sams (via email: [triley@hgslaw.com](mailto:triley@hgslaw.com))