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DEC File No. WPC: 1513.98.107

Mr. Earl Stewart
United States Forest Service
648 Mission Street, Federal Building
Ketchikan, AK 99901

Re: Rowan Bay LSA, United States Forest Service, APDES Permit No. AKG700062, Notice of Coverage and Authorization to Discharge

Dear Mr. Stewart:

The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation has completed its review of the Notification to be covered under the Alaska Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (APDES) General Permit AKG700000 for the Rowan Bay LSA and is issuing authorization AKG700062.

United States Forest Service is authorized to discharge in accordance with the terms of General Permit AKG700000 and any site specific requirements listed in this authorization (as requested in the June 9, 2016 Notification):

Site Name	Receiving Water Name	Latitude	Longitude
Rowan Bay LSA	West side of Rowan Bay, Chatham Strait	56.67015° N	134.24494° W

If you have questions about the issuance of this authorization, please contact Will Collingwood at will.collingwood@alaska.gov or 907-465-6855.

If you have questions regarding compliance with any permit or authorization requirement, please contact Kristi Asplund at kristi.asplund@alaska.gov or 907-465-5308.

Sincerely,

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Tech Eng./Architect II
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Enclosure: Permit AKG700000
Authorization AKG700062
AKG700062 Notification

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Authorization to Discharge

AUTHORIZATION TO DISCHARGE UNDER THE ALASKA POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (APDES) FOR CLEAN WATER ACT SECTION 402 MODIFICATIONS OF SECTION 404 PERMITS FOR LOG TRANSFER FACILITIES IN ALASKA WHICH RECEIVED A SECTION 404 PERMIT PRIOR TO OCTOBER 22, 1985.

FACILITY ASSIGNED AUTHORIZATION NUMBER: AKG700062

DEC File Number: 1513.98.107

GENERAL PERMIT NUMBER: **AKG700000**
See this General Permit for all permit requirements.

The following facility is authorized to discharge in accordance with the terms of the APDES General Permit AKG700000 and any site specific requirements listed in this authorization.

The authorization effective date is **October 24, 2016.**

The authorization to discharge shall expire at midnight, **March 31, 2020**.

The permittee must reapply for an authorization on or before **October 3, 2019** if the permittee intends to continue operations and discharges from the facility

SECTION 1 – RESPONSIBLE PARTY INFORMATION	
Issued to:	United States Forest Service
SECTION 2 – FACILITY INFORMATION	
Facility Name:	Rowan Bay LSA
Facility Classification:	III
Facility Location:	23.9 miles southwest of Kake, AK 99830
APDES Permit Category:	Log Transfer Facility
Description of Discharge:	The permittee is authorized to discharge bark and wood debris associated with in-water log transfer and storage to marine waters within the project area zone of deposit, in accordance with the conditions set forth in the general permit and this authorization.
DNR Project Information:	ATS 1564 Tract D

Latitude:	56.67015° N	Longitude:	134.24494° W

SECTION 3 – REGULATED DISCHARGE INFORMATION – EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS	
Effluent Limitations	
Discharge Area:	Rowan Bay, on the west side of Kuiu Island, 23.9 miles southwest of Kake, AK
Volume of Timber:	The volume of timber transferred at a facility shall not exceed the maximum annual and total volumes of timber specified in the Notification.
Petroleum hydrocarbons, oil, and grease:	There shall be no discharge of hydrocarbons or oil and grease that causes a film, sheen, or discoloration on the surface or floor of the waterbody or adjoining shorelines.
Residues:	Except as authorized by a zone of deposit, there shall be no discharge of bark or wood debris, slash, limbs, scum, floating solids, oily wastes, foam, or other residues which alone, or in combination with other substances: a) makes the water unfit or unsafe for use in aquaculture, water supply, recreation, growth and propagation of fish, shellfish, aquatic life, and wildlife, or the harvesting and consumption of raw mollusks or other aquatic life; b) causes a film, sheen, or discoloration on the surface of the water or adjoining shorelines; c) causes leaching of toxic or deleterious substances; or, d) causes a sludge, solid, or emulsion to be deposited beneath or upon the surface of the water, within the water column, on the bottom, or upon adjoining shorelines.
Monitoring and Reporting Requirements	
Oil Sheen Monitoring:	During periods of log transfer, permittees must visually monitor receiving waters on a daily basis for the presence of oil sheen, and report the results of such monitoring to DEC.
Bark Monitoring:	Bark monitoring is required annually for all permittees which transfer a total volume of 15 million board feet or more during the life of this authorization and which are sited in waters less than -100’ deep at Mean Lower Low Water.
Annual Report:	An Annual Report of all log transfer activity, discharges, noncompliance, and any process changes shall be submitted by January 31st of the year following each year of operations. If the log transfer facility was not operated during the calendar year, the permittee must so indicate in the Annual Report.
See Table 1 of Permit AKG700000 for monitoring and reporting requirements.	

SECTION 4 – RECEIVING AREA INFORMATION-RECEIVING WATER			
Receiving Area Name:	West side of Rowan Bay, Chatham Strait		
Latitude:	56.67015° N	Longitude:	134.24494° W

Zone of Deposit Allowance	
Zone of Deposit Compliance Point:	All Alaska Water Quality Standards shall be met at all points outside the authorized zone of deposit.
Zone of Deposit Allowance:	The boundaries of the project area zone of deposit coincide with the boundaries of tidelands and submerged lands permit, lease, easement, or approval ATS 1564 Tract D issued by the Alaska Department of Natural Resources or other authority.
Zone of Deposit Description:	Project area of 16.07 acres in accordance with ATS 1564 Tract D.

SECTION 5 – SITE SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS
(Any additional requirements to those already listed in the general permit)

If you have questions regarding compliance with any permit or authorization requirement, please contact Kristi Asplund at kristi.asplund@alaska.gov or 907-465-5308.

The two dedicated phone numbers are to be used for verbal notification within 24 hours of an incident of non-compliance. The required written follow-up notification can be provided via fax, email, or U.S. Postal Service.

Toll Free Nationwide: 1-877-569-4114
Anchorage or International: 1-907-269-4114
The Compliance fax number is: 1-907-269-4604
Emails can be sent to: dec-wqreporting@alaska.gov

Mailing Address is:
Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation
Attn: Compliance and Enforcement Program
555 Cordova Street
Anchorage, Alaska 99501

SECTION 6 – CERTIFICATION/SIGNATURE

Signature	10/24/2016
	Date
Allan Nakanishi	Tech Eng./Architect II
Printed Name	Title

SECTION 7 – ATTACHMENTS

1) The following AKG700000 Log Transfer Facility reporting forms are available electronically by clicking on the icons immediately following the form title.
   a. AKG700000 Oil Sheen Monitoring Report Form
   b. AKG700000 Bark Monitoring Survey Report Form
   c. AKG700000 Annual Report Form