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WPDES Permit #: WI-0059315

Todd Tuls  
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Subject: Completeness determination for two waste storages, solids stacking pad, feed storage, calf hutch lot, heifer lot and associated collection and transfer systems at Emerald Sky Dairy in St. Croix County

Dear Mr. Tuls:

The Office of Business Support and External Services of the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) received a plan submittal on behalf of Emerald Sky Dairy by Ronnie Williams, Williams Engineering Services LLC on August 14, 2017 for two waste storages, solids stacking pad, feed storage, calf hutch lot, heifer lot and associated collection and transfer systems to be reviewed by the Department in accordance with s. 281.41, Wis. Stats., and ch. NR 243, Wis. Adm. Code. A completeness review was conducted to determine if the submittal is complete. The submitted plans and specifications have been deemed complete. The complete date is set at August 14, 2017 and the 90-day due date is November 12, 2017.

In accordance with s. NR 243.15(1)(a) and NR 108.03(1), an owner or operator may not commence or cause to be commenced, construction of a proposed reviewable facility or system until plans and specifications have been approved by the department in writing. Also, s NR 108.04(5) states, "The department may not approve plans and specifications for any project for which construction has commenced. The department may review the plans and specifications and require changes to components which may adversely affect public health, the operation of the proposed or existing facility and the determination of permit compliance. This review does not prohibit the department from taking enforcement action under s. NR 108.03."

Please contact Bernie Michaud (contact information below) should you have any question.

Sincerely,

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