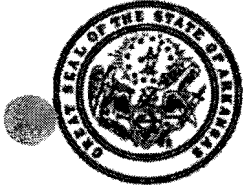


Sludge Pond



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July 17, 1995

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RE: Approval for Georgia-Pacific Crossett Paper Plant-Sludge Pond Closure, NPDES No. AR0001210

Dear Ms. Jordan:

By this letter, the Department grants approval for the three phase closure plans submitted to the Department with the letter date May 22, 1995, for the Georgia-Pacific Crossett Plant sludge pond. The closure of the sludge pond located in Section 23, Township 18 South, Range 9 West in Ashley County must be performed according to the plans submitted to the Department.

The deed on this property must include the closure of this pond and indicate that the sludge from this pond stayed in the pond during the closure.

Please call me at 562-7444, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Chuck Bennett, Chief
Water Division

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cc: Jamal Solaimanian, Engineer Supervisor, State Permit Branch, Water Division
John Lamb, District Field Inspector, Ashley County
File (AR0001210)



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RE: Sludge Pond Closure Progress - AR0001210
Request for Approval of Supplemental Fill Material

Dear Mark:

Georgia-Pacific Crossett Paper Operations is continuing with the closure of the sludge pond. To date, approximately 100,000 cubic yard of ash have been moved and used in the fill operations on the north end of the pond. The pond has been drained of free liquid and the closure operations are continuing to move towards the south end of the pond. The drained pond is not generating any odors.

We presently estimate that there is approximately 250,000 cubic yard of ash remaining at the settling basins for use as fill material. While we are continuing to generate approximately 60 dry tons of ash per day and 17 dry tons per day of sludge and lime, the estimated total volume of fill needed (3 million cubic yards) to close the sludge pond is substantially greater than the amount on hand. Thus, we have begun to look for supplemental fill materials that could be used to augment ash, sludge and lime.

From the mill area, we have identified material which we request your approval for use as fill. This material is a mixture of soil, black liquor solids, sand, fiber, bark and grit. We have included TCLP results showing by analysis that the base materials are nonhazardous and inert.

We are not proposing to turn the sludge pond into a landfill by use of other materials besides ash, sludge and lime. However, we are trying to identify innocuous materials that may also provide a beneficial reuse while hastening the closure of the sludge pond.

We appreciate your review of this material. Please feel free to contact me at (501) 567-8387 if further information is necessary.

Alison Jordan
Manager, Environmental Affairs

attachments

cc: Mo Shaffi