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TO:

All Owners of Low Pressure Pipe Systems

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

Low Pressure Pipe Contracts

Owners of Low Pressure Pipe (LPP) Systems installed or repaired after July 1, 1992, must have a contract with a certified wastewater operator. In accordance with Rule 15A NCAC 18A .1961 (b) (3), "A contract shall be executed between the system owner and a management entity prior to the issuance of an Operation Permit for a system to be maintained by a public or private, management entity. The contract shall include the specific requirements for maintenance and operation, responsibilities of the owner and system operator, provisions that the contract shall be in effect for as long as the system is in use, and other requirements for the continued proper performance of the system. It shall also be a condition of the Operation Permit that subsequent owners of the system execute such a contract."

For LPP systems, the minimum amount of system inspections is twice a year and the reporting frequency is once a year to the local health department. Operators who do not make their inspections and report to the health department are subject to losing their certification. If you have any questions or need a list of certified operators, I can be reached at 910-893-7547 between 8:00-9:00 a.m, Monday-Friday.