#### NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

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Mr. J. Michael Davis, Esq. Georgia-Pacific, LLC 133 Peachtree Street, N.E. Atlanta, GA 30303

Re: Certificate of Completion

Willsboro Black Ash Pond

Site No. 516009

Willsboro, Essex County

Dear Mr. Davis:

Congratulations on having satisfactorily completed the remedial program at the Willsboro Black Ash Pond site. Enclosed please find an original, signed Certificate of Completion. The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (Department) is pleased to inform you that the Final Engineering Report is hereby approved, allowing the Certificate of Completion (COC) to be issued for the above-referenced site. This also results in the reclassification of the site in the Division of Environmental Remediation's on-line environmental site database.

Please note that you are required to perform the following tasks:

- If you are the site owner, you must record a notice of the COC in the recording office for the County where any portion of the site is located within 30 days of issuance of the COC; or if you are a prospective purchaser of the site, you must record a notice of the COC within 30 days of the date that you acquire the site. If you are a non-owner, you must work with the owner to assure the notice of COC is recorded within the time frame specified. In all cases, proof of filing must be provided to DEC within 30 days of receipt. A standard notice form is attached to this letter.
- Place the notice of the COC in the document repository for the site within 10 days of issuance of the COC; and
- Implement the DEC-approved Site Management Plan (SMP) which details the
  activities necessary to assure the performance, effectiveness, and protectiveness
  of the remedial program. You must report the results of these activities to DEC in
  a Periodic Review Report (PRR) which also includes any required IC/EC
  certifications. The site IC/ECs are identified on the attached Site Management
  Form. The first PRR including the certification of the IC/ECs is due to the DEC in
  May 2016.



DEC will prepare and distribute to the Site Contact List a fact sheet describing the institutional and engineering controls that are required at the site.

If you have any questions regarding any of these items, please contact Mr. John Swartwout at (518) 402-9625.

Sincerely,

Robert W. Schick, P.E.

Director

Division of Environmental Remediation

#### Enclosure

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Krista Anders, DOH Wendy Kuehner, DOH John Swartwout, DEC Jim Harrington, DEC Russell Huyck, DEC Andrew Guglielmi, DEC

## NYSDEC STATE SUPERFUND PROGRAM (SSF) CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION

#### **CERTIFICATE HOLDER(S):**

Address

Georgia-Pacific, LLC

133 Peachtree Street, N.E., Atlanta, GA 30303

#### SITE INFORMATION

Site No.: 516009 Site Name: Willsboro Black Ash Pond

Order on Consent: Index No. A5-0771-07-11 Order Execution Date: August 23, 2011

Site Owner: Town of Willsboro

Street Address: School Street

Municipality: Willsboro County: Essex DEC Region: 5

Site Size: 24.830 Acres

Tax Map Identification Number(s): 31.9-1-20.100

A description of the property subject to this Certificate is attached as Exhibit A and a site survey is attached as Exhibit B.

#### CERTIFICATE ISSUANCE

This Certificate of Completion, hereinafter referred to as the "Certificate," is issued pursuant to 6 NYCRR §375-1.9.

This Certificate has been issued upon satisfaction of the Commissioner, following review by the Department of the final engineering report and data submitted pursuant to the Order on Consent as well as any other relevant information regarding the Site, that the applicable remediation requirements set forth in the Environmental Conservation Law (ECL) and 6NYCRR Part 375 have been or will be achieved in accordance with the time frames, if any, established in the remedial work plan.

The remedial program for the Site has achieved a cleanup level that would be consistent with the following categories of uses:

Allowable Uses under the SSF: Restricted-Residential, Commercial, and Industrial

The Remedial Program includes use restrictions or reliance on the long term employment of institutional or engineering controls which are contained in the approved Site Management Plan and an Environmental Easement granted pursuant to ECL Article 71, Title 36 which has been duly recorded in the Recording Office for Essex County with recording identifier 2014-3938.

#### LIABILITY LIMITATION

Upon issuance of this Certificate of Completion, and subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, the Certificate holder(s) shall be entitled to the liability limitation provided in 6NYCRR §375-2.9. The liability limitation shall run with the land, extending to the Certificate holder's successors or assigns through acquisition of title to the Site and to a person who develops or otherwise occupies the Site, subject to certain limitations as set forth in 6NYCRR §375-2.9(d). The liability limitation shall be subject to all rights reserved to the State by ECL \$27-1321 and any other applicable provision of law.

#### CERTIFICATE TRANSFERABILITY

This Certificate may be transferred to the Certificate holder's successors or assigns upon transfer or sale of the Site as provided by 6NYCRR §375-1.9(f)-(g).

#### CERTIFICATE MODIFICATION/REVOCATION

This Certificate of Completion may be modified or revoked by the Commissioner following notice and an opportunity for a hearing in accordance with 6NYCRR §375-1.9(e)(2) upon a finding that:

- (1) the remedial party has failed to manage the controls or monitoring in full compliance with the terms of the approved remedial program;
  - (2) there has been a failure to comply with the terms and conditions of the order;
  - (3) there was a misrepresentation of a material fact tending to demonstrate that the cleanup levels were reached;
- (4) the terms and conditions of any environmental easement have been intentionally violated or found to be not protective or enforceable;
  - (5) for good cause;
- (6) environmental contamination at, on, under, or emanating from the site if, in light of such conditions, the site is no longer protective of public health or the environment, and the remedial party is not in good faith negotiating, and/or following its approval by the Department, implementing a work plan to achieve conditions at the site which are protective of public health and the environment;
- (7) non-compliance with the terms of the order, the remedial work plan, site management plan, or the certificate of completion after notice of the failure and reasonable opportunity to cure has been afforded to the remedial party by the Department as provided for at paragraph 375-1.9(e)(2);
  - (8) fraud related to the remedial program for the site committed by the certificate holder;
- (9) a finding by the Department that a change in an environmental standard, factor, or criterion upon which the remedial work plan was based renders the remedial program implemented at the site no longer protective of public health or the environment, and the remedial party is not in good faith negotiating, and/or following its approval by the Department, implementing a work plan to achieve conditions at the site which are protective of public health and the environment; or
- (10) a change in the site's use subsequent to the Department's issuance of the certificate of completion, unless additional remediation is undertaken which shall meet the standard for protection of the public health and environment that applies to this site.

The Certificate holder(s) (including its successors or assigns) shall have thirty (30) days within which to cure any deficiency or to seek a hearing. If the deficiency is not cured or a request for a hearing received within such 30-day period, the Certificate shall be deemed modified or vacated on the 31st day after the Department's notice.

Date: APRIL 6, 2015

Joseph J. Martens

Commissioner

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

By:

Robert W. Schick, P.E., Director

Division of Environmental Remediation

### NOTICE OF CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION Inactive Hazardous Waste Disposal Site Program Pursuant to 6 NYCRR Part 375-1.9(d)

## Willsboro Black Ash Pond, Site ID No. 516009 School Street, Willsboro, NY 12996 Town of Willsboro, Essex County, Tax Map Identification Number 31.9-1-20.100

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (Department) has issued a Certificate of Completion (Certificate) pursuant to 6 NYCRR Part 375 to Georgia-Pacific, LLC for a parcel of approximately 25 acres located on School Street in the Town of Willsboro, Essex County.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, the Certificate was issued upon satisfaction of the Commissioner, following review by the Department of the final engineering report and data submitted pursuant to the Order on Consent, as well as any other relevant information regarding the Site, that the remediation requirements set forth in ECL Article 27, Title 13 have been or will be achieved in accordance with the time frames, if any, established in the remedial work plan.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, the remedial program for the Site has achieved a cleanup level that would be consistent with the following categories of uses (actual site use is subject to local zoning requirements):

- Restricted Residential Use, as set forth in 6 NYCRR 375-1.8(g)(2)ii.
- Commercial Use, as set forth in 6 NYCRR 375-1.8(g)(2)iii.
- Industrial Use, as set forth in 6 NYCRR 375-1.8(g)(2)iv.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, provided that the Certificate is complied with, the Certificate holder shall be entitled to the liability limitation provided in 6 NYCRR Part 375-2.9. The liability limitation shall run with the land, extending to the Certificate holder's successors or assigns through acquisition of title to the Site and to a person who develops or otherwise occupies the Site, subject to certain limitations as set forth in 6 NYCRR Part 375-2.9. The liability limitation shall be subject to all rights reserved to the State by 6 NYCRR Part 375-2.9 and any other applicable provision of law.

Further, the use of groundwater is restricted and may not be used, unless treated in accordance with the requirements provided by the New York State Department of Health, or a local County Health Department with jurisdiction in such matters and such is approved by the Department as not inconsistent with the remedy.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, since the remedial program relies upon use restrictions or the long term employment of institutional or engineering controls; such institutional or engineering controls are contained in an Environmental Easement granted pursuant to ECL Article 71, Title 36 which has been duly recorded in the Recording Office for Essex County as Instrument # 2014-3938.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, the Environmental Easement requires that the approved site management plan (SMP) for this property be adhered to. The SMP, which may be amended from time to time, may include sampling, monitoring, and/or operating a treatment system on the property, providing certified reports to the NYSDEC, and generally provides for the management of any and all plans and limitations on the property. A copy of the SMP is available upon request by writing to the Department's Division of Environmental Remediation, Site Control Section, 625 Broadway, Albany, New York 12233.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, provided that the Environmental Easement, SMP and Certificate are complied with, the Certificate holder shall be entitled to the liability limitation provided in 6 NYCRR Part 375-2.9. The liability limitation shall run with the land, extending to the Certificate holder's successors or assigns through acquisition of title to the Site and to a person who develops or otherwise occupies the Site, subject to certain limitations as set forth in 6 NYCRR Part 375-2.9. The liability limitation shall be subject to all rights reserved to the State by 6 NYCRR Part 375-2.9 and any other applicable provision of law.

#### Willsboro Black Ash Pond, No. 516009, School Street, Willsboro, NY

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, any change of use of the site, as defined in 6 NYCRR 375, must be preceded by notice to the Department in accordance with 6 NYCRR 375-1.11(d). A transfer of any or all of the property constitutes a change of use.

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE**, the Certificate may be only be transferred to the Certificate holder's successors or assigns upon transfer or sale of the Site as provided by 6 NYCRR Part 375-1.9. Failure to comply with the regulatory requirements for transfer **WILL** bar the successors and assigns from the benefits of the Certificate.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, the Certificate may be modified or revoked by the Commissioner as set forth in the applicable regulations.

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE**, the Certificate may be revoked if the Environmental Easement as implemented, if applicable, is not protective or enforceable.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, a copy of the Certificate can be reviewed at the NYSDEC's Region 5 Office located at 1115 State Route 86, Ray Brook, New York, by contacting the Regional Environmental Remediation Engineer.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned has signed this Notice of Certificate

		Georgia-Pacific, LLC
		By:
		Title:
		Date:
STATE OF NEW YORK	) SS:	
COUNTY OF	)	
appeared	_, personally kno ame is (are) subs ne in his/her/the	, in the year 20, before me, the undersigned, personally wn to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to cribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that ir capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the upon behalf of which the individual(s) acted, executed the
		Please record and return to:
Signature and Office of individual taking acknowledgment		Georgia-Pacific, LLC
		133 Peachtree Street, N.E. Atlanta, GA 30303
		Atlanta, UA 30303



#### NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION Site Management Form



1/2/2015

SITE DESCRIPTION

SITE NO.

516009

SITE NAME:

Willsboro Black Ash Pond

SITE ADDRESS: School Street

ZIP CODE: 12996

CITY/TOWN:

Willsboro

COUNTY: Essex

ALLOWABLE USE: Restricted-Residential, Commercial, and Industrial

SITE MANAGEMENT DESCRIPTION

SITE MANAGEMENT PLAN INCLUDES:

IC/EC Certification Plan

YES

Monitoring Plan

YES

Operation and Maintenance (O&M) Plan

YES

Periodic Review Frequency:

1 year

Periodic Review Report Submittal Date: 03/16/2016

#### Description of Institutional Control

#### Town of Willsboro

School Street

**Environmental Easement** 

Block: 1

Lot: 20.100

Sublot:

Section: 31.9

Subsection:

S B L Image: 31.9-1-20.100

Ground Water Use Restriction

IC/EC Plan

Landuse Restriction

Monitoring Plan

O&M Plan

Site Management Plan

Description of Engineering Control

Town of Willsboro

School Street

**Environmental Easement** 

Block: 1

Lot: 20.100 Sublot:

Section: 31.9

Subsection:

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FORM MR N. I. DEED-QUIT CLAIM (FROM A CORPORATION)

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TUTBLANK REQUESTED US PATOFFICE Tuttle Law Pront, Publishers, Rolland R.

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Made the

20.41

day of December

Nineteen Hundred and

Sixty-six.

Between GEORGIA-PACIFIC CORPORATION

a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Georgia

party of the first part, and

TOWN OF WITLEBORD, ESSEX COUNTY, NEW YORK,

party of the second part,

Witnesseth, that the party of the first part, in consideration of

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(\$1.00----) lawful money of the United States,

paid by the part y of the second part,

does hereby remise, release, and quitclaim unto the part y of the second part,

ita nuccessora and assigns forever, alle

ALL THAT CERTAIN PARCEL OR TRACT OF LAND situate, lying and being on the south side of the big bend of the Bouquet River in the hamlet and Town of Willsbore, said tract being generally known as the "Black ash Fit" and being bounded and described as follows:

RECINNING at a point in part of the southerly bounds of the tract herrin described and conveyed, said point being monumented by a 1/2" iron pipe driven into the ground on the east side of the road or street that runs mortherly from the Willsboro Branch of the Essex County-Champlain National Bank building in Willsboro into the tract herein described and heirg located N 5° 26' E, 108.0 feet from another 1/2" iron pipe monument marking the northwest corner of shouse lot owned or occuried by a certain ". Bridge; thence ranning in a course directly toward and in alignment with the nocalled "Lower Dam" of the mill on the Bouquet River or 5 70° 05' W. 247.18 feet to a noint-on-line monumented by the northwest corner of the concrete dam niutment on the east bank of the Bouquet River; and thence continuing in the same course along the broken crest of said dam an additional 73 feet, more or less, to a point in the center line of said River, said point being the southwest corner of the tract herein described and conveyed; thence running northerly, easterly and southeasterly down and along the center line of said big bend in the Bouquet River as the same winds and turns a distance of 5000 feet, more or less, to a point being the most easterly corner of the tract herein described and conveyed, said point being located N 20° 10' E, 50 feet, more or less, from a 1/2" iron pipe monument driven into the ground on the south bank of the River and at the base of a large symmere tree; thence running S 20° 10' W, 50 feet, more or less, to the point-on-line marked by said 1/2" iron pipe at the Sycamore tree; and thence continuing in the same course S 20° 10' W, an additional 129,66 feet to a point in the northerly bounds

of other lands owned by the party of the first part bereto, said point being the southeast corner of the tract herein described and conveyed and being monumented by another 1/2" iron pipe driven into the ground on the easterly side of an unimproved roalway reserved by the party of the first part hereto as a right-of-way for ingress and egress to lands owned south and east of the tract herein described; thence running westerly along the northerly bounds of other lands owned by the party of the first part hereto and along the southerly sile of said roudway reserved as a right-of-way the following courses and distances, viz; N 78° 52' W, 250.52 feet to a corner monumented by a 1/2" iron nice driven into the ground; thence N 52° 35' W, 364.43 feet to another corner on the south edge of said roalway right-of-way monumented by a 1/2" iron pipe driven into the ground; thence N 70° 59' W, 532.27 feet to another corner monumented by a 1/2" iron pipe driven into the ground; thence N 34° 20' W, 250.67 feet to another corner on the south side of said roadway monumented by a 1/2" iron pipe driven into the ground; thence N 86° 19' W, 130.11 feet to another corner monumented by a 1/2" iron rice driven into the ground on the south side of said roadway; and thence 2 14° 20' W, 127.24 fout to the point or pince of beginning; containing 25.0 acros of land and river within the bounds of the tract thus traversed, described and conveyed.

The above described magnetic courses, distances and monuments are those determined an' established in a survey completed Senterber 16, 1056 by Spencer J. Johnston and Frederick W.

Volckmann, licensed land surveyors. Peterence is made to the map platted from said survey for a more detailed and graphic description of the tract herein described and conveyed. Said map is titled:

"Man of Curvey - showing torcel set of from lands of Georgia Pacific Corp. to be conveyed to the Town of Willsboro" and is placed on file at the Fasex County Clerk's office as Nar No. 2092 in Book

24 of Fase at page 31.

Reserving to the grantor herein an unrestricted right-of-way for ingress and egress by foot, vehicles or otherwise upon, through and over the roadway designated as a right-of-way reserved to the grantor in the aforesaid survey.

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