



ENGINEERING CONSULTING SERVICES, LTD.
Geotechnical • Construction Materials • Environmental

November 22, 2004

Ms. Crystal Morphis
The Sanford Holshouser Business Development Group
219 Fayetteville Street, Suite 1000
Raleigh, North Carolina 27601

**RE: *Engineer's Certification Regarding Filled Areas
Proposed Vance County HUB Site
Vance County, North Carolina
ECS, Ltd. Project Number 12498-B***

Dear Ms. Morphis:

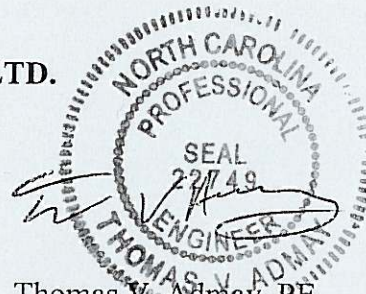
During our recent subsurface investigation at the above-referenced site, no fill material was encountered at our boring locations. To the best of our knowledge, there does not appear to be any areas, other than the pond dam embankment, containing fill material on the site. Therefore, an Engineer's Certification Regarding Filled Areas does not apply for this particular site.

Should you have any questions or if we could be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Respectfully,

ENGINEERING CONSULTING SERVICES, LTD.

C. (Nathan) Nallainathan, PE
Engineering Group Manager
NCPE Registration No. 19937



Thomas V. Admay, PE
Chief Engineer, Raleigh Branch
NCPE Registration No. 22749

I:\Projects\12498B\Eng_Cert_Letter.doc