



MECKLENBURG COUNTY  
Land Use and Environmental Services Agency

October 18, 2011

Mr. Michael Cataldo  
Charlotte-Mecklenburg Planning Commission  
600 East Fourth Street  
Charlotte, North Carolina 28202

**Re: Rezoning Petition 2011-083**

Approximately 22.0 acres located on the southwest corner of the intersection of Walker Branch Dr. and Steele Creek Rd

Dear Mr. Cataldo,

Representatives of the Air Quality (MCAQ), Groundwater & Wastewater Services (MCGWS), Solid Waste (MCSW), Storm Water Services (MCSWS), and Water Quality (MCWQ) Programs of the Mecklenburg County Land Use and Environmental Services Agency (LUESA) have reviewed the above referenced rezoning petition.

**Programs with No Comment at this Time**

Solid Waste  
Groundwater & Wastewater Services

**Recommendations and/or Ordinance Requirement Reminders**

Air Quality

The proposed project may be subject to certain air quality permit requirements in accordance with Mecklenburg County Air Pollution Control Ordinance (MCAPCO) Regulation 2.0805 - "Parking Facilities". A letter of notification and copy of the regulations will be mailed directly to the petitioner by MCAQ.

Because the proposed development will likely attract commuter trips, MCAQ recommends that the petitioner be required to provide "preferred" (attractive, conveniently located, or reduced cost) parking for "Clean Commuters" (carpool, vanpool, hybrid vehicles and/or electric vehicles). As a point of reference, the LEED (Leadership in Energy Efficiency and Design) standard for Alternative Transportation requires developers to provide preferred parking for 5% of total parking spaces for car/vanpools or fuel efficient, low emitting vehicles. More information on these standards can be found in *LEED 2009 for New Construction and Major Renovations* located at: [www.usgbc.org](http://www.usgbc.org).

Storm Water Services

S.W.I.M. stream buffer requirements apply as described on the following website:

<http://charmeck.org/stormwater/regulations/Pages/SWIMOrdinances.aspx>.

In addition, the buffer requirements specified in the post-construction storm water ordinance, as described on the website indicated above, also apply. In the event that different requirements occur in the post-construction ordinance compared to the S.W.I.M. stream buffer ordinance, the more stringent will apply.

Please contact the staff members who conducted the reviews if you have any questions.

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Respectfully,

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