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Keron Cumberbatch
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SENT VIA EMAIL: krncm@amazon.com

RE: Groundwater Permit Number GWI000502
Birchwood Tech Campus, King George County, Virginia
Notice of Application Withdrawal

Dear Keron Cumberbatch:

The Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ or Department) received your notification of Amazon Data Services, Inc.'s decision to withdraw the subject application on August 26, 2026 (attached).

Since the application has been withdrawn, DEQ is no longer processing your request to reissue groundwater withdrawal permit GWI000502 for the Birchwood Tech Campus.

Please contact Caitlin Kelly at (804) 774-0828 or caitlin.kelly@deq.virginia.gov if you have any questions.

Respectfully,

Eric Seavey
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Enclosure

cc: Bryant Thomas, Water Resources Division Director, DEQ – VIA EMAIL
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Outlook

Formal Notification: Withdrawal of GWI000502 Permit Renewal Application

From Cumberbatch, Keron <krncm@amazon.com>

Date Wed 8/26/2026 1:29 PM

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Good morning,

Following up on our conversation this morning, I am writing to provide official written notification of AWS's decision to withdraw the GWI000502 Groundwater Withdrawal permit renewal application. This permit would have authorized AWS to withdraw up to 6.4 million gallons per year to provide water for potable and non-industrial purposes, exclusive of data center cooling operations**,** to support future campus operations at the Birchwood Tech Campus in King George County.

AWS is aware of the public concerns raised regarding this permit. We take concerns of the community seriously, and after careful consideration, have decided to withdraw the application. It is AWS's intent to work closely with VDEQ and other relevant agencies to identify alternative sources for potable water service to the future campus.

Please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions and kindly advise how we can support in executing this request.

Best regards,

Keron