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Submitted electronically to boone.brothers@bd.com

Mr. Boone Brothers
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RE: 16-Hour Aeration Request November 17, 2021

Dear Mr. Brothers:

On October 28, 2019, Richard Dunn, Director, Environmental Protection Division, Georgia Department of Natural Resources (EPD) and Becton, Dickson and Company (BD) entered into a Consent Order (CO) in the Superior Court of Newton County. The CO was amended on January 15, 2020, and March 25, 2020. The Order and the Amendments were established under the Court's jurisdiction until December 31, 2020.

This letter serves as a response to the request by BD, on November 17, 2021, to return to 16 hours of heated aeration for the BD Madison and Covington Sterilization Facilities. The Company requested to remove the restriction in place from the Order of 20-hour heated aeration time, now established at both locations, and to resume operations in accordance with the revised permit applications submittals for Covington, Madison and GDC. The Company will continue to monitor EtO in the community to monitor any changes that may occur based on the operational change.

The Company submitted data showing the controls that have been established and the monitoring basis for this change. Based on the information received, the Division has determined this change to be appropriate and consistent with operations at other commercial sterilizers within Georgia and grants approval for the change in operation requested. Thank you for your cooperation. If you have any questions or comments, please contact Safae El kaddouri at 470-524-2498 or safae.elkaddouri@dnr.ga.gov.

Sincerely,

Sean Taylor
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