



MECKLENBURG COUNTY
Land Use & Environmental Services Agency
Code Enforcement

Memo

Date: January 1, 2012

To: All Customers

From: Jim Bartl, Director of Code Enforcement

RE: Sun-setting of the Permit Extension Act of 2009

The protection provided by the Permit Extension Act of 2009 (which was extended in July of 2010 to December 31, 2011) to protect project permits from expiration due to no commencement of work within six months of the permit issuance or for discontinuation of work for twelve months, ended on December 31, 2011. Permits are now subject to continuation of the six months and twelve month time limits stipulated in the North Carolina General Statutes (GS:153A-358 and GS:160A-418).

For projects issued between January 1, 2008 and December 31, 2011 the full six and twelve month time periods are in effect.

- For projects not started, work must commence by July 1, 2012, or the permit will expire.
- For projects already commenced, work cannot be discontinued for twelve months or the permit will expire.

For projects issued prior to January 1, 2008, only the unused portion of the six months or twelve month time period will remain.

- Example #1: If the permit was issued four months prior to January 1, 2008 and no work has begun, then four of the six months have been used and the work must commence within two months of January 1, 2012 or the permit will expire.
- Example #2: If the work commenced but was discontinued eight months prior to January 1, 2008 and has not resumed, then eight of the twelve months have been used and the work must resume within four months of January 1, 2012 or the permit will expire.

If you have any questions regarding your project permits please contact the following:

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