



Joel Colston
11 year Marion employee
Accident Free

Marion Environmental Inc. is one of the leading providers of environmental consulting, remediation, and emergency response in the southeast. Our goal is to provide cost effective solutions to environmental problems.
Making *our* standard, industry standard.

Profile of Month – A Salute to CDL Drivers

Our truck drivers play a vital role in our company, and we are lucky to have such an outstanding group.

Our full time drivers collectively have accumulated hundreds of years of experience. Marion requires driver applicants to have at least 5 years experience. To augment their professional knowledge, they are given OSHA's 40 hour training and extensive safety training.

They are pleasant guys and you can't find a disagreeable man in the lot. They like their job and it shows. With the usual Marion schedule made up of day trips, our drivers spend most evenings at home. I think this has helped us recruit and retain the best men in the industry.

Skilled drivers can make all the difference in servicing our clients. Many factories forget about access to tanks during the design phase. Also, plant expansions frequently expose new obstacles for waste pickups. Maneuvering in tight spaces is no problem for our experienced professionals. We are so lucky to have so much talent on our team.

SAFETY TIPS for DRIVERS

- To avoid blood clots in the legs try to stop and walk around for 5 minutes at least every 2 hours.
- Leave phone off while driving.
- Get a good night's sleep.
- Sleep Apnea – the FMCSA is considering a rule about testing and treating this condition. Critics point out that the crash risk has not been evaluated and that the cost of screening and treatment needs to be studied.



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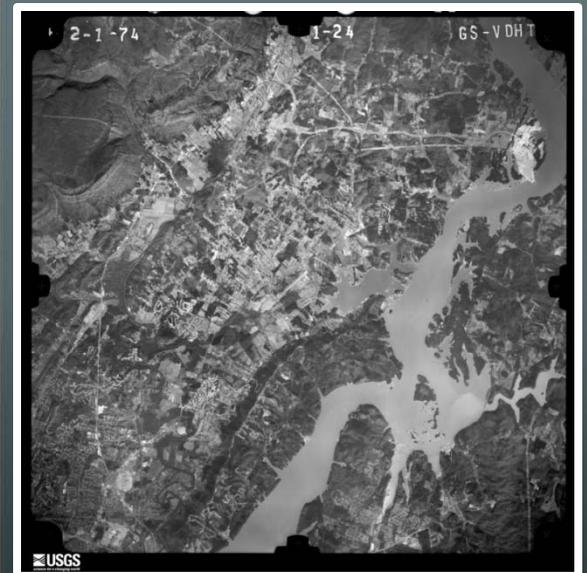
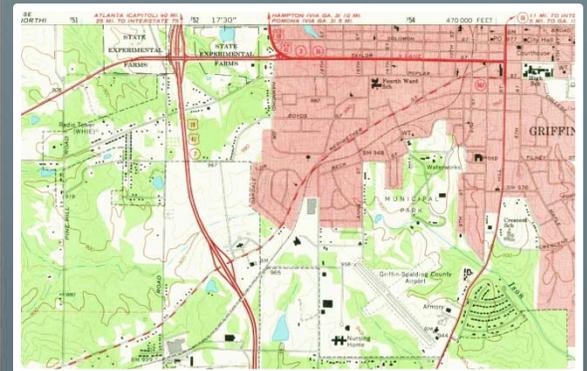
The geologists in Marion's consulting Department have secured professional licensure in the states of Tennessee, Georgia, Alabama, North Carolina, South Carolina, Kentucky, Virginia and Texas. These licenses enable MEI to provide environmental consulting services to clients throughout the southeast region in addition to serving locally.

Rusty Sewell, one of Marion's senior geologists, currently serves as the president of the Tennessee Section of the American Institute of Professional Geologists (AIPG). AIPG is an advocate for the geology profession and communicates regularly to federal and state legislators and agencies on matters pertaining to the geosciences. Currently, there are about 7,800 active members of AIPG. On September 10th, Rusty presented the Tennessee Section's annual report to the AIPG Executive Committee at their 2016 Annual Meeting held in Santa Fe, New Mexico.

In addition to the section report presentations, the meeting included discussions associated with possible changes to professional licensure programs in various states, including movements to eliminate state license requirements.

Four Advisory Board Representatives were also elected to serve on the National Executive Committee. Rusty was elected by his colleagues to serve as an Advisory Board Representative on the National Executive Committee for 2017.

As an Advisory Board Representative, Rusty will attend three Executive Committee meetings where the affairs of the Institute will be managed. Rusty looks forward to representing geologists from all over the nation on the committee and attempting to facilitate the preservation of the geology profession to ensure that environmental consulting services continue to be executed in a manner that is competent, professional, and ethical.



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