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Dear Commissioners and Board Members:

Recently I received correspondence from J. Nelson Weaver, one of my constituents. He wanted to keep me informed about a letter that he sent to your office earlier this month to express his concerns about 12 specific issues of the proposed rulemaking of a new chapter 302, Administration of the Water and Wastewater Systems Operators Certification Program.

As a State Legislator, I agree with all of Mr. Weaver's concerns. Mainly I feel before new rules are imposed, the Department of Environmental Protection should meet with representatives from the professional operators' associations during the course of drafting the regulations to get their input. These are the professionals that will be impacted the most by new regulations and it is only fair that they be involved in the process.

I hope you will take time to address the concerns mentioned in Mr. Weaver's letter. Should you have any questions regarding my position on these issues, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments.

Sincerely,

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