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Honorable Arthur Coccodrilli Chairman Independent Regulatory Review Commission 333 Market Street 14th Floor Harrisburg, Pa. 17101

Dear Chairman Coccodrilli:

This letter is to encourage your approval of the Environmental Quality Board's regulations for buffers for Exception Value and High Quality streams.

It is imperative that we take actions to protect the quality of our water supply. Greater buffers of vegetation can filter more contaminants from entering our water supply, lower the costs to consumers of purifying water, and help keep our water supply clean. It is important to my constituents and all Pennsylvanians that we work to protect our water. I urge your Commission to approve regulations that will create more protections.

Your consideration of this is most appreciated.

Sincerely,

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