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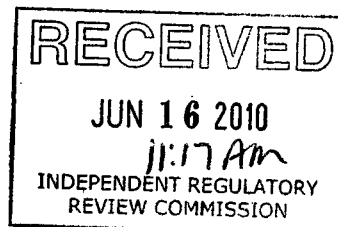
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Arthur Coccodrilli
Chairmen
Independent Regulatory Review Commission
333 Market Street, 14th Floor
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Re: Chapter 102, Erosion and Sedimentation Control. IRRC #2783. EQB 7-440
Chapter 95, Wastewater. IRRC #2806. EQB 7-446

Dear Chairman Coccodrilli,

I am writing today to urge the IRRC approval of the following two EQB rule revisions:

First, I would like to indicate my support for the FEQB's revisions to the rules for Erosion and Sedimentation Controls (IRRC #2783, EQB 7-440). The revisions in question mandate a 150 foot buffer for new developments along streams rated as Exceptional Value and High Quality.

I would also like to indicate my support for the EQB's revisions to the rules for Wastewater discharge standards (IRRC #2806, EQB 7-446). As a cosponsor of House Bill 2213, which establishes well permitting requirements, well location restrictions and casing requirements, and disclosure and monitoring of hydraulic fracturing chemicals and surface impoundments, I support the discharge standards drafted by DEP and believe that the IRRC should approve EQB 7-440.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "W. Curtis Thomas".

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