

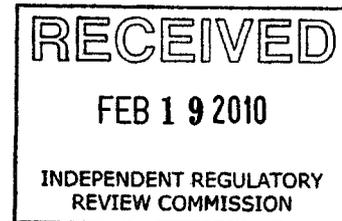
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Subject: TDS 25 PA Code Chapter 95 Wastewater Treatment Requirements
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Re: TDS 25 PA Code Chapter 95 Wastewater Treatment Requirements

February 4, 2010

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[39 Pa.B. 6467]

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For these reasons, I ask that the EQB reject the proposed rulemaking.

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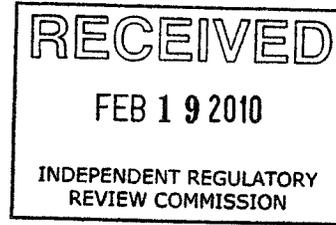


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