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Thomas W. Easterly, Commissioner Indiana Department of Environmental Management 100 North Senate Avenue Indianapolis, Indiana 46206-6015

Dear Mr Easterly:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) Region 5, has completed review of the applicable portions of the revisions to Indiana Department of Environmental Management's (IDEM) "Fast Track" rules, submitted by IDEM as part of its Triennial Review. These rules became effective March 16, 2005, and received certification by the Attorney General on June 7, 2005. These revisions amend IDEM's rules at: 327 IAC 1-1, 327 IAC 2-1, 327 IAC 2-1.5, 327 IAC 2-4, 327 IAC 5-1.5, and 327 IAC 5-2.

On October 3, 2005, USEPA provided a review of those portions of IDEM's "Fast Track" rules relating directly to Indiana's water quality standards. That letter did not cover some of the other provisions of Indiana's rules which would revise the State's authorized National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) program. Those specific provisions, which constitute this NPDES limited review of your "Fast Track" rules submission, were IDEM's rules at: 327 IAC 2-4-3, 327 IAC 5-1.5-72, 327 IAC 5-2-1.5, 327 IAC 5-2-11.1, 327 IAC 5-2-11.2, 327 IAC 5-2-11.5, 327 IAC 5-2-11.6, 327 IAC 5-2-13 and 327 IAC 5-2-15.

We have reviewed these above-referenced provisions, as well as the Revised Addendum to the NPDES Memorandum of Agreement Concerning Indiana's Great Lakes Water Quality Standards (MOA), and have no concerns nor comments. USEPA, by this letter, approves these non-substantial revisions to the Indiana NPDES program.

I am enclosing two signed copies of the MOA, one for your agency's record and one for Region 5's records. Once you have signed these copies, we would appreciate the return of one of the originals for our official records.

Any questions regarding this matter may be directed to Peter Swenson, Acting Chief, NPDES Programs Branch at (312) 886-0236.

Very truly yours,

Thomas V. Skinner Regional Administrator

Enclosure

cc: John Elliot, IDEM Bruno Pigott, IDEM