January 4, 2011

Mr. H. Curtis Spalding
Regional Administrator
US EPA Region 1
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Dear Mr. Spalding:

The Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection hereby submits the final revisions to the Connecticut Water Quality Standards for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency New England Region’s review and approval. Included in this submission package is a copy of the Hearing Officer’s Report which summarizes and responds to comments received during the public comment period, two copies of the Water Quality Standards showing the proposed revisions both in plain text and a red-line-strike-out version, examples of proposed revisions to the Water Quality Classification Maps, and a legal certification regarding the process used for the proposal of the current revisions to the Water Quality Standards.

We appreciate the comments provided by your staff in response to Connecticut’s proposed revisions and we are available to answer any questions that you or your staff may have during your review process. Additional useful materials in support of these proposed revisions are available on our website at http://www.ct.gov/dep/cwp/view.asp?a=2719&Q=452434&depNav_GID=1654

If we can be of any assistance during your review process, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Betsey Wingfield, Bureau Chief, Bureau of Water Protection and Land Reuse at (860) 424-3704.

Yours truly,

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Commissioner

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