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Lori Mathieu, Acting Chief
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Re: Revised Priority Ranking System

Dear Ms. Mathieu:

EPA Region 1 has had the opportunity to review the revised priority ranking criteria as part of the state of Connecticut's Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) program. The priority ranking criteria was revised based on the language contained in the FY2010 Appropriations Bill relative to the DWSRF program.

EPA noted in its review that the state's revised criteria continues to place emphasis on projects that 1) address the most serious risk to public health, and 2) ensure compliance with the Safe Drinking Water Act requirements. Additional revisions to the ranking criteria include prorated points for those projects which include energy and water efficiency components (i.e., "Green Projects") based on the 20% Green infrastructure requirement of the FY2010 DWSRF appropriation.

Based on the review of the state's revised DWSRF priority ranking criteria, EPA hereby approves the new criteria for use in the state's next call for projects.

If you have any questions relative to this letter, feel free to contact me at (617) 918-1547.

Sincerely,

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