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Robert A. Kaplan Acting Regional Administrator U.S. EPA, Region 5 77 W. Jackson Blvd. R-19J Chicago, IL 60604

Dear Mr. Pierard:

I write today to clarify Ohio's request to your office regarding the transfer of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) program from Confined Animal Feeding Operations from Ohio EPA to the Ohio Department of Agriculture.

On July 8, 2015, Ohio submitted a letter to Susan Hedman, Regional Administrator for U.S. EPA, Region 5. This 2015 request was and is intended to supersede or otherwise replace the 2006 request to transfer, and therefore the 2006 request is hereby withdrawn and no further action is requested or necessary on the 2006 request. It is requested that the EPA's actions under 40 CFR 123.62 be taken solely with respect to the 2015 request to transfer.

Thank you for consideration of this matter.

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John R. Kasich Governor of Ohio

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