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Re: *Keweenaw Bay Indian Community's Supplemental Application for Treatment as a State Status under the Clean Water Act*

Dear Mr. Kaplan,

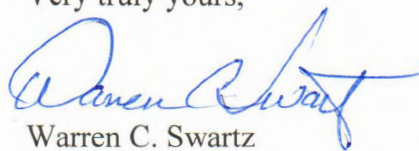
By its letter of May 21, 2013, the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community (KBIC), a federally recognized Indian Tribe, submitted its initial Application to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for Treatment as a State (TAS) under Section 518(c) of the Clean Water Act. Provided with the letter was a narrative describing the KBIC's ability to carry out its obligations under the Clean Water Act, an outside legal opinion in support of the KBIC's ability to exercise this authority, and all required supporting documentation for the initial Application. The KBIC provided EPA with its initial Application and the supporting documentation in the form of a hard copy and a digital copy on a thumb drive.

This letter and the attached materials supplement the May 21, 2013 initial Application in two primary ways. First, this letter and the attached materials (collectively, "Submission") provide the EPA with additional information specific to EPA's "TAS Application Template for Water Quality Standards and Water Quality Certifications" (EPA 820-D-16-002). Second, this Submission responds to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) comments on the KBIC's initial application, which the MDEQ provided by its letter dated January 27, 2014. We respectfully request that EPA process this supplementation of the KBIC's TAS Application, which incorporates the initial Application as set forth herein.

If EPA needs any additional information for its review of the KBIC's TAS Application, please contact either Lori Ann Sherman, Natural Resources Director, via email at loriann@kbic-nsn.gov, and by phone at (906) 524-5757 Ext. 13 or Stephanie Kozich, Water Resources Specialist, via email at skozich@kbic-nsn.gov and by phone at 906-524-5757 Ex. 16.

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