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The Honorable Patrick McDonnell, Secretary  
Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection  
Rachel Carson State Office Building  
P.O. Box 2063  
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17105-2063

Dear Secretary McDonnell:

The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection submitted a primacy program revision request to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for the Ground Water Rule (GWR) and the Long Term 2 Enhanced Surface Water Treatment Rule (LT2). These program revisions are necessary for Pennsylvania to maintain Public Water System Supervision (PWSS) Program primacy.

EPA has reviewed Pennsylvania's program revisions for the GWR and LT2 and finds that these are no less stringent than the corresponding Federal regulations. EPA is pleased to inform you that we have tentatively approved these revisions to Pennsylvania's PWSS Program.

EPA has submitted a public notice to the *Federal Register* for publication stating that Pennsylvania's regulations have been tentatively approved. The notice also opens a 30-day comment period during which interested parties can request a hearing regarding EPA's determination. EPA will place newspaper advertisements in the Harrisburg *Patriot-News* announcing this decision. If no significant comments are received, EPA's determination on Pennsylvania's regulations will be final and approved at the end of the comment period. We will inform you and your staff of all comments received and any public hearing requests.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me, or have your staff contact Ms. Kyle Zieba, EPA's Pennsylvania Liaison, at 215-814-5420 or [zieba.kyle@epa.gov](mailto:zieba.kyle@epa.gov).

Sincerely,

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Regional Administrator



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