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CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Christina Volek City Administrator City of Billings P.O. Box 1178 Billings, MT 59103

Re:

Findings of Violation and Administrative Order for Compliance, Docket No. CWA-08-2009-0031: Notice of Approval of

CMOM Work Plan and SSO ERP

Dear Ms. Volek:

On December 21, 2009, EPA Region 8 (EPA) received the City of Billings' (City) capacity management, operation, and maintenance (CMOM) work plan required under paragraph 3 of the above-referenced order (order). The initial CMOM work plan was disapproved by EPA and a letter stating such was sent to the City on January 26, 2010. On February 17, 2010, EPA received the City's revised CMOM work plan, dated February 10, 2010. In accordance with paragraph 7 of the order, EPA hereby approves the City's revised CMOM work plan, dated February 10, 2010. Pursuant to paragraph 3 of the order, the City must commence implementation of the approved revised CMOM work plan within forty-five (45) days from receipt of this notice of approval.

Additionally, EPA has received the City's SSO emergency response plan (ERP) required under paragraph 6 of the order, and hereby approves the City's SSO ERP, dated November 17, 2009. Pursuant to paragraph 6 of the order, the City shall implement the SSO ERP within thirty (30) days from receipt of this notice of approval.

EPA appreciates the City's continued compliance with the order. If you have any questions, the most knowledgeable people on my staff are Wendy Silver, Senior Attorney, at 303-312-6637 and Amy Clark, Environmental Scientist, at 303-312-7014.

Sincerely,

Sharon Z Kerchen Andrew M. Gaydosh

Andrew M. Gaydosh Assistant Regional Administrator

Office of Enforcement, Compliance and

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