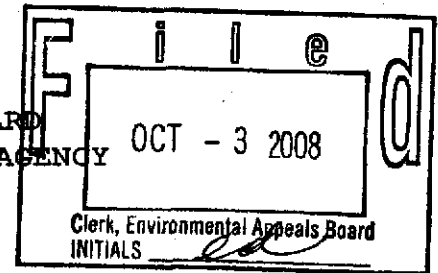


BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENTAL APPEALS BOARD
UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
WASHINGTON, D.C.



In re:)
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Upper Blackstone Water)
Pollution Abatement District,)
)
Permit No. MA 0102369)
)

NPDES Appeal Nos. 08-13, 08-14,
08-15, 08-16, & 08-17, 08-18

ORDER GRANTING REGION'S MOTION

FOR SINGLE RESPONSE DATE

On September 23, 2008, the Environmental Appeals Board ("Board") issued an order directing U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 1 ("Region") to file its response to NPDES permit appeals Nos. 08-11 and 08-12 no later than December 5, 2008. Since the date of that order, six other petitions for review have been filed - NPDES Appeal Nos. 08-13, 08-14, 08-15, 08-16, & 08-17, 08-18 - all challenging the same permit decision petitions 08-11 and 08-12 challenge and raising similar arguments on appeal. On October 1, 2008, the Region filed a motion requesting that the Board set a single response date to respond to all these petitions.

The Board hereby grants the Region's request. Accordingly, the Region must file its response to each of these petitions on or before December 5, 2008.

So ordered.

ENVIRONMENTAL APPEALS BOARD

Dated:

October 3, 2008

By:

Anna L. Wolgast

Anna L. Wolgast
Environmental Appeals Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing Order Granting Region's Motion for Single Response Date in the matter of Upper Blackstone Water Pollution Abatement District, NPDES Appeal Nos. 08-13, 08-14, 08-15, 08-16, 08-17 & 08-18, were sent to the following persons in the manner indicated:

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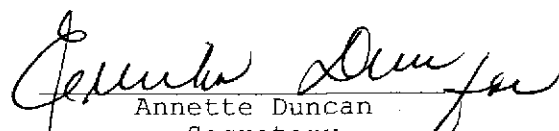
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