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

In the Matter of: City of Holyoke Department of Public Works

NPDES Appeal No. 24-01

NPDES Permit No. MA0101630

NOTIFICATION OF AGREEMENT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROGRAM

On March 18, 2024, the Environmental Appeals Board ("Board") invited Petitioner and EPA Region 1 ("the Region") (collectively, "the parties") to participate in the Board's Alternative Dispute Resolution ("ADR") program. Counsel for the parties conferred regarding participation in the ADR program, and both agree to voluntarily participate. Accordingly, consistent with the Board's March 18 letter, the Region hereby submits a notification of interest in participating in the program. The Region has determined that Petitioner assents to this notification and also agrees to voluntarily participate. *See also* March 27, 2024 letter from Petitioner to Board (attached).

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the date indicated below a copy of the foregoing Notification of

Agreement to Participate in the Alternative Dispute Resolution Program, in connection with In re

City of Holyoke Department of Public Works, NPDES Appeal No. 24-01, was sent to the

following persons in the manner indicated:

By electronic filing:

Mr. Emilio Cortes Clerk of the Board U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Environmental Appeals Board 1201 Constitution Avenue, NW U.S. EPA East Building, Room 3332 Washington, DC 20004

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