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December 20, 2011

Via electronic submission Eureka Durr Clerk of the Board U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Environmental Appeals Board (1103B) Ariel Rios Building 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20460-0001

Re: In re. District of Columbia, Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit No. DC0000221, Appeal No. NPDES 11-06

Dear Ms. Durr:

Friends of the Earth, Anacostia Riverkeeper, Potomac Riverkeeper, and Natural Resources Defense Council (collectively "Environmental Petitioners") hereby respectfully respond to your letter dated November 9, 2011 to the parties in the above-referenced matter, requesting a statement of the parties' interest in participating in Alternative Dispute Resolution ("ADR").

On November 30 the Board entered an order extending the time for the Environmental Petitioners o submit a response as to whether they would like to participate in ADR until December 22, 2011 (Dkt. 15, Judge McCabe).

The Environmental Petitioners hereby respectfully inform the Board that they consent to participate in the Board's ADR program.

Sincerely,

The Ca Jennifer C. Chavez

Attorney for Friends of the Earth, Anacostia Riverkeeper, and Potomac Riverkeeper

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing letter to the Clerk regarding ADR in In re. District of Columbia, Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit No. DC0000221, Appeal No. NPDES 11-06, were sent to the following persons via First Class U.S. Mail:

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