BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENTAL APPEALS BOAR UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AC WASHINGTON, D.C.

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In re:

Government of the District of Columbia, Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System NPDES Appeal Nos. 06-07 and 06-08

NPDES Permit No. DC0000221

ORDER GRANTING THIRD JOINT MOTION FOR STAY OF PROCEEDINGS

On September 21, 2006, all parties involved in NPDES Appeal Nos. 06-07 and 06-08 filed a joint motion for a third stay of the proceedings and an extension of time for EPA Region III to file a response to the petitions for review in the above-captioned case. As before, the parties seek another sixty-day stay and extension of filing deadlines to facilitate settlement discussions among the parties. The parties report that they have been actively involved in settlement negotiations and plan to continue the negotiations on October 16 and November 9, 2006. They anticipate that continued discussions will necessarily extend at least sixty days past October 3, 2006, the current due date for Region III's consolidated response to the petitions, and therefore request the additional time.

For good cause shown, the parties' joint motion for a sixty-day stay of the proceedings is hereby **GRANTED**. The Region's consolidated brief in response to the two petitions for review must now be filed with the Board on or before **Friday**, **December 1**, 2006.

So ordered.

Dated: <u>September 24</u>, 2006

ENVIRONMENTAL APPEALS BOARD Anna L. Wolgast

Environmental Appeals Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing **Order Granting Third Joint Motion for Stay of Proceedings** in the matter of Government of the District of Columbia, Municipal Separate Sewer System, NPDES Appeal Nos. 06-07 and 06-08, were sent to the following persons in the manner indicated:

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