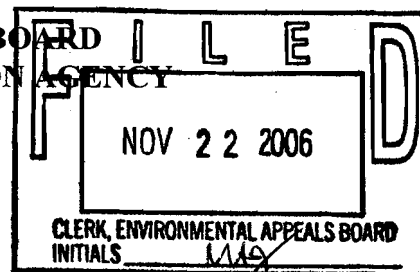


BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENTAL APPEALS BOARD
UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
WASHINGTON, D.C.



In re:)
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Government of the District of Columbia,)
Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System)
)
NPDES Permit No. DC0000221)
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NPDES Appeal Nos. 06-07
and 06-08

**ORDER GRANTING FOURTH JOINT MOTION
FOR STAY OF PROCEEDINGS**

On November 21, 2006, all parties involved in NPDES Appeal Nos. 06-07 and 06-08 filed a joint motion for a fourth 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 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, having met in person or by teleconference on October 16, 2006, and November 9, 2006. They state that they have made progress toward resolving the issues raised in the appeals and are scheduled to reconvene on December 11, 2006, to continue their negotiations. They also note that the recent general election resulted in a change of administration for the Washington, D.C. government, and they anticipate that the transition to the new administration will necessitate some additional time for negotiations. Accordingly, the parties jointly move for an additional stay of proceedings and extension of Region III's filing obligations until March 1, 2007, to facilitate continued settlement discussions.

For good cause shown, the parties' joint motion for another stay of the proceedings and extension of time 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 **Thursday, March 1, 2007**.

So ordered.

ENVIRONMENTAL APPEALS BOARD

Dated: 11/22/06

By: 
for Anna L. Wolgast
Environmental Appeals Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing **Order Granting Fourth 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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