ENVIRONMENTAL APPEALS BOARD UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION WASHINGTON, D.C.

In re:

NPDES Appeal No. 15

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Clerk, Environmental Appeals Board

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City of Taunton, Department of Public Works

Permit No. MA0100897

ORDER GRANTING JOINT UNOPPOSED MOTION TO MODIFY AND SET FILING DEADLINES

The City of Taunton Department of Public Works ("Petitioner") petitioned the Environmental Appeals Board ("Board") on May 13, 2015, to review a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ("NPDES") permit that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 1 ("Region") issued to the Petitioner on April 10, 2015. Following the completion of briefing for this appeal, Petitioner filed two motions – a Motion to Supplement the Record (filed July 8, 2015) and a Motion to Appoint a Technical Advisor/Expert (filed July 9, 2015). On July 11, 2015, Petitioner filed a Joint Unopposed Motion to Modify the Response and Reply Deadlines for Petitioner's Motions, as well as a Joint Unopposed Motion to Set Deadlines for the Region's anticipated motion to strike and accompanying response and reply.

Ordinarily, the schedule for replies and responses to motions would be governed by operation of rule, 40 C.F.R. § 124.19(f)-(g) in particular. The parties, however, timely request that the Board modify the existing response deadlines due to personal and professional conflicts of counsel. The parties have conferred and agree on the following proposed schedule of deadlines:

<u>Due on or before August 6, 2015</u> Region's Response to Motion to Supplement the Record Region's Response to Motion to Appoint a Technical Advisor/Expert Region's Motion to Strike

<u>Due on or before August 19, 2015</u> Petitioner's Reply in support of Motion to Supplement the Record Petitioner's Reply in support of Motion to Appoint a Technical Advisor/Expert

<u>Due on or before September 9, 2015</u> Petitioner's Response to the Region's Motion to Strike

Due on or before September 30, 2015 Region's Reply in support of Motion to Strike

The Board has considered these motions and determined that the proposed filing schedule will not add unduly delay the Board's conclusion of this matter. Accordingly, for good cause shown and pursuant to its authority under 40 C.F.R. § 124.19(n), the Board GRANTS the joint unopposed motions to modify and set filing deadlines. The deadlines are as set forth above.

So ordered.

ENVIRONMENTAL APPEALS BOARD

Dated: July 15, 2015

By: Mary Beth Ward

Environmental Appeals Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that copies of the forgoing *Order Granting Joint Unopposed Motion to Modify and Set Filing Deadlines* in the matter of City of Taunton Department of Public Works, NPDES Appeal Nos. 15-08, were sent to the following persons in the manner indicated:

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