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

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In re:		JUL 2 C 2007
Wyman Gordon Co.	NPDES Appeal No. 06-14	CLERK, ENVIRONMENTAL APPEALS BOARD
NPDES Permit No. MA 0004341))	INITIALS LATERALS BUARD

ORDER GRANTING REQUEST FOR A CONTINUED STAY OF PROCEEDINGS

In a joint status report filed July 17, 2007, in the above-captioned matter, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region I ("Region") and petitioner Wyman Gordon Company ("WGC") request a continued stay of proceedings to allow the parties to resolve this matter through settlement negotiations. Currently, the proceedings are stayed until August 19, 2007, by which date the Region must file its response to the Petition for Review filed by WGC.

In their status report, WGC and the Region state that they are continuing their efforts to resolve this matter through negotiation. To facilitate settlement, WGC and the Region report that on July 25, 2007, the Region will make a site visit to WGC's facility. According to the parties, the purpose of the site visit is "to better understand how existing stormwater controls at the facility operate and to identify specific opportunities to reduce the overall volume and impact of stormwater discharged from the facility." The parties further report that WGC has submitted to the Region a detailed response to alternative permitting scenarios proposed by the Region, including a prohibition on discharges during low flow conditions. The parties state that they intend to discuss this and other topics during their site visit, and expect that as a result of the visit and followup discussions, "the outlines of a final settlement, as well as remaining obstacles

* * * will emerge with greater clarity." Expressing their belief that a "negotiated outcome to this

dispute is likely," the parties request a continuance of the stay for ninety (90) more days in order

to accommodate their settlement efforts, and to allow time for permit modification procedures if

settlement is reached.

For good cause shown, the parties' joint request for a continued stay of proceedings is

granted. The proceedings are stayed an additional ninety days, until November 19, 2007, and the

Region's August 19, 2007 filing deadline is rescinded. The parties are directed to submit a status

report by October 4, 2007, to advise the Board whether it is appropriate to continue the stay,

dismiss the Petition for Review, or schedule the Region's response to the Petition. Moreover,

consistent with the parties' representations in the joint status report, the parties are directed to

advise the Board expeditiously if at any time during the stay it appears that settlement has

become unlikely.

So ordered.

ENVIRONMENTAL APPEALS BOARD

Dated: July 36, 2007

By:

Kathie A. Stein

Environmental Appeals Judge

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing Order Granting Request for a Continued Stay of Proceedings in the matter of Wyman Gordon Company, NDPES Appeal No. 06-14, were sent to the following persons in the manner indicated:

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