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January 12, 2016

Ms. Eurika Durr Clerk of the Board U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Environmental Appeals Board 1201 Constitution Avenue, NW U.S. EPA East Building, Room 3334 Washington, DC 20004

RE: City of Nashua Wastewater Treatment Facility
NPDES Permit Appeal No. 15-06; NPDES Permit No. MA0100170

Dear Ms. Durr:

Please find a Joint Status Report in connection with NPDES Appeal No. 15-06.

Sincerely,

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

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In the Matter of:)	
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City of Nashua)	
Wastewater Treatment Facility)	NPDES Appeal No. 15-06
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NPDES Permit No. NH0100170)	
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JOINT STATUS REPORT

I. Background

On April 13, 2015, the City of Nashua, New Hampshire filed a Petition for Review ("Petition") with the Environmental Appeals Board ("Board") requesting review of certain conditions of a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ("NPDES") permit issued by Region 1 of the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("Region") authorizing discharges of wastewater effluent from the City's Wastewater Treatment Facility to the Merrimack River, as well as from nine Combined Sewer Overflows to the Merrimack and Nashua Rivers.

Following settlement discussions, the parties reported that they had negotiated an agreement to resolve the Petition in its entirety, and moved the Board to stay the proceedings to allow the settlement to be implemented via a permit modification. *See Status Report and Fourth Joint Motion to Stay the Proceedings* (October 9, 2015). The Board granted the motion, staying the proceedings until February 16, 2016, and requiring periodic status reports. *Fourth Order Extending Staying of Proceedings* at 2 (October 16, 2015). In their most recent status report, the parties informed the Board that the Region

had sent a draft of the permit modification materials to the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services ("NHDES") for their review. *See Status Report* (December 16, 2015).

II. Status Report

NHDES has completed their review of the draft permit modification documents.

On January 12, 2016, the Region transmitted revised drafts incorporating NHDES comments to the City for their review and concurrence.

Dated: January 12, 2016

Respectfully submitted,

U.S. EPA – Region 1

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