

BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENTAL APPEALS BOARD U.S. E.P.A.
UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
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In re: Easley Combined Utilities

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) NPDES Appeal No. 06-10
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NPDES Permit No. SC0039853

STATUS REPORT

On January 12, 2007, in response to the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) Notification of Intent to Withdraw Portions of NPDES Permit (Notification), the Environmental Appeals Board (EAB) issued an Order Staying Proceedings and Establishing Status Report Schedule. Under that Order, the first Status Report is due on February 15, 2007. As reported in the Notification, the first step in the permit modification process is to send an informal draft permit to the permittee for their review. EPA has been working closely with the State of South Carolina and reviewing available materials and data regarding the withdrawn limitations. EPA has redrafted the permit and associated documents (fact sheet) and plans to send the informal draft permit to the permittee by the end of this week, requesting comments in 21 days. At that point EPA will consider their comments and issue the formal draft permit for public comment, requesting State Section 401 certification at the same time. EPA anticipates staying on the schedule proposed in the Notification.

Respectfully submitted this 14th day of February, 2007.

**UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL
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