

BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENTAL APPEALS BOARD
UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
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In re: Easley Combined Utilities)	NPDES Appeal No. 06-10
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NPDES Permit No. SC0039853)	
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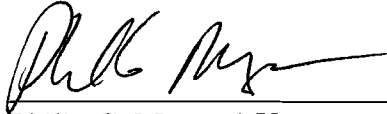
JOINT MOTION TO STAY THE PETITION

Counsel for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 4 and Petitioner, Easley Combined Utilities jointly request that the Environmental Appeals Board (EAB) stay all proceedings in the above-captioned matter. In support of this motion, EPA notes that some of the issues raised in the Petition are complicated and require coordination with EPA headquarters and with South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SCDHEC). The two attorneys working on this matter in the Office of General Counsel are not available this week to finalize EPA's response. In addition, the parties offer that they believe that discussions between the parties would be beneficial to the review of these issues, and have the potential to result in resolution of some of the issues. Accordingly, the parties request a stay until November 13, 2006, for EPA to file its Response to the Petition.

For the reasons set forth above, and in the interest of judicial economy, counsel for the Parties respectively request that the Joint Motion for a Stay of the Petition pending further discussions among the parties be granted by the Environmental Appeals Board.

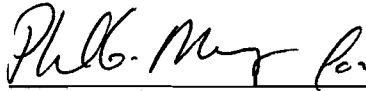
Respectfully submitted this 12th day of October, 2006.

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