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> In Re: Government of the District of Columbia, Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System

Docket Nos. NPDES Appeal No. 06-07 and 06-08

Dear Ms. Durr:

Enclosed for filing please find the original and five copies of a Joint Motion for Stay of Proceedings, Extension of Time and Consolidation of Proceedings in the above-captioned matter. Also enclosed is a proposed Order granting same.

> Sincerely, for I hie

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SIXTH JOINT MOTION FOR STAY OF PROCEEDINGS AND EXTENSION OF TIME

Respondent in this proceeding, U.S. EPA Region III ("EPA"), and Petitioners, the Government of the District of Columbia ("DC Government") including its independent instrumentality the District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority ("DC WASA"); and Friends of the Earth and Defenders of Wildlife ("FOE/DOW"), collectively, "the Parties," hereby submit this Sixth Joint Motion for Stay of Proceedings and Extension of Time for EPA to file a response to the Petitioners' petitions ("Response") and certified index to the administrative record. Pursuant to Order of the Environmental Appeals Board ("Board") dated February 20, 2007,

EPA's consolidated brief in response to the DC and FOE/DOW's Petitions for Review is currently due April 16, 2007.

The Parties have held numerous settlement discussions in person and by teleconference. In addition, high-level talks among the Petitioners have taken place, including the Acting Director of the D.C. Department of the Environment. Finally, Petitioner EarthJustice submitted a detailed settlement proposal to the other Parties on March 30, 2007. The Parties anticipate that it will take at least one month to review and provide input on such proposal, and then several weeks to meet to discuss the proposal and/or to enter formal mediation to resolve any outstanding issues.

Therefore, the parties hereby jointly move for an additional 60-day stay of proceedings and extension to EPA's filing obligations until June 14, 2007 to facilitate continued settlement discussions.

Respectfully submitted this 5 day of April, 2007,

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Government of the District of Columbia and District of Columbia Water & Sewer Authority,)))
Friends of the Earth and Defenders of Wildlife,	
Petitioners,	
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III,	
Respondent.)
PROPOSED ORDER GRANTING SIX OF PROCEEDINGS AND E	XTENSION OF TIME
Time is hereby granted. EPA shall file its Response	e to the Petitions and administrative record n
later than June 14, 2007.	
So ordered.	
Dated:	ENVIRONMENTAL APPEALS BOARD
	By:
	Environmental Anneals Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the date indicated below I filed the original and five copies of the foregoing Sixth Joint Motion for Stay of Proceedings and Extension of Time with the Clerk of the Environmental Appeals Board by facsimile and U.S. mail. Moreover, I hereby certify that on the same date I sent a copy of the foregoing document to each of the parties below, by facsimile and first class certified mail, return receipt requested:

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