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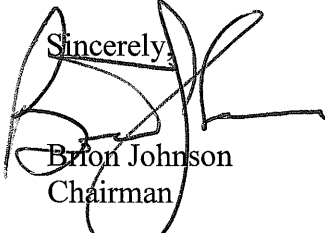
Dear Mr. Aunkst:

I am writing to you to summarize the Technical Assistance Center Advisory Board's (TAC Board) review of the Department's proposed revisions to Chapter 109, Drinking Water Regulations. These revisions to Chapter 109 are in response to the new Ground Water Rule regulations promulgated by the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Program staff provided members a summary of the Ground Water Rule and the proposed revisions at our meeting on December 13, 2007. Due to weather conditions, there was not a quorum. Therefore, TAC was unable to develop a formal response to the Department's proposed changes. However, those members who were present did have the opportunity to ask questions and provide comments. In addition, through e-mail, all of our members were given the opportunity to submit written comments to DEP.

Based upon the aforementioned review of the regulations by the Board, the Board recommends the draft proposed Chapter 109, Drinking Water Regulations be forwarded to the Environmental Quality Board for approval and publication as proposed rulemaking. The Board recognizes the deadlines established by EPA for the promulgation of the Department's rulemaking and fully endorses that the rulemaking be presented to the Environmental Quality Board as expeditiously as possible.

If you have questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,  
  
Brian Johnson  
Chairman