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SUBJECT: Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program

Amendments to the Final FFY2009 Priority System, Intended Use Plan, Project Priority List and Final Intended Use Plan and Response Document for the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009

FFY2010 Final Priority System, Intended Use Plan, Project Priority List and Response Document"

Dear Interested Parties:

The Drinking Water State Revolving Fund FFY2009 and FFY2010 Final Intended Use Plans and Response Documents are available for review. A Public Hearing regarding the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program was held on May 18, 2009 at the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (Department) Public Hearing Room. The Department considered the oral comments presented at the hearing and the written comments received.

Significant changes were made to the proposed 2009 funding program based on the comments received by the Department. Projects on the Comprehensive 2009 Traditional/American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (AARA) Priority List (Appendix C of the Intended Use Plan) will be given an opportunity to compete for the ARRA monies in ranked order first, then readiness to proceed. Projects that did not submit a recommitment letter, were bypassed or withdrew from the 2009 funding cycle were deleted from the 2009 Project List.

The Priority System, Intended Use Plan, Project Priority List (IUP) addresses the federal stimulus program under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 and the traditional program under the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund.

The Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) Amendments of 1996 authorized a Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) to assist publicly and privately owned community water systems and

nonprofit noncommunity water systems to achieve or maintain compliance with SDWA requirements and to further the public health objectives of the SDWA. The DWSRF is administered as a component of the Environmental Infrastructure Financing Program that also administers the State's Clean Water State Revolving Loan Fund (CWSRF).

The IUP also contains the FFY2009 and the FFY2010 schedules. Project sponsors must meet these schedules with all applicable deadlines in order to be considered for financing in November 2009 or 2010.

Should you have any questions regarding the IUP or the DWSRF program, please contact Philip Royer or Josephine Craver at the Bureau of Safe Drinking Water Technical Assistance at (609) 292-5550 or fax (609) 292-1654.

If you would like a copy of the IUP, you may contact the DWSRF program or obtain a copy from our website, http://www.state.nj.us/dep/watersupply/loanprog.htm. The 2009 DWSRF Project "living list" is updated weekly and may be accessed on the web at http://www.nj.gov/dep/arra/docs/arra dw 2009.pdf.

Very truly yours,

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ATTACHMENT

C: Community Water Supply Systems

Nonprofit Noncommunity Water Supply Systems

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