February 23, 2016

RE: April 12 Hearing – Municipal Stormwater NJPDES Permit Program

Dear Mayor:

The New Jersey Clean Water Council (NJCCW) plans to seek public testimony on the Preliminary Draft Renewal of the municipal stormwater permit (released February 8, 2016). The existing permits authorize the discharge of stormwater to our water bodies from infrastructure owned or operated by municipalities in the State. This hearing provides interested parties the opportunity to offer input prior to issuance of the draft permits. The preliminary draft permit for Tier A municipalities is posted at www.nj.gov/dep/dwq/tier_a.htm and the permit for the Tier B municipalities will be posted when available. The Department plans to issue formal draft Tier A and B permits, subject to public notice and comment, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:14A-15, later this year; this hearing does not replace that public process.

The Public Hearing will be held on April 12, 2016 at the New Jersey Forensic Science Technology Center at 1200 Negron Dr., Hamilton, NJ from 1 to 4pm. A formal notice for the hearing with additional information will follow.

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Sincerely,

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