DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION OF WATERSHED MANAGEMENT

ADOPTED REVISION TO THE UPPER DELAWARE WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT PLAN,

FEB 2-8 2005 TAKE NOTICE that on _, pursuant to the provisions of the Water Quality Planning Act, N.J.S.A.58:11A-1 et seq, and the Statewide Water Quality Management Planning rules, N.J.A.C. 7:15-3.5, a revision to the Upper Delaware Water Quality Management Plan was adopted by the Department. This revision updates the Hackettstown Municipal Utilities Authority (HMUA) Wastewater Management Plan to add the existing Diamond Hill Sewer Company's Sewage Treatment Plant (Diamond Hill STP) service area in Mansfield Township, Warren County and to include a corresponding re-rating of the HMUA Water Pollution Control Plant (WPCP) located in Washington Township, Morris County, in accordance with a Administrative Consent Order (ACO), executed on June 6, 2002 between the Department and the HMUA. Pursuant to the ACO's compliance schedule, the HMUA was required to take over ownership and operation of the existing Diamond Hill STP and its corresponding sewer service area upon completion of improvements to pump the wastewater to the HMUA WPCP and close the Diamond Hill STP. Accordingly the HMUA WPCP will be re-rated by a value that would not reduce the treatment capacity available for the existing HMUA service area based upon the Department's review of actual flow data for the Diamond Hill STP over a 16 month interval covering the period between July 2002 and October 2003. Based upon this flow data, the Department will allow the HMUA WPCP's final effluent flow limit to be increased from 3.3 million gallons per day (mgd) to 3.39 mgd in order to accommodate the Diamond Hill STP sewer service area.

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