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Mr. Michael B. Cook
U. S. Environmental Protection Agency
Office of Wastewater Management
401 M Street
Washington, DC 20460

RE: Pretreatment Program Pilot Project

Dear Mr. Cook

Enclosed for your consideration is MSD's proposal for the "Reinvention of MSD's Pretreatment Program to Achieve Further Water Quality Improvement" under Project XL. The goal of the proposed project is to develop Environmental Performance Measures and to use those measures as a basis for modifications to the Pretreatment Program to achieve greater environmental benefits. One thing that may differentiate this proposal from others is the fact that significant additional monitoring will be conducted and assessed prior to implementing revisions to the existing program. Also, MSD has already been awarded a 104(b)(3) Grant from your office for the development of the Performance Measures; therefore, work has already begun on this effort. Please note that the proposal is organized according to the format recommended by EPA in the "Project XL: Best Practices for Proposal Development" (dated September 14, 1998).

Overall, MSD has shown a strong commitment to continued improvement of watershed health. We believe that the lessons learned from this project will allow opportunities for even greater environmental improvements to the selected watershed(s). Additionally, the methodology will be transferable to MSD's other watersheds as well as other municipalities.

I appreciate your consideration of this proposal and look forward to your review. If you have any questions, please call me at (502) 540-6346; or our proposed Project Manager - Sharon Worley at (502) 540-6464.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director

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