

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION III 1650 Arch Street Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103-2029 May 25, 2005

Mr. James Collier, Program Manager Bureau of Environmental Quality Environmental Health Administration D.C. Department of Health, Suite 5010 51 N Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20002

Dear Mr. Collier:

The U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is pleased to approve Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) for arsenic, copper, lead and zinc for Battery Kemble Creek and Foundry Branch and for chlordane, DDD, DDE, DDT, dieldrin, heptachlor epoxide, PAHs and PCBs for Dalecarlia Tributary. Those TMDLs were submitted by the District of Columbia Department of Health (DC DOH) and received by EPA for review and approval on August 24, 2004. The TMDLs were established and submitted in accordance with Sections 303(d)(1)(c) and 303(d)(2) of the Clean Water Act. The TMDLs were established to address impairments of water quality as identified in the District of Columbia's, 1998, 2002 and 2004 Section 303(d) lists of impaired waters still needing TMDLs. The TMDLs address three segments on the 1998 Section 303(d) list of impaired waters. A rationale of our approval is enclosed.

Following the approval of this TMDL, DC DOH shall incorporate it into the State's Water Quality Management Plan pursuant to 40 CFR § 130.7(d)(2). As you know, any new or revised National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permits with applicable effluent limits must be consistent with the TMDL's wasteload allocation pursuant to 40 CFR § 122.44 (d)(1)(VII)(B).

If you have further questions, please call me or have your staff contact Jonathan D. Essoka at (215) 814-5774.

Sincerely,

John A. Armstead for

Jon M. Capacasa, Director Water Protection Division

Enclosure

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