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Dan Opalski, Director
Office of Water and Watersheds
U.S. EPA Region 10
1200 Sixth Ave.
Seattle, WA 98101

Re: Attorney General Certification of Amended Idaho Water Quality Standards,
Docket No. 58-0102-1501

Dear Mr. Opalski,

I have reviewed the process by which the Idaho Board of Environmental Quality (Board) adopted revisions to the Idaho Water Quality Standards (Docket No. 58-0102-1501) and hereby certify that said rules were duly adopted pursuant to state law.

Consistent with provisions of the Idaho Administrative Procedure Act for public participation, the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) used a negotiated rulemaking process that included two meetings with stakeholders to develop the rule language. During the negotiated rulemaking process, stakeholders also provided written comments to DEQ. A public hearing was not scheduled nor requested.

These rules were approved by the Idaho Legislature and became final and effective on March 25, 2016.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Douglas M. Conde".

Douglas M. Conde
Deputy Attorney General

cc: Barry Burnell
Don Essig