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Dear Mr. Laity:

On behalf of the Association of Clean Water Administrators, I thank you for taking the time on February 26, 2015, to hear from water quality regulators from the states of Indiana, Virginia, Kansas, Colorado and Oregon regarding the national rulemaking to clarify the federal water quality standards regulation (78 Fed. Reg. 54518, RIN 2040-AF16), which is currently under review by the Office of Management & Budget.

We hope that we successfully relayed our belief that the final rule will address our major concerns and provide states an acceptable range of opportunity to work within the regulations. We also do not believe it is necessary to re-write any of the proposed clarifications.

Again, thank you for your time and attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,

Martha Clark Mettler  
ACWA President  
Deputy Assistant Commissioner  
Office of Water Quality  
Indiana Department of Environmental Management

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