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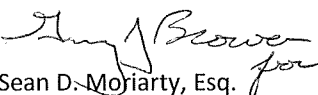
Dear Mr. Cantor,

Please be advised that the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) has reviewed and considered your request in conjunction with other requests made for an extension of the public comment period on the DEP's March 4, 2019 proposal of amendments to the Surface Water Quality Standards, N.J.A.C. 7:9B, to upgrade 749 river miles to Category One (C1) antidegradation designation.

In accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:1D-5.1(a), the DEP has determined that an extension of the comment period from May 3, 2019 until Monday, June 3, 2019 is appropriate to provide additional time for submission of written comment.

In light of the DEP's extension of the comment period in accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:1D-5.1(a), which will provide additional time for submission of written comment, and the recent public hearing held on April 8, 2019, it is not anticipated that an additional public hearing would be likely to result in receipt of additional comments that would raise issues or provide new information. Accordingly, the DEP will not be scheduling any additional public hearings on this rulemaking.

Sincerely,

  
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Director