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September 25, 2014

Mr. Ted Diers, Administrator
Watershed Management Bureau
New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services
29 Hazen Drive
P.O. Box 95
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Re: Approval of Pearly Lake TMDL

Dear Mr. Diers:

Thank you for your submission of New Hampshire's Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) for Pearly Lake. The lake was included on the State's 2012 303(d) list and was prioritized for TMDL development. The purpose of this TMDL is to address the phosphorus-related impairments of hepatotoxic cyanobacteria, chlorophyll a, dissolved oxygen and total phosphorus.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) hereby approves New Hampshire's phosphorus TMDL for Pearly Lake, received by EPA on August 27, 2014. EPA has determined that the TMDL meets the requirements of §303(d) of the Clean Water Act (CWA), and of EPA's implementing regulations (40 CFR Part 130). Attached is a copy of our approval documentation.

My staff and I look forward to continued cooperation with the NHDES in exercising our shared responsibility of implementing the requirements under Section 303(d) of the CWA.

If you have any questions, please contact Ralph Abele (617-918-1629) or Toby Stover (617-918-1604) of my staff.

Sincerely,

/s/

Ken Moraff, Director
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