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Ms. Denise Ruzicka  
Hearings Officer  
Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection  
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RE: Request for extension for submittal of written comments on the proposed amendments to the Connecticut Water Quality Standards

Dear Ms. Ruzicka,

The members of the Environmental Professionals' Organization (EPOC) have a keen interest in the proposed amendments to the Connecticut Water Quality Standards and we are preparing written comments at the current time. During the public informational session held at DEP on January 26, 2010, it was stated by Ms. Traci Iott that the Department of Environmental Protection was completing a "Technical Support Document" on the proposed amendments, and that it would be available soon. This document is necessary for us to make an objective scientific evaluation of the standards being proposed in the amendments. Given the fact that the final date to submit written comments is February 16, 2010 and this document is not yet available, we respectfully request the deadline for written comments be extended to 60 days following the availability of the Technical Support Document.

Thank you for your consideration. We look forward to commenting on the proposed amendments.

Sincerely,

Seth Molofsky  
Executive Director

Cc: Betsey Wingfield, Bureau Chief, Bureau of Water Protection and Land Reuse, CT DEP  
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