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Christopher Jones, Director
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Subject: Water Quality Management Plan-Scioto River Basin and Blacklick Creek Plan

Dear Mr. Jones:

This letter is in response to the submittal of the Water Quality Management Plan-Scioto River Basin and Blacklick Creek Plan, dated December 4, 2002, that was certified on January 22, 2003, by Governor Bob Taft. This was a submitted update to the Areawide Waste Treatment Management Plan and the State's Water Quality Management Plan.

Pursuant to Clean Water Act section 303(e) and 40 C.F.R. Part 130, I am approving this plan, as clarified in the November 6, 2003, letter from your Agency, which included a schedule for future updates.

I want to acknowledge the substantial effort that preparation of this plan represents and I also recognize the cooperative work of our staff, who prepared this plan for approval. We look forward to working with you in the future. Please call me at 312/886-0126, if you have any questions.

Sincerely yours,

Jo Lynn Traub
Director, Water Division

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