



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
REGION 10

1200 Sixth Avenue, Suite 900  
Seattle, Washington 98101-3140

OFFICE OF THE  
REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR

AUG 11 2011

The Honorable Larry Hartig, Commissioner  
Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation  
410 Willoughby Avenue, Suite 303  
P.O. Box 111800  
Juneau, Alaska 99811-1800

Dear Commissioner Hartig:

I am pleased to inform you that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has today approved the State of Alaska's Phase IV program revision for the Alaska Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (APDES) pursuant to Section 402 of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1342. Specifically, the EPA approved the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation's (ADEC) program revision to extend the deadline for the transfer of authority for Phase IV by one year, or until October 31, 2012.

Enclosed with this letter is a copy of the executed, amended Memorandum of Agreement that our agencies modified to incorporate the Phase IV one year extension and to update the Phase IV permit list.

Thank you for your consideration and effort in completing this Phase IV program revision. We recognize the hard work that ADEC is doing to implement and administer the APDES program. We look forward to continuing to work closely with you and your staff to implement the APDES program and to ensure a successful transition of Phase IV next year.

Please feel free to contact me at (206) 553-1234 if you have any questions, or your staff may contact Mike Lidgard, Manager of the NPDES Permits Unit, at (206) 553-1775.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dennis J. McLerran".

Dennis J. McLerran  
Regional Administrator

Enclosure