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February 19, 2009

Laura Pelosi, Commissioner  
Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation  
103 South Main Street  
Waterbury VT 05671-0408

**SUBJECT: Approval of Moon, Stevens, and Rugg Brook TMDLs**

Dear Commissioner Pelosi:

Thank you for your submittal of the Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) documents that address biological impairments in Moon, Stevens, and Rugg Brooks. These waterbodies are included on Vermont's 2008 303(d) list and were prioritized for TMDL development. The purpose of these TMDLs is to address aquatic life use impairments caused by stormwater runoff.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) hereby approves Vermont's October, 2008 versions of the three TMDLs (for Moon, Stevens, and Rugg Brooks) submitted with a cover letter dated October 2, 2008. EPA has determined that these TMDLs meet the requirements of §303(d) of the Clean Water Act (CWA), and of EPA's implementing regulations (40 CFR Part 130). A copy of our approval documentation is enclosed.

Thank you again for your submittal. My staff and I look forward to continued cooperation with VTDEC in exercising our shared responsibility of implementing the requirements under Section 303(d) of the CWA.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ken Moraff".

Ken Moraff, Acting Director  
Office of Ecosystem Protection

Enclosure

cc: Tim Clear, VT DEC