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CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DETERMINATION FOR THE PROPOSED WASTEWATER PROJECT FOR CITY OF LOUISVILLE

The Water Quality Control Division of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment has conducted a review of the proposed drinking water project for the City of Louisville in accordance with Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and State of Colorado procedures for implementing the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) (40 CFR Part 6) and the State of Colorado NEPA-like policy (SRF Operating Agreement). The State has determined that this project is eligible for a categorical exclusion. Accordingly, the State is exempting the project from further substantive environmental review requirements under the above stated policies.

Project Description:

The proposed project consists of wastewater treatment facility upgrades to provide Biological Nutrient Removal, including new biosolids handling, headworks, process trains, clarifiers, UV trains, pumps, mixers, diffusers, blowers, as well as modifications to digesters and tanks. The project will be funded with a portion of a Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund loan in the amount of \$31,641,348 at an interest rate of 2.18%. The project will cost \$26,968,534, however, current user rates are sufficient and monthly user rates increases are not required.

Criteria for Granting a Categorical Exclusion under 40 CFR part 6.204:

The action proposed will ensure compliance with current and future wastewater treatment standards. The following criteria condition the allowance of the categorical exclusion for the proposed action:

1. Functional replacement of equipment;
2. Construction of new ancillary facilities either adjacent or appurtenant to existing facilities which do not affect the degree or capacity of treatment;
3. Minor upgrades and expansions of existing treatment works in sewered communities (sewer extensions are not included.)

The documentation to support this decision will be on file at the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, Water Quality Control Division, in Denver, Colorado, and is available for public scrutiny upon request. Comments concerning this decision may be addressed to:

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Dated this 26 day of June, 2015.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Patrick J. Pfaltzgraff', written over a large, stylized blue circular mark.

Patrick J. Pfaltzgraff
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