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## **CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DETERMINATION FOR THE PROPOSED WASTEWATER PROJECT FOR THE TOWN OF CHERAW**

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 **Town of Cheraw** in accordance with EPA and the 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 is to convert the existing Wastewater Treatment Plant from a groundwater discharge to an evaporative facility. This will involve reshaping cells 2 and 3, the cleaning and disposing of the biosolids, installing synthetic membrane liners including the ballast tubes, and install influent flow monitoring manhole and equipment. The project will be funded by a Water Pollution Control State Revolving Fund loan in the amount of \$405,000. The project will receive Principle forgiveness and will not require an increase in user rates.

### **Criteria for Granting a Categorical Exclusion under 40 CFR parts 6.107 and 6.505**

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

- Minor rehabilitation of existing facilities;
- Functional replacement of equipment
- Minor upgrades and expansions of existing treatment works in sewered communities.

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 9<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2011.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steven H. Gunderson", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Steven H. Gunderson, Director  
Water Quality Control Division