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RE: Water Quality Legislation and Rulemaking

Dear Ann:

I have been asked by the MEDEP to review several amendments to Maine statutes and rules in order to certify changes to Maine's water quality standards. As required by 40 CFR § 131.6(e), I certify that the following statutory amendments and rules were duly adopted pursuant to State law.

2005 Legislative Session

PL 2005, c. 159 (LD 1497), "An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Water Quality Standards for Ragged and Seboomook Lakes." This law became effective September 17, 2005.

PL 2005, c. 182 (LD 1304), "An Act Concerning Invasive Species and Water Quality Standards." This law became effective September 17, 2005.

PL 2005, c. 330 (LD 1588), Sections 7, 8, 11 and 12 only, "An Act to Amend Certain Laws Administered by the Department of Environmental Protection." This law became effective September 17, 2005.

PL 2005, c. 409 (LD 1450), "An Act to Amend Water Quality Standards." This law became effective June 20, 2005

2004-2005 Rulemakings

06-096 CMR 530, "Surface Water Toxics Control Program," and 06-096 CMR 584, "Surface Water Quality Criteria for Toxic Pollutants," became effective October 9, 2005. On the same date, 06-096 CMR 530.5, "Environmental Evaluation: Surface Water Toxics Control Program," was repealed.

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