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Re: Environmental Review of Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Water System Improvement Project, Jericho – Underhill Water District, WSID # 5096, DWSRF Loan# AR3-030.

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

The attached National Environmental Policy Act Categorical Exclusion determination for your project is being distributed to interested regulatory agencies, stakeholders, and other interested parties. Additionally, the Categorical Exclusion determination will be posted on the Water Supply Division's website.

Please contact me toll-free at 1-800-823-6500 ext. 3408 with questions or comments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bryan J. Redmond".

Bryan J. Redmond
DWSRF Program Specialist

C: Eric Blatt, P.E., Water Supply Division
Allyn Lewis, P.E., Facilities Engineering Division

State of Vermont
Agency of Natural Resources
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Notice of Determination of Eligibility for Categorical Exclusion

Jericho – Underhill Water District, WSID #5096
Water System Improvements
DWSRF Project Number AR3-030

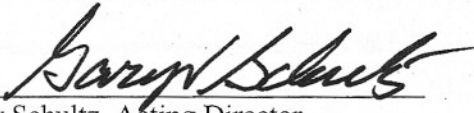
In accordance with Section VII of the Department's Environmental Review Procedures for projects funded through the Vermont/EPA Revolving Loan Fund Program, Jericho – Underhill Water District, Water System WSID #5096 has requested its proposed water improvement project be evaluated for eligibility for a Categorical Exclusion exempting the project from detailed environmental procedures required for projects having a significant environmental impact.

The proposed upgrade includes emergency replacement of an exposed waterline in the Browns River. The installation consists of 250 linear feet of 8" pipe by horizontal directional drilling underneath the river. The project includes other miscellaneous improvements.

Our consideration of the Jericho – Underhill Water District request included reviewing the Environmental Information Document and supporting documentation, dated May 2009. At the completion of this independent evaluation, the Department has determined the project meets the criteria for receiving a Categorical Exclusion. The project will correct water system deficiencies and does not meet any of the criteria resulting in denial of an exclusion.

Further information on the project and this determination are available for inspection at the Department of Environmental Conservation, Water Supply Division, Old Pantry Building, at 103 South Main Street, Waterbury, Vermont. In addition to the applicant, a copy of this determination will be sent to a list of stakeholders and posted on the Water Supply Division's website.

Agency of Natural Resources
Department of Environmental Conservation
Justin Johnson, Acting Commissioner

By 
Gary Schultz, Acting Director
Water Supply Division

Dated at Waterbury, Vermont this 25 day of June, 2009