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Dear Dr. Young and Mr. Sweeney:

With this letter, I am submitting the following deliverable, due November 30, 2014, pursuant to the NYSDOH Revised 2007 Filtration Avoidance Determination (FAD).

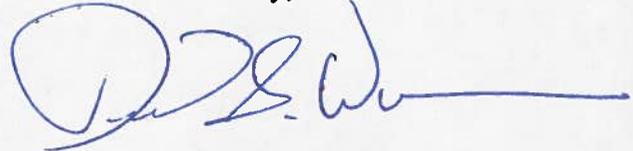
<i>Program</i>	<i>Deliverable</i>
<i>4.6 Stream Management Program Water Quality Monitoring Studies</i>	Submit a proposal, including implementation schedule, for monitoring at Stream Management project sites. Report on the status of an ongoing USGS study.

Section 3.1 of the FAD requires the City to meet with NYSDOH/EPA to review implementation status of the Cluster System and Small Business Programs by November 30, 2014. In lieu of meeting, the City is providing a written update on the status of the program. The Cluster Septic System Program funds the planning, design, and construction of cluster septic systems in 13 communities in the WOH watershed. The Catskill Watershed Corporation (CWC) adopted the Cluster Septic System Program Rules in April 2011. DEP provided \$2 million to fund the program. To date, no cluster septic systems have been constructed under the program. Any septic failures that have been identified within one of the 13 eligible areas have been addressed through the existing residential Septic System Rehabilitation and Replacement Program or the Small Business Program. As future septic failures are identified in one of the 13 identified program areas, CWC will continue to contact the homeowner and the local municipality to determine the level of interest in a cluster system project.

Section 9, Administration, requires the City, in consultation with the New York City Office of Management and Budget, to make a presentation to NYSDOH/EPA and NYSDEC on the amount of money appropriated and spent for watershed protection programs and its adequacy to meet program objectives and FAD requirements. This meeting was held on November 18, 2014 in DEP's Valhalla office.

As always, if you have any questions about this report or other aspects of the City's watershed protection efforts, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "D. S. Warne", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

David S. Warne  
Assistant Commissioner

c: K. Kosinski, DEC