## WELLS COUNTY REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT

August 30, 2011

Paul Cluxton, Enforcement Case Manager Surface Water, Operations & Enforcement Branch Enforcement Section Indiana Department of Environmental Management Office of Water Quality – Mail Code 60-02W 100 N. Senate Avenue Indianapolis, IN 46204-2251



Re:

Response to Letter of Noncompliance with Agreed Order Dated July 28, 2011 Case No. 2002-11499-W

Wells County

Dear Mr. Cluxton:

This letter serves to request an extension of six months to March 31, 2012 for submittal of a complete District Plan. This will allow the Wells County Regional Sewer District to evaluate lower cost alternatives for resolving the failing septic systems discharge problem to the McKinney/Paxson Ditches. The District will:

- Work in cooperation with the City of Bluffton who already serves some of the residents in the McKinney/Paxson Area.
- Develop a cost estimate.
- Update the rate study.
- Meet with financing agency such as SRF or USDA Rural Development.
- Submit a feasible solution/project.
- Develop a detailed time schedule.
- Submit the updated Wells County Sewer Use Ordinance which is in the process of being adopted by the County Commissioners.

The Wells County Commissioners and Wells County Council are committed to these necessary actions.

The Wells County Regional Sewer District has requested a meeting with you to discuss this further.

Very truly yours,

Glenn Ryan, Wells County RSD Board President

cc: Paul Cluxton, IDEM Enforcement

Lynne Newlon, Regional Water & Sewer District Coordinator

Trent M. Patterson, Wells County Attorney

Kevin Woodward, Wells County Commissioners

Peter Cole, President County Council

Mary Hollingsworth, Chief Surface Water Operations and Enforcement Branch

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