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Subject: Transmittal of documentation of 2011 Triennial Review and resulting revisions to Utah's Water Quality Standards for Approval

Dear Mr. Martin:

Utah commenced the triennial review of our water quality standards in January 2011 as required by Sec. 131.20 of the Clean Water Act. This review resulted in revisions to *UAC R317-2 Standards of Quality of Waters of the State* that are submitted for your approval. The following documents are provided for your review:

Triennial Review (available at http://www.waterquality.utah.gov/WQS/TriennialRev/index.htm)

1. Public Notice: newspaper notice announcing triennial review January 16, 2011.
2. March 21, 2011 DWQ memorandum: Summary of Comments Received at the Public Hearing for the 2011 Triennial Review.
3. March 23, 2011 DWQ memorandum: Triennial Review of Water Quality Standards Comments Received that includes comment responses.
4. Utah Water Quality Standards 2011 Triennial Review Topics and Utah Water Quality Standards Future Triennial Review Topics scoping worksheet.

Revisions to Water Quality Standards UAC R317-2

1. September 12, 2011 memorandum to the Utah Water Quality Board: Proposed Revisions to Water Quality Standards (R317-2) from 2011 Triennial Review describing proposed rule changes and supporting documentation.
2. Strikeout version of notice of proposed rule amendment published in the Utah Bulletin November 1, 2011
3. Public notice of proposed rulemaking: October 24, 2011 newspaper notice
4. A public hearing was held per the newspaper notice on Wednesday November 21,

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2011. Ms. Merritt Frey of the Utah Water Quality Board was the hearing officer. No one attended to comment on the proposed changes.

5. Letter from USEPA Region 8: Proposed Revisions to R317-2. These were the only comments received by the deadline December 15, 2011 and the comments did not require responses.
6. January 8, 2012 memorandum to Water Quality Board: Proposed Change in Rule to Utah Administrative Code R317-2 *Standards of Quality for Waters of the State* explaining proposed rule amendments and recommendation for adoption.
7. Utah Water Quality Board Adoption Order dated January 25, 2012.
8. Strikeout version of notice of proposed rule amendment published in the Utah Bulletin February 15, 2012.
9. Copy of UAC R317-2 Standards of Quality for Waters of the State effective April 1, 2012 (see last page)
10. September 6, 2012 letter from the Utah Attorney General to Walter Baker certifying that the standards were adopted consistent with Utah statute and rules

We request that these be added to USEPA's water quality standards docket for the State of Utah. If you have any questions, please contact me at 801-536-4371.

Sincerely,

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