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October 2, 2019

Shaun McGrath  
Department of Environmental Quality Director  
PO Box 200901  
Helena, Montana 59620-0901

Dear Director McGrath:

Pursuant to 75-1-324(10), MCA, the Environmental Quality Council (EQC) reviewed MAR Notice No. 17-405 to amend the Department's subdivision fee schedules set forth in ARM 17.36.802 and 17.38.106, and to adopt New Rule I regarding certifying authorities under 76-4-127, MCA. Following a review of the Department's proposal and after careful consideration, a majority of the members of the EQC notified the EQC's presiding officer by a vote on September 26, 2019, that they objected to the notice of proposed rulemaking in order to address the proposed rule at the EQC's next committee meeting. This letter constitutes notice to the Department that the EQC objected to MAR Notice No. 17-405 pursuant to 2-4-305(9), MCA, of the Montana Administrative Procedure Act. A copy of this notification will be included in the EQC's records.

The effect of the EQC's objection is that the proposed rule may not be adopted until publication of the last issue of the register that is published before expiration of the 6-month period during which the adoption notice must be published, unless prior to that time, the committee meets and does not make the same objection.

Please do not hesitate to contact me for additional information regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joe Carroll".

Joe Carroll  
Staff Attorney  
Environmental Quality Council

cc: Joe Kolman, Legislative Environmental Policy Analyst