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April 28, 2020

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. 17-406, and MAR Notice No. 17-406: Supplemental Notice of Proposed Adoption.

On April 27, 2020, following a review of proposed rules and after careful consideration, a majority of the members of the EQC notified the EQC's presiding officer by a vote that they objected to MAR Notice No. 17-406: Supplemental Notice of Proposed Adoption in order to address the Supplemental Notice of Proposed Adoption at the EQC's next meeting. This letter constitutes notice to the Department that the EQC objected to MAR Notice No. 17-406: Supplemental Notice of Proposed Adoption at the EQC's next meeting. This letter constitutes notice to the Department that the EQC objected to MAR Notice No. 17-406: Supplemental Notice of Proposed Adoption pursuant to 2-4-305(9), MCA. A copy of this notice will be included in the EQC's records.

The effect of the EQC's objection is that the Supplemental Notice of Proposed Adoption 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 EQC meets and does not make the same objection.

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

Sincerely,

/s/ Joe Carroll Joe Carroll Staff Attorney Environmental Quality Council

cc: Joe Kolman, Legislative Environmental Analyst Nadine Spencer, EQC Secretary