Subject: Stakeholder invitation: Water Supply Allocation Permits Rules

You are invited to a stakeholder meeting to discuss the proposed readoption with amendments of the Water Supply Allocation Permits Rules, N.J.A.C. 7:19 et seq. which sunset in February 2011. The Department will be making a presentation at the meeting as to what amendments to the rule are under consideration. Upon conclusion of the presentation, the Department is interested in hearing your suggestions on the following:

- 1) Do you recognize the need and basis for the draft rule amendments that are under consideration?
- 2) Are there additional rule amendments the Department should take into consideration for responding to drought or other water supply emergencies?
- 3) Are there any other amendments the Department should consider, and if so what are they?
- 4) In addition to the rule amendments under consideration, what other steps should the Department be taking to further streamline or improve the water allocation processes while still protecting the water resources of the State and the users of those resources?
- 5) Do the current water allocation rules provide adequate protection of both ground and surface water resources?

Meeting date: Monday, November 22, 2010, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. at DEP Headquarters, Public Hearing Room, 401 East State Street, Trenton, NJ.

Please RSVP to:

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If you attend the meeting, please sign in at the lobby receptionist before proceeding to the public hearing room.

This is not a public hearing, so no formal record of this meeting will be generated, beyond a record of those attending.

Thank you.

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