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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND ENERGY OFFICE OF LAND AND WATER PLANNING

AMENDMENT TO THE UPPER RARITAN AND UPPER DELAWARE WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

Public Notice

Take notice that on APR 29 1994 , pursuant to the provisions of the New Jersey Water Quality Planning Act, N.J.S.A. 58:11A-1 et seq., and the Statewide Water Quality Management Planning rules (N.J.A.C. 7:15-3.4), an amendment to the Upper Raritan and Upper Delaware Water Quality Management Plans was adopted by the Department. This amendment, submitted by Mount Olive Township, adopts a wastewater management plan (WMP) for the Township. The WMP allows for: expansion of the Clover Hill and Mount Olive Upper Elementary School wastewater treatment facilities; expansion the Mount Olive Villages Sewer Company wastewater and treatment facilities service area; several wastewater treatment facilities discharging to ground water; and abandonment of the Equity Plaza wastewater facilities with conveyance of flows to the Musconetcong Sewerage Authority (MSA) sewage treatment plant. The WMP identifies areas to be served by the Hackettstown Municipal Utilities Authority (HMUA), the MSA, on-site ground water discharge facilities less than 20,000 gallons per day (gpd), and onsite ground water discharge facilities less than 2,000 gpd.

This amendment proposal was noticed in the New Jersey Register on February 7, 1994. Comments on this amendment were received during the public comment period and are summarized below with the DEPE's responses.

COMMENT: Comments were received from the HMUA regarding minor corrections which were needed in order to provide accurate and up-to-date information relevant to the HMUA service area and facility (i.e. dry sewer areas, HMUA permitted flow).

RESPONSE: The minor corrections were made to the WMP.

This amendment represents only one part of the permit process and other issues will be addressed prior to final permit issuance. Additional issues which were not reviewed in conjunction with this amendment but which may need to be addressed may include, but are not limited to, the following: antidegradation; effluent limitations; water quality analysis; exact locations and designs of future

treatment works (pump stations, interceptors, sewers, outfalls, wastewater treatment plant); and development in wetlands, flood prone areas, designated Wild and Scenic River areas, or other environmentally sensitive areas which are subject to regulation under federal or State statutes or rules.

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