Administrative Order No. 2012-19

WHEREAS, pursuant to Executive Order No. 106, signed October 31, 2012, Governor Chris Christie declared a state of water emergency for the entire State of New Jersey due to extensive flooding and destruction caused by Hurricane Sandy that damaged water supply and wastewater infrastructure, interrupted power generation and transmission capabilities, and threatened the availability of supplemental fuel supplies necessary to support environmental infrastructure systems; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Water Supply Management Act, N.J.S.A. 58:1A-1 et seq. and its implementing rules, N.J.A.C. 7:7-19, and by Executive Order 106, on November 1, 2012, I ordered mandatory statewide water use restrictions to alleviate the water emergency; and

WHEREAS, the coordinated water management measures exercised by water suppliers, citizens, businesses, institutions, municipalities, counties, and the State, including water conservation efforts and voluntary and mandatory water use restrictions, have reduced water demands and allowed for the preservation of available supplies; and

WHEREAS, by Executive Order No. 120, signed on December 19, 2012, Governor Chris Christie has terminated the state of water emergency for the entire State of New Jersey based upon substantially improved conditions and the preservation of adequate water supplies;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Martin, Commissioner, pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Water Supply Management Act, N.J.S.A. 58:1A-1 et seq. and its implementing rules, N.J.A.C. 7:7-19, and pursuant to Executive Order No. 120, do hereby rescind the mandatory statewide water use restrictions imposed under Administrative Order No. 2012-12.

Nothing in this Order shall be construed to supersede or modify any water use restrictions imposed by a municipality, county, or water supplier.

Administrative Order 2012-12 signed by me on November 1, 2012, and all previous Administrative Orders or portions thereof that are inconsistent with this Order, are hereby superseded and repealed.

This Order shall take effect immediately.

Dated: 12/20/2012

Bob Martin
Commissioner