A RESOLUTION to reauthorize the Toxics Advisory Committee.

WHEREAS, in accordance with Commission regulations and the Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan for the Delaware Estuary (2019 Revision), the Commission will continue to work with the states and EPA on coordinated approaches to the assessment and control of toxic substances in Delaware Basin waters; and

WHEREAS, the Commission recognizes the importance of engaging qualified representatives from industry, municipalities, academia, public health, environmental or watershed organizations, and state and federal government agencies to inform its policy decisions regarding the control and abatement of toxic contaminants in Basin waters; and

WHEREAS, the Commission's Toxics Advisory Committee, or "TAC," has been instrumental in developing and reviewing DRBC policies and technical procedures relating to water quality criteria, ambient sampling, total maximum daily loads (TMDLs) and wasteload allocations (WLAs) for toxic pollutants; and

WHEREAS, current matters that would benefit from the TAC's attention include: 1) updating DRBC water quality criteria for toxic pollutants; 2) development of uniform water quality criteria for toxic pollutants in Zone 1 of the Delaware River; 3) issues relating to contaminants of emerging concern, including ambient screening surveys and review and development of fish tissue data; and 4) chronic toxicity testing in ambient waters of the Estuary and its tributaries; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Delaware River Basin Commission:

- 1. <u>Term.</u> The Commission's Toxics Advisory Committee (TAC) is hereby reauthorized for a period of ten years. This authorization will expire on June 30, 2033 unless it is renewed or extended prior thereto.
- 2. <u>Composition.</u> TAC membership will consist of one individual from each of the following, unless otherwise noted:
  - State of Delaware
  - State of New Jersey
  - State of New York
  - Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
  - U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
  - Industry
  - Municipal Government
  - Environmental/Watershed Organizations (2 members)
  - Academia
  - Agriculture
  - U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

- Public Health Organization (NGO or government agency)
- 3. <u>Appointments.</u> The Executive Director will appoint each member and will seek input and coordinate with the Executive Director of the Partnership for the Delaware Estuary (PDE).
- 4. <u>Alternates.</u> Each member of the TAC may appoint an alternate(s) with power to vote in the member's absence.
- 5. <u>Agenda.</u> The Committee will develop its agenda with input from the DRBC and the Executive Director of PDE.
- 6. <u>Chair and Operating Procedures.</u> The TAC will select a chairperson and establish its own operating procedures.
- 7. Recommendations. The TAC will submit its recommendations to the Commission, with copies to the appropriate state and federal agency members and the Executive Director of PDE.
- 8. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Chair Pro Tem

Commission Secretary

ADOPTED: June 7, 2023