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Ms. Jennifer Fields
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Department of Environmental Protection
Water Management Program
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Dear M. Fields:

Subject: Limerick Generating Station NPDES Permit No. PA0051926

This letter is being sent to request a temporary approval to discharge effluent from the dewatering of dredge material to stormwater outfall 012 at Limerick Generating Station. Maintenance dredging will be performed in and around the Schuylkill River Intake Structures.

The sediments will be removed and placed in a low lying area adjacent to the pump house. Water from the dredge material will be discharged through a standpipe to outfall 012 at a discharge rate of approximately 200 gpm. To control the discharge of solids to the river, the standpipe will be covered with a 200 micron mesh canvas material. The estimated discharge volume over the length of the project is 0.5 million gallons.

Approximately 100 cubic yards of dredge material is expected to be removed from the wet wells. Once dewatered, the sediments will be analyzed for their use as clean fill on the property. The project is scheduled to begin July 31, 2000, and will operate for approximately five days. Therefore, your prompt attention to our request would be appreciated.

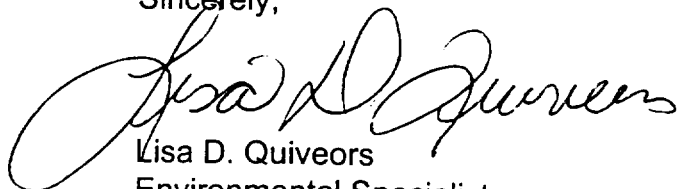
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Please note approval of this temporary discharge was previously granted by PaDEP in July 1993, August 1996, August 1997, July 1998 and December 1999.

A copy of this letter is being sent to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (USNRC), in accordance with the Limerick Generating Station, Units 1 and 2, Environmental Protection Plan, Section 3.2, which stipulates that the USNRC shall receive a copy of any proposed changes to the NPDES permit at the same time that the permitting agency is notified.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact me at (610)640-6445.

Sincerely,



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Attachment

cc: U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Document Control Desk
(Docket Nos. 50-352 and 50-353 & License Nos. NPF-39 and NPF-85)
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