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DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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Mr. John DeLashmit
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region VII
901 North Fifth Street
Kansas City, KS 66101

RE: Revised Total Maximum Daily Load for Shoal Creek (WBID 3230) to include Shoal (3231),
Pogue (3232) and Joyce (3233) Creeks

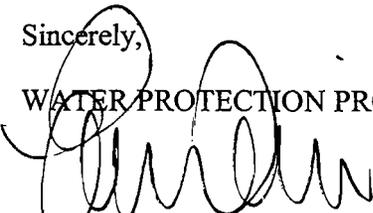
Dear Mr. DeLashmit:

Enclosed please find a copy of the revised Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) study for Shoal Creek near Monett in Barry County, Missouri. The TMDL was public noticed from August 10, 2007 through September 9, 2007. No public comments were received. The department submits this document as a final TMDL for review and approval by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) pursuant to Section 303(d)(2) of the federal Clean Water Act.

The original Shoal Creek (WBID 3230) TMDL was developed by the department's Water Protection Program to address the fecal coliform contamination of this waterbody, as identified on the Section 1998 303(d) list. EPA approved this TMDL on November 18, 2003. It has been revised to include specific fecal coliform loads for another segment of Shoal Creek (3231), Pogue Creek (3232) and Joyce Creek (3233), which are all within the Shoal Creek watershed and are being addressed under the original document's implementation plan. The impairment arises from excessive amounts of manure entering the stream from several sources including cattle in the stream, horse and cattle pastures, poultry litter washing off the land and faulty rural septic systems. A watershed group of local stakeholders has been organized and is implementing this TMDL. We appreciate EPA taking prompt action on this TMDL. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. John Hoke or me at (573) 751-1300 or at Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Water Protection Program, P.O. Box 176, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102.

Sincerely,

WATER PROTECTION PROGRAM



Edward Galbraith
Director

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Enclosure

c: Ms. Mary Bryan, Attorney General's Office
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