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Mr. John R. McCutcheon Training and Certification Program Manager Department of Conservation and Recreation Division of Stormwater Management 900 East Main Street, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor Richmond, Virginia 23219-3558

Dear Mr. McCutcheon:

Thank you for your letter of March 22 providing comments on VDOT's 2012 Erosion and Sediment Control (ESC) and Stormwater Management (SWM) Standards and Specifications submittal. After reviewing your comments, I provide the following responses to the items enumerated in your letter:

#### Items 1 and 2

As we have previously discussed, we are in the process of having the Annual ESC and SWM Standards and Specifications converted into an electronic format. This will not only make it easier for the submittal and review process but will also allow for the tracking of changes to any of the many components. We will address your Items 1 and 2 as the electronic format is developed. We hope to have the conversion completed by late summer of this year.

#### Items 3 and 4

IIM-LD-11 has been revised to reflect new titles of persons at VDOT and DCR that are responsible for their respective stormwater programs. A copy of the revised IIM will be provided to you.

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# Items 5, 6, 7, 8 & 9 (first two bullets)

IIM-LD-11 and Road and Bridge Standard Drawing EC-7 will be revised appropriately to reflect your comments. As these comments are minor in nature, they will be incorporated during the next major revision to the IIM and Standard Drawing but no later than the date of submission for the 2013 Annual ESC and SWM Standards and Specifications.

## Items 9 (last bullet) & 10

The VDOT Road and Bridge Supplemental Specification 303.03(f) and (h) require sediment traps and diversion dikes to be stabilized immediately after construction.

### <u>Item</u> 11

VDOT's Road and Bridge Standard Drawing EC-10 (Temporary Berm and Slope Drain) does contain an earthen berm that is intended to serve as a temporary fill diversion. However, we will compare the details of DCR's Temporary Fill Diversion and our Standard EC-10 drawing to determine if any clarity needs to be added to our existing drawing or if an additional drawing is warranted. If so, such will be accomplished at the next available opportunity but no later than the date of submission for the 2013 Annual ESC and SWM Standards and Specifications.

## <u>Items 12 & 13</u>

IIM-LD-195 is currently undergoing a major revision to incorporate changes related to the new VSMP Regulations (adopted 9/13/11) and the recent actions of the General Assembly regarding the VSMP Law. Your comments will be incorporated into this revision. We expect to have a draft of the revised IIM by July 1 and will provide a copy to you for review prior to finalization and publication.

### <u>Item 14</u>

The LD-445B form (VSMP Construction Permit Fee Form) will be revised to reflect the current fee schedule. This revision will be included with other changes to the LD-445 series of forms to bring them in line with current guidance. We expect to have a draft of the revised forms by July 1 and will provide a copy to you for review prior to finalization and publication.

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I hope my comments and VDOT's commitment to make the appropriate changes to the noted documents in a timely manner will be sufficient to allow you to provide conditional approval of our 2012 Annual Erosion and Sediment Control and Stormwater Management Standards and Specifications. I will be glad to provide additional discussion or clarification on any items noted herein should you so desire.

Sincerely,

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State Stormwater Program Administrator

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