

To: The Honorable Governor Matt Mead

From: John V. Corra, Director, Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality

Subject: Amendment of Water Quality Rules and Regulations - Chapter 5

Date: July 20, 2011

Priority: Normal – Deadline for response is August 4, 2011

Summary: The Department is proposing a significant amendment to current Chapter 5. There are three major areas of change: the establishment of clearly defined operator certification levels; the establishment of clearly defined facility owner responsibilities; and the establishment of clearly defined operator and facility owner violation guidelines. Specific information on the changes can be found in the Statement of Principal Reasons. A strike and underline version of the proposed rule is attached for review.

This proposed chapter was brought before the Water and Waste Advisory Board on June 24, 2011. The board made some wording changes to the draft rule and voted unanimously to advance the rule, with the suggested wording changes, to the Environmental Quality Council.

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Governor's Response Options (to be completed by Governor's Office):

_____ Agency may proceed.

_____ Delay Public Comment and Set Up Meeting with

Signature: Governor's Counsel

If no response has been received by July 28, 2011, the Agency will proceed with these rules.