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Via Fax 465-5274

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Re: Draft 1996 Section 305(b) Water Quality Assessment Report

Dear Mr. Decker:

The Kodiak Island Borough has reviewed the report referenced above. We have specifically reviewed the "Candidate 1996 303(d)(1)(A) and (B) List of Waters" which is included as Appendix IV of the draft report. We agree with that the one waterbody you have identified for our region belongs on this list. As you are aware, this waterbody was on the list in 1994, and should remain on the list for 1996.

We do have two additions to the "1996 Alaska surface waterbodies suspected of being affected by pollutants from point and nonpoint sources" list. The two water bodies that should be added are: Beaver Lake (impacted by urban runoff, road runoff, storm drainage, streambank/shoreline modification, and sewage discharge) and Island Lake (impacted by the same pollutant sources as Beaver Lake. These two lakes are part of the same watershed/waterway complex that includes Dark Lake and Horseshoe Lake.

For you information, the group Kodiak Clean Lakes has completed water quality sampling for seven lakes located in Kodiak urban area. These lakes are: Beaver Lake, Island Lake, Dark Lake, Horseshoe Lake, Lilly Lake, Potato Patch Lake and Mission Lake. If you would like more information about the type, frequency, and results of these tests, please contact Bud Cassidy, Kodiak Island Borough Resource Management Officer at 486-9302. In addition, the Kodiak Island Borough performs continuing water quality test on "Kodiak Landfill Creek". Information about these tests is available from Don Alexander, Kodiak Island Borough Environmental Engineer. We have one other comment, about the format of the "suspect list". We believe it would be helpful if you grouped the waterbodies together on the list by region. This would make it easier to assess potentially polluted waterbodies on a regional basis.

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Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the draft document. If you have questions about these comments, please feel free to call me at 486-9360.

Respectfully,

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c.c. Bud Cassidy, Resource Management Officer
Don Alexander, Environmental Engineer