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VIA eREGULATIONS SYSTEM

Senator Clark J. Chapin
Representative Brian Becker
Legislative Regulation Review Committee
State Capitol, Room 011
Hartford, CT 06106

Re: *Proposed Amendment of the Air Quality Regulations Concerning Municipal Waste Combustors (MWCs): PR2015-192*

Dear Senator Chapin and Representative Becker:

Pursuant to section 4-170 of the Connecticut General Statutes, I submit for your consideration and approval a proposal to amend one section of the air quality regulations concerning MWCs.

This proposal is one of DEEP's initiatives to reduce nitrogen oxides (NOx) emissions to satisfy a mandate of the federal Clean Air Act. As a group, the MWCs emit more NOx than any other single stationary source category, including electric generating units. The NOx emissions reductions expected from this proposal will improve Connecticut's air quality and help our state attain and maintain the national ambient air quality standard for ozone. The statement of purpose for the proposal explains the revisions in more detail.

If there are any general questions regarding this submission, please contact Robert LaFrance, DEEP's Legislative Liaison, at 860-424-3401 (office) or 860-622-1797 (cell). If you have any substantive or rule drafting questions, please contact Paula Gomez of the Bureau of Air Management at 860-424-3088. Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert J. Klee".

Robert J. Klee
Commissioner

cc: Robert LaFrance, DEEP