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Subject: Quarterly Report – Period Ending: December 31, 2009
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Re: Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans
Consent Decree – Civil Action No. 93-3212

Gentlemen:

Pursuant to Paragraph 61 of the Consent Decree, the Sewerage and Water Board (S&WB) hereby submits the Quarterly Report for the period ending December 31, 2009.

This report contains a summary of compliance with and activities related to:

61.a
- The Collection System Evaluation Studies
- Collection System Evaluation Reports
- Implementation of Remedial Measures Action Plans
- The Supplemental Environmental Project
61.b
- Retained Cross Connections

61.c
- O&M Plan for the Fluidized Bed Incinerator (Status)

These activities are described in Sections VIII, XI, XV, and XXI of the Decree. For ready reference, the Executive Summary contains a synopsis of the Quarterly Report, including Consent Decree accomplishments that occurred during the quarter. Detailed activities described according to Consent Decree section and paragraph order, are summarized in Sections I through Section IV of the report. The appendix contains additional information and backup material for each section. Appendix E contains a listing of all Consent Decree accomplishments since the inception of the decree.

I certify that the information contained in or accompanying this document is true, accurate, and complete. As to those identified portions of this document for which I cannot personally verify their truth and accuracy, I certify as the official having supervisory responsibility for the persons who, acting under my direct instructions, made the verification, that this is true, accurate, and complete.

Sincerely,

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