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Mr. David Gardiner
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Dear Mr. Gardiner:

I very much appreciated meeting with you and other EPA staff members on March 25, 1998 to discuss the City of Portland's Project XL Communities proposal for complying with the Lead and Copper Rule. Our discussion was very useful to me in further considering the opportunities and challenges associated with developing a Final Project Agreement for our program.

I am pleased to say, we have reached a decision to proceed. So, on behalf of the City of Portland Bureau of Water Works, I formally accept your offer to negotiate a Final Project Agreement.

The interest and support of several EPA staff members as we have worked together to develop and review this proposal over the last year played a significant role in our decision to proceed. I would particularly like to recognize Chuck Findley, Phil Millam, Cynthia Dougherty, Barbara McAllister, Kristina Heinemann, John Wilson, and Bill Glasser for their encouragement and support. I know that many other people at EPA participated in the review, evaluation, and development of your recommendation to proceed, and I very much appreciate their efforts as well.

I have already been in contact with Bill Glasser at Region 10 to begin organizing our interactions, and I look forward to the opportunity to work with you and your staff in the development of formal recognition by EPA of our ongoing efforts.

Sincerely,

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