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Ref: 8WP-SUI

## <u>CERTIFIED MAIL</u> <u>RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED</u>

Eric Hecox Meridian Metropolitan District 6380 South Fiddlers Green Circle Suite 400 Englewood, Colorado 80111

> Re: Draft Underground Injection Control Permit CO52393-0000 for Class V Area Permit for Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR), Douglas County, Colorado

Dear Mr. Hecox:

Please find enclosed a copy of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Draft Underground Injection Control (UIC) Permit CO52393-0000 for an Area Class V ASR Permit, located in Douglas County, Colorado. This Permit would authorize injection into two of Meridian's existing wells, the DE-1R completed into the Denver Aquifer, and the A-4 completed into the Arapahoe Aquifer. Also enclosed are copies of the Statement of Basis for the proposed action and the Public Notice given on the EPA's website at www.epa.gov/uic/underground-injection-control-epa-region-8-co-mt-nd-sd-ut-and-wy.

The EPA regulations and procedures for issuing UIC Permit decisions are found in Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations Part 124 (40 CFR part 124). These regulations and procedures require a public notice and the opportunity for the public to comment on the proposed UIC Permit decision. An announcement of the public notice and opportunity to comment was published in the *Denver Post* on July 13, 2018.

A final decision will not be made until after: 1) we have held a public hearing and information session on August 13, 2018, in our Regional office; and 2) the comment period closes on August 20, 2018. All relevant comments will be taken into consideration. If any comments are received that request a change to the draft permit, the effective date of the final decision will be 30 days, after service of notice of the decision as required by 40 CFR §124.15(b). If you have any questions or comments about the proposed permit, please contact Craig Boomgaard of my staff at the letterhead address citing "Mail Code 8WP-SUI." You may also contact Mr. Boomgaard by email at boomgaard.craig@epa.gov or by telephone at (303) 312-6794.

Sincerely

/Darcy O'Connor/ Darcy O'Connor Assistant Region Administrator Office of Water Protection

Enclosures (3)

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