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June 4, 2001

Ms. Linda J. Fisher
Deputy Administrator
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW
Ariel Rios Building (1102A)
Washington, DC 20460

Dear Ms. Fisher:

On behalf of the Association of Metropolitan Sewerage Agencies (AMSA), I would like to congratulate you on your confirmation to become the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Deputy Administrator. AMSA represents the interests of over 250 of the country's publicly-owned wastewater treatment agencies, which collectively serve the majority of the sewered population in the United States. Our members treat and reclaim more than 18 billion gallons of wastewater each day. AMSA member agencies play a major role in their local communities, often leading watershed management efforts, promoting industrial/household pollution prevention and water conservation, and developing urban stormwater management programs.

Since its conception over 30 years ago, AMSA has worked closely with the EPA in the development of environmental regulatory programs. AMSA and EPA have carried out numerous joint projects to improve environmental programs, including workshops, coalitions and publications. We plan to continue to build on our cooperative efforts with EPA in the future.

To better acquaint you with AMSA's issues and priorities, enclosed is a summary of AMSA's priority issues for the new EPA administration. We look forward to having an opportunity to discuss these issues with you.

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If you have any questions or would like additional information on AMSA, please contact me at 202/833-4653. Again, congratulations and best wishes for a successful tenure.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "K Kirk". The "K" is large and stylized, followed by "Kirk" in a cursive script.

Ken Kirk

Executive Director