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March 24, 2017

Administrative Law Judge James R. Mortenson
Office of Administrative Hearings
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St. Paul, MN 55164-0620

RE: Rebuttal Response for Proposed Amendments to Minnesota Rules, Chapters 7050 and 7052, relating to Tiered Aquatic Life Uses (TALU) and Modification of Class 2 Beneficial Use Designations; OAH Docket No. 5-9003-33998; Revisor's No. 4237

Dear Judge Mortenson:

Please find attached the Rebuttal Response (Response) from the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) for the proposed amendments referenced above. This Response, prepared for the five working-day rebuttal comment period that ends on March 24, 2017, addresses the comments submitted during the post-hearing comment period that ended on March 17, 2017. Specifically, it responds to new information and comments submitted by interested parties during the post-hearing comment period that the MPCA did not already address in its March 17, 2017, Post-Hearing Response.

If you have questions regarding the enclosed Response or the content of the proposed rule amendments, please contact Will Bouchard at 651-757-2333 or will.bouchard@state.mn.us. If you have questions regarding the administrative procedures followed for this rulemaking, please contact Kevin Molloy at 651-757-2577 or kevin.molloy@state.mn.us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Shannon M. Lotthammer".

Shannon M. Lotthammer
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Attachment