March 17, 2014

Erik Larson  
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RE:  Issuance of Coverage under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System/State Disposal System (NPDES/SDS) General Permit MNR040000 for Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems for University of Minnesota, Duluth MS4 MS4

Dear Mr. Larson:

In accordance with Minn. R. 7001.0140, the Commissioner of the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) has made a final determination to issue coverage under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System/State Disposal System (NPDES/SDS) General Permit MNR040000 for Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4 General Permit) to the University of Minnesota, Duluth MS4, effective March 17, 2014. Please find enclosed a copy of the above referenced MS4 General Permit.

The MPCA’s final decision to issue permit coverage is based on the following:

- MPCA staff has reviewed your MS4 General Permit application and Stormwater Pollution Prevention Program (SWPPP) Document.
- Public notice and opportunity for comment on your MS4 General Permit application and SWPPP Document has been provided, and no comments were received.

As you know, it is the responsibility of the MS4 owner and/or operator to comply with the requirements of the MS4 General Permit and your SWPPP Document. This issuance of coverage does not preclude the MPCA from following up with an inspection or audit to verify compliance with the MS4 General Permit and SWPPP Document. Also, be aware that as a condition of recordkeeping, Part IV.C.3. of the MS4 General Permit requires that the permittee retain their SWPPP Document and all records pertinent to it for at least three (3) years beyond the term of the MS4 General Permit.

In addition, for an MS4 that was covered under the previous MS4 General Permit (issuance date June 1, 2006), coverage under that permit is terminated on the coverage date as specified above. An MS4 covered under the new MS4 General Permit is required to report on activities that were required or committed to under the previous permit.

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Finally, the MPCA thanks you for your cooperation in the permitting process. Please retain this letter as documentation of your MS4 General Permit coverage under the NPDES/SDS Permit MNR040000.

Please contact MS4 team member Rachel Stangl at 651-757-2879 with any questions.

Sincerely,

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