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**April 19, 2013**

**Re: Availability of rules for comment  
 OAC Chapter 3745-1, Water Quality Standards**

Dear Interested Parties:

The Division of Surface Water (DSW) is providing interested parties a second opportunity to review and comment on a set of focused and limited draft amendments to the following rules. The content of this package has been scaled back from the rule package the Agency proposed in December 2011.

<b>Rule #</b>	<b>Rule Title</b>	<b>Action</b>
3745-1-01	Purpose and applicability	Rescind
3745-1-01	Purpose and applicability	New
3745-1-02	Definitions	Amend
3745-1-03	Analytical methods and availability of documents	Amend
3745-1-04	Criteria applicable to all waters	Amend
3745-1-05	Antidegradation	Amend
3745-1-07	Water use designations and statewide criteria	Rescind
3745-1-07	Beneficial use designations	New
3745-1-31	Lake Erie standards	Amend
3745-1-32	Ohio river standards	Rescind
3745-1-32	Ohio river standards	New
3745-1-33	Water quality criteria for the lake Erie drainage basin	Rescind
3745-1-34	Water quality criteria for the Ohio river drainage basin	Rescind
3745-1-36	Methodologies for development of aquatic life criteria and values	Amend
3745-1-37	Methodology for deriving bioaccumulation factors	Amend
3745-1-38	Methodologies for development of human health criteria and values	Amend
3745-1-39	Methodology for the development of wildlife criteria for the lake Erie drainage basin	Amend
3745-1-40	Water quality criteria for water supply use designations	New
3745-1-41	Water quality criteria for recreation use designations	New
3745-1-42	Water quality criteria for the base aquatic life use designation	New
3745-1-43	Water quality criteria for the tiered aquatic life use designations	New

In addition to the draft rule amendments, Ohio EPA is also seeking comments and feedback on the draft Common Sense Initiative (CSI) Business Impact Analysis Form, which is being released with these rules for review.

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Except for Rules 3745-1-01, 3745-1-02, 3745-1-03, 3745-1-05, 3745-1-07, 3745-1-32, 3745-1-40, 3745-1-41 and 3745-1-43, there have been no other revisions to the version of the rules proposed on December 28, 2011. Please see the related fact sheet for more information on the specific revisions. Rule 3745-1-35 has been removed from the rulemaking to proceed through the rule review process as a stand-alone package.

These draft rules, the CSI Form, and supporting documentation are available electronically for review at: <http://epa.ohio.gov/dsw/dswrules.aspx>. We request that you provide us with any comments you may have on the changes that have been recommended by **May 20, 2013**.

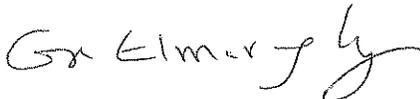
Please submit your comments or suggestions in one of the following manners.

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Sincerely,



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