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OHIO EPA DIRECTOR SUPPORTS MAYOR COLLINS WATER CONSERVATION REQUEST

COLUMBUS—Today Ohio EPA Director Craig W. Butler voiced his support for Toledo Mayor D. Michael Collins' call for temporary water conservation measures while the city performs maintenance on its water system. Butler issued the following statement:

“I fully support Mayor Collins' decision to ask area residents to reduce their water consumption as the city performs maintenance activities at the water plant. Frankly, the conservation steps the city is asking people to take are what we urge all Ohioans to take every day. Not only will they ease demand on the system right now, but they'll conserve a precious resource and save money. I applaud the willingness of Toledo area residents to come together during the past few days to work through these water issues and we'll continue to provide the support and assistance that Toledo needs.”

For more information on water conservation tips go to www.epa.ohio.gov/watertips

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The Ohio Environmental Protection Agency was created in 1972 to consolidate efforts to protect and improve air quality, water quality and waste management in Ohio. Since then, air pollutants dropped by as much as 90 percent; large rivers meeting standards improved from 21 percent to 89 percent; and hundreds of polluting, open dumps were replaced with engineered landfills and an increased emphasis on waste reduction and recycling.