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US Army Corps of Engineers Jonathan Sobiech 180 Fifth St East suite 700 St Paul, MN 55101

## Section 401 Water Quality Certification for FMM Diversion Inlet Structure

Dear Mr. Sobiech:

Pursuant to §401 of the Clean Water Act the North Dakota Department of Health has reviewed the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers construction specification, design documentation, plans, and wetland mitigation options of the Fargo Moorhead Metropolitan Diversion Inlet Structure for consistency in supporting the State's Standards of Quality for Waters of the State (standards). Based on this evaluation, the department is reasonably assured that no violations of the standards will occur and provides water quality certification

The department reserves the right to amend this certification if it is determined that the impacts to water quality were underestimated, conditions change, or for any reason it is no longer reasonable to assume that the project is complying with the standards or other appropriate requirements of State law. Should you have any questions, I may be reached at 701.328.5268.

Sincerely

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