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President Joseph R. Biden, Jr 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20500

Subject: Working Together to Support Water Quality

Dear President Biden:

Congratulations on your election as the President of the United States. You assume the leadership position for our Country during interesting times with many competing priorities. The National Municipal Stormwater Alliance (NMSA), a 501c(3) corporation, was formed to assist communities across the U.S. to meet their obligations under the Clean Water Act. This is an important responsibility and one that is a legacy for future generations.

We look forward to assisting you in helping to promote clean water for the nation. We are pleased that you recognize the problems such as climate change, aging infrastructure, and pollution of surface waters. We pledge to work with you to increase the public stewardship of the nation's waters and implement the most effective water programs possible.

NMSA has recently assembled a 'ready to go' project list of public infrastructure needs to support water quality and provided this information to Congress in anticipation of an infrastructure bill in 2021. We have also supported the Water Environment Federation and American Society of Civil Engineers in adding a stormwater category to the ASCE National Infrastructure Report Card™. The addition of this category to the Report Card increases public awareness of this portion of the nation's infrastructure and will facilitate our and your job in increasing funding for the water sector.

More information about our organization is available at our website: <u>nationalstormateralliance.org</u>. We stand ready to assist you in any way to promote the value of water and reduce surface water pollution in the nation's waters. We have developed a strong partnership with EPA and will continue to support their policies for effective water pollution control.

Sincerely,

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