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## **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Angie Garcia, US Environmental Protection Agency Region III

**FROM:** Tony Allred, Maryland Department of the Environment – Science Services Administration **RE:** Review of the Approval Letter and Decision Rationale for the Lake Roland PCB Total

Maximum Daily Load.

**DATE:** July 8, 2014.

The Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) has reviewed the Approval Letter and Decision Rationale for the following Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL):

"Total Maximum Daily Load of Polychlorinated Biphenyls in Lake Roland of Jones Falls Watershed in Baltimore County and Baltimore City, Maryland"

As a result of this review, the following changes are requested:

On page 10 of the Decision Rationale, under the "Total Allowable Load" section, the following sentence in paragraph 3 is incorrect: "Based on the calculation of 95% CI analysis conducted 1,534 days is required to meet the water column TMDL endpoint after a 91.5% reduction."

It should simply state that "After a 91.5% reduction, 1,534 days is required to meet the water column TMDL endpoint." This result is not based on the 95% CI analysis. It is only based on running the water quality model with a 91.5% reduction.

No other changes are requested.

Thanks for your assistance.