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Dear Dr. Stern:

I am writing in response to your letter dated September 16, 1994, regarding regulation of the disposal of domestic sewage by spray irrigation systems. The Department is in agreement that this is an activity which can be governed by the regulations of the Department of Health without conflicting with the authority of the Department of Environmental Quality. Therefore, I support your proposal to incorporate this method of sewage disposal into the Health Department's Sewage Handling and Disposal Regulations and pledge the cooperation of my staff in the development of appropriate regulatory language to address this activity.

I have asked Mr. Larry Lawson and his staff to be available to assist your staff in the planning and development of the program. If I can be of further assistance, please let me know. Larry Lawson can be reached at 527-5150.

Singerely

Peter W. Schmidt

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Mr. James C. Adams Mr. Larry Lawson