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To: Technical Review Committee members

From: Scott A. Uhlich, Secretary

Re: Minutes of the 17th DHR Technical Review Committee

The 17th technical review committee meeting was held at the DHR Training Center on Riverside Drive, Macon, Georgia on November 21, 2003. Lawton Davis, M.D., Chairman, called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM.

Members in Attendance: Daryl Rowe, Scott Uhlich, Stan Coppage, William Durham, George McClure, Phillip Freshley, Dewayne Tanner, Ernie Earn, Larry Chapman, Bill Fortune, P.E. and Lawton Davis, M.D.

Guests in Attendance: Jim Free, Dick Bachelder, Shawn Luton, Truet Kastner, Bettie Sleeth, Carl Thompson, Al Schnitkey, Ben Berteau, Charles Schaefer, Craig Collins, Roy Moore, Dennis Koerner.

Order of Business:

1. **Call to order by Chairman.**
2. **Review of minutes from the 16th Technical Review Committee meeting.**
Motion to approve minutes made by Dewayne Tanner. Minutes approved.
3. **New Business:**
 - A. Addition of a minimum system length requirement to the adopted Standards for On site Sewage Management Systems. Carl Thompson representing Infiltrator Systems Inc. presented a proposal to add the following language:
"7. Additionally, any newly installed non-gravel system must measure at least 75% of the length of a conventional 36 inch wide gravel system." In addition, Infiltrator Systems Inc will voluntarily change their manufacturer's recommendation and sign a legal covenant with the Department of Human Resources to waive it's right to install currently approved product according to the "prior approved status" as provided in the current law.
 - B. Addition of a safety factor to the adopted Standards for On Site Sewage Management Systems. Al Schnitkey presented an argument against the proposed minimum system length. Discussed adding a safety factor instead

of a minimum system length. Discussed some issues related to the Administrative Procedures Act and legislative revision to Act 280.

The members discussed both proposals. Industry representatives in attendance provided input. Dick Bachelder, Shawn Luton and Charles Shaeffer expressed concerns. A motion was made by Phil Freshley to table the discussion.

Seconded by George McClure. Motion did not pass.

Dewayne Tanner made a motion to add the following language to the adopted standards “any newly installed non-gravel system must measure at least 75% of the length of a conventional 36 inch wide gravel system” subject to Infiltrator Systems Inc. voluntarily changing their manufacturer’s recommendation to the 25% reduction cap prior to application of the standards. Seconded by Bill Fortune. Motion passed. Opposed George McClure, Ernie Earn and Larry Chapman.

4. **Adjourn:** Motion was made to adjourn. Motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 11:45 AM.