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Dear Mr. Murdoch:

I would like to thank you for your comments on the Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Report for the Rivanna River and tributaries. DEQ appreciates your organization's commitment to protecting and restoring the Rivanna River. DEQ has responded to your comments, as well as comments received from other stakeholders, in the enclosed Response to Comments Document. In short, DEQ will consider your recommendation for high prioritization of the Rivanna when developing the next prioritization schedule for TMDL Implementation Plan development and implementation funding.

Thank you again for your continued commitment to the TMDL process and conservation efforts in the Rivanna River basin. Please don't hesitate to call me at (540) 574-7848 if you have any other questions.

Sincerely,

Robert Brent, Ph. D.

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Regional TMDL Coordinator