

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Mr. H. Lee Wagner Environmental Specialist, NPDES Section Iowa Department of Natural Resources 502 E. 9th Street Des Moines, IA 50319

Dear Mr. Wagner:

Per your request of February 28, 2012, I am pleased to grant you approval to use *Timberline Method Ammonia-001* for measurement of ammonia in wastewater. The basis of our approval is the EPA Office of Science and Technology letter dated July 6, 2011 (enclosed).

This approval shall apply to ammonia tests at all Iowa NPDES permitted facilities (currently over 1500) listed at:

 $\underline{www.iowadnr.gov/InsideDNR/RegulatoryWater/NPDESWastewaterPermitting/CurrentNPDESPermits.a}\underline{spx}.$ 

If you have any questions, please contact our Alternate Test Procedure Coordinator, Larry Marchin, at 913-551-5170.

Sincerely.

Ronald F. Hammerschmidt, Ph.D.

Director

**Environmental Services Division** 

**Enclosure** 

ce: Larry Marchin, ENSV/CARB/ASRS

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**SUBJECT:** Review of Timberline Method Ammonia-001, Determination of Inorganic Ammonia by Continuous Flow Gas Diffusion and Conductivity Cell Analysis. (ATP Case No. N08-0004)

DATE:

July 6, 2011

I have reviewed Timberline Method Ammonia-001 (ATP Case No. N08-0004), Determination of Inorganic Ammonia by Continuous Flow Gas Diffusion and Conductivity Cell Analysis, and the supporting validation data in ATP Case No. N08-0004. I determined that this method meets all requirements for measurement of ammonia in wastewater. That is, the performance of this method is substantially similar to methods listed at 40 CFR Part 136 for measurement of ammonia.

I will recommend that this method be included in future regulatory actions in which EPA periodically adds to the list of approved methods at 40 CFR Part 136. However, this ATP review does not replace this notice and comment rulemaking process. In the interim a user may, on a facility-by-facility basis, seek approval from their regional authority for use of this method in measuring ammonia in Clean Water Act (CWA) programs.

If I can be of any additional assistance on this matter or others, please contact me at walker.lemuel@epa.gov.

Sincerely.

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