## AMENDMENT TO SEO APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFICATION COMMENT AND RESPONSE DOCUMENT

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## COMMENTS AND RESPONSES

Comment:

The State Board for Certification of Sewage Enforcement Officers (Board) supports the subject proposed amendment to Chapter 72 of the Department's regulations.

At their recent meeting, the Board unanimously voted to accept the proposed amendment which eliminates the current regulatory requirement that training documentation must be submitted along with certification exam applications 40 days in advance of exam. The Board also voted to suggest that the Department consider further amending Section 72.54(a) to change the requirement that exam applications must be submitted to the Board 40 days before scheduled examination. The Board suggests that this time period could be reduced to afford exam candidates greater flexibility in the submittal of applications. The Board suggests that a 30-day exam application period would be reasonable and would still give the Board sufficient time to receive and evaluate applications for examination.

Response:

The Environmental Quality Board (EQB) appreciates the continued support of the Board regarding this amendment to Chapter 72. The EQB has also considered the additional suggestion from the Board that Section 72.54(a) be further amended to reduce the examination application submission period from 40 days to 30 days before scheduled examination. Given the Board's assertion that a 30-day application period would still provide the Board sufficient time to receive and evaluate applications, the EQB agrees with the Board's wish to provide greater flexibility to exam candidates. Section 72.54(a) will be further amended as per the Board's suggestion.