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Todd Tillinger
Chief, Regulatory Division
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Nashville District
3701 Bell Road
Nashville, TN 37214-2660

Re: §401 Water Quality Certification
Regional General Permit (RGP) 20-02
Invasive aquatic species management

Dear Mr. Tillinger:

The Kentucky Division of Water has reviewed the Provisional Determination of Eligibility for Regional General Permit (RGP) 20-02 issued by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Nashville District for the purposes of providing State certification in accordance with Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (CWA). This regional general permit authorizes installation of structures and discharge into waters of the Commonwealth of Kentucky associated with management of exotic invasive aquatic species within the Nashville District boundaries.

Pursuant to Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (CWA), the Commonwealth of Kentucky certifies it has reasonable assurances that applicable water quality standards under Kentucky Administrative Regulations Title 401, Chapter 10, established pursuant to Sections 301, 302, 303, 304, 306, and 307 of the CWA, will not be violated by the above referenced regional general permits. The Kentucky Division of Water hereby **certifies as written** the Regional General Permit (RGP) 20-02 for management of exotic invasive aquatic species. Please contact the Water Quality Certification Section with any questions by calling (502) 564-3410 or by emailing 401WQC@ky.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Elizabeth M Harrod".

Elizabeth M Harrod, Supervisor
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