



STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA  
M. MICHAEL ROUNDS, GOVERNOR

March 31, 2009

Carol Rushin, Acting Regional Administrator  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency - Region 8  
1595 Wynkoop Street  
Denver, CO 80202-1129

Re: Governor's certification of ARRA conditions for 604(b) Program grants

Dear Ms. Rushin,

The recently passed American Recovery and Renewal Act of 2009 (ARRA) provides the state of South Dakota with opportunities to expand or enhance activities that fall within those programs funded by ARRA. One program receiving funding through ARRA is administered by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and is commonly referred to as the Section 604(b) Program. Grants from the Section 604(b) Program are used by the state for funding water quality projects affected by nonpoint source pollution.

Two conditions of receiving ARRA funds for Section 604(b) Program are that the governor of the state certifies that: (1) the state will request and use the funds provided by this Act; and (2) the funds will be used to create jobs and promote economic growth.

As the governor of the state of South Dakota, I hereby certify the state will apply for and use the Section 604(b) Program funds provided by ARRA, and these funds will be used, in part, to create jobs and promote economic growth in the state.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. Michael Rounds".

M. Michael Rounds

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