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RE: ATP Case No. D11-0005

Dear Dr. Gallant:

I am writing in response to your email of July 18, 2014, in which you requested clarification about EPA's recent approval action for the TECTA EC/TC™ medium and instrument.

The docket for the June 19, 2014 "expedited method approval" *Federal Register* notice (79 FR 35081; Docket ID# EPA-HQ-OW-2014-0408) contains the full version of the approved methods. The method in the docket for "TECTA™ EC/TC medium and the TECTA™ Instrument: a Presence/Absence Method for the Simultaneous Detection of Total Coliforms and Escherichia coli (E. coli) in Drinking Water" Version 1.0, is dated May 22, 2014.

Unfortunately, both the References section of the notice (Veolia, 2014a) and Footnote 33 to the method table parenthetically identify the method date as April 2014. The purpose of this letter is to clarify that the May 22, 2014 method in the docket is, in fact, the approved method notwithstanding the two references to April 2014. We expect to address this oversight in a future *Federal Register* action. In the meantime, the May 22, 2014 version of the method may be used for compliance monitoring of total coliforms and E. coli in drinking water.

We appreciate your interest in the development of drinking water monitoring methods. If you have any questions regarding our clarification of this matter, please contact me by email at [sinclair.james@epa.gov](mailto:sinclair.james@epa.gov) or by telephone at (513) 569-7970.

Sincerely,

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