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January 17, 2019 VIA e-mail

David Barfield, Chief Engineer Division of Water Resources Kansas Department of Agriculture 1320 Research Park Drive Manhattan, KS 66502

RE: GMD3 draft revised management program

Dear David,

Yesterday, the governing body of GMD3 acted to adopt the attached draft revision of the management program to be delivered to you for study, review and approval per K.S.A. 82a-1029. We believe you should find it compatible with the basic laws and policies of the state. If possible, an approval for that purpose is requested by our annual meeting on March 13, 2019 in Cimarron, Kansas.

As you know, this has been a significant multi-year process to develop the desired concepts and form of the document for our members and applicable to our area of the state, and we are very grateful for the tremendous help you and your staff have provided in getting our program document to this point. We ask that if there are any statements found that you believe conflict with state law and policy, please provide the specific citation and an explanation of how our draft language may create a conflict. Otherwise, please approve to allow us to hold one or more hearings per the GMD Act.

We realize the time frame for final review may be short. But the efforts to communicate to this point have be significant. Please get with Mark on any questions or concerns you may have in your review and we will respond accordingly to accomplish our management program revision. As always, thanks to you and your staff for the help and services you provide Kansas and our members.

Sincerely,

Kirk Heger, President For the Board

Attached: MP 01/16/19 draft to Chief Engineer