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March 18, 1974

Mr. James E. Patterson Deputy Director of Public Works City of Grand Junction P. O. Box 968 Grand Junction, Colorado 81501

Re: Grants for sewage treatment works

Dear Mr. Patterson:

Reference your letter of March 14, 1974. As regards state grants, we do not know what the state legislature will appropriate for the FY-75 program starting July 1, 1974. The present law authorizes us to make 25 percent state grants for treatment works.

We have \$30.9 million of EPA funds for FY-75. We are in the process of preparing a list of projects for the Commission to hold a public hearing the first part of May. If you have an engineer retained and plan to be able to apply for FY-75 EPA funds, you should immediately furnish us the following:

- 1. Name of consulting engineer.
- 2. Date preliminary engineering study will be completed.
- 3. Date you would have final plans and specifications prepared.
- Brief description of the work to be done.
- 5. Estimated total costs for engineering and construction.

EPA now requires a lot of new information in the engineering study. A complete study must be made of the infiltration/inflow problems in the existing sewage collection system. Also, a very detailed environmental impact study is required. The feasibility study (201 plan) must be completed prior to EPA's approval for starting design. Enclosed is a copy of the EPA's regulations concerning engineering reports.

Please call us for further information on the subject of state and federal funds."

Very truly yours,

FOR DIRECTOR, WATER QUALITY CONTROL DIVISION

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