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INTERIM 2011 - 2012 REPORT

The Joint Legislative Oversight Commission on State Water Resources was formed pursuant to §22-26-5 and met during 2011 - 2012 Interim period.

During the June Interim meeting, staff attorneys explained the duties of the Commission, the Water Resources Protection Act, the Department of Environmental Protection's water survey and Legislative findings contained in §22-26-1.

In July, the Commission met jointly with the Select Committee on Marcellus Shale. During that meeting, members heard testimony from Ron Bane, Mayor of Morgantown, and City Councilman, Bill Byrne on the recent ordinance on Marcellus drilling. Other testimony was given which included aspects of drilling technology, and environmental and economic impacts.

During the September Interim meeting, John Wirts, Assistant Director of the Office of Water and Waste Management with the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection, gave a report entitled, *Dunkard Creed Watershed - Water Quality/Golden Algae Update*, dated September 9, 2011.

In November, Brian Carr, Geologist-Program Manager of the Office of Water and Waste Management with the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection, gave the Department's annual report to the Commission with the presentation, *Protection and Management Act Annual Report*.

Respectfully submitted,



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