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Subject: Materials for next week's meeting
Attachments: IMDmethylmercuryCriterion.pdf; VarianceProcessHgMDV_AC4.pdf

Advisory Committee members:

Attached are materials to support next week's discussion. This includes:

- DEQ's Guidance on Implementing the Methyl-mercury Criterion
- A working draft description of how DEQ envisions the variance coverage process working, including the application process, HAC evaluation and re-evaluation procedures, and an overview of variance requirements.

A couple of notes:

- The working draft is an excerpt of what will ultimately be DEQ's supporting documentation for the variance. This document will be shared during the public comment period and submitted to the Environmental Quality Commission and EPA for approval. What we are sharing with the committee does reference other portions of the document that are not included. That information, such as treatment capability for mercury removal, have already been shared with the committee at other meetings. I'll have that information available at the meeting if it's needed for context.
- You'll notice that the document does not include information about how DEQ will calculate effluent limits based on the "level currently achievable." DEQ is still in the process of discussing this procedure with EPA staff. We will share it with the committee as soon as we are able to.
- The Methyl-mercury IMD will be cogent to our discussions regarding mercury minimization plans, so I'll ask you to focus your review that portion of the IMD.

Please let me know if you have any questions. If not, see you next Thursday.

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