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November 18, 2002

Mr. Martin D. Gabbard, Manager
Municipality of West Milton
701 South Miami Street
West Milton, Ohio 45383-1399

Dear Mr. Gabbard:

Scenic Rivers staff has completed a review of the proposed Troy to West Milton Waterline connector project. This project will require a crossing of the Stillwater Scenic River just south of the S.R. 55 Bridge in Union Township, Miami County, Ohio.

I herein grant approval, in accordance with O.R.C. Section 1517.16, for work to commence on this project provided that the following conditions are met:

1. The "Stillwater River Crossing Specifications" included on the Plan and Profile sheet submitted by Choice One Engineering on August 20, 2002 shall be incorporated into the final plan set and strictly adhered to throughout the duration of the river crossing. The information shall also be made available to all construction personnel and posted on site throughout the duration of the project.
2. Jerry Lee Ballard, Southwest Ohio Assistant Regional Scenic River Manager, shall be invited to the pre-construction meeting with the contractor present. Please provide Mr. Ballard with a minimum of two weeks advanced notice of the meeting to allow for potential conflicts in his schedule. Mr. Ballard shall also be notified of the start date of the Stillwater River crossing phase of this project a minimum of one week prior to the commencement of work.
3. The Municipality of West Milton will fully comply with the commitments described in Sections I and II of the attached Municipality of West Milton Resolution CM-02-26, dated November 12, 2002.

I have been informed by my staff of West Milton's willingness to incorporate our concerns into the planning for this project. Your efforts to promote the natural scenic character of the Stillwater River are very much appreciated. If you have any further questions, comments or concerns, please contact Jerry Lee Ballard at (513) 934-0751 or jballard@go-concepts.com.

Sincerely,

Stuart Lewis, Chief

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CC: Ms. Pat Rucker, US Army Corps of Engineers, Louisville District
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