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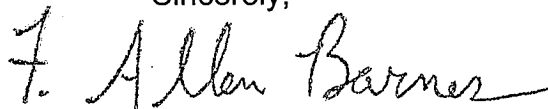
Dear Chairman Lanier,

Thank you for submitting the Altamaha's regional water plan. This plan is consistent with the rules for regional water planning and the guidance adopted pursuant to those rules. In accordance with the Memorandum of Agreement between the Altamaha regional water planning council, the Department of Community Affairs and the Environmental Protection Division (EPD), EPD has adopted this plan as the Water Development and Conservation Plan for the Altamaha Regional Council.

EPD will use this plan to guide future water permitting decisions. The attached FAQ provides additional information regarding the adoption of the regional water plans.

With this set of regional water plans, Georgia has taken important and meaningful strides toward the continued sustainable management of our State's precious water resources. The regional water plans have established a solid foundation to help meet Georgia's current and future water challenges. Thank you again for your hard work and leadership on this historic undertaking.

Sincerely,



F. Allen Barnes
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Cc: Vice Chairman Ed Jeffords