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Mr. Seth P. Brown, P.E.
Stormwater Program and Policy Director
Water Environment Federation
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Dear Mr. Brown:

It is our understanding that WEF is determining the feasibility of creating a national protocol for the testing and evaluation of Manufactured Treatment Devices. The state of Washington currently operates a similar program called the Technology Assessment Protocol – Ecology (TAPE).

We support the idea of a national program that provides a level of detail comparable to our program and addresses our concerns. We look forward to working with WEF as you move forward on this project.

One of my staff members, Douglas Howie (douglas.howie@ecy.wa.gov, or (360) 407-6444) has been engaged in this process. Please do not hesitate to contact him for review support and other assistance as you take the next steps regarding the STEPP initiative.

Sincerely,

Bill Moore, P.E., Manager
Program Development Services Section
Water Quality Program

cc: Douglas C. Howie, Department of Ecology
Kurt Marx, Center for Urban Waters