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Eric Law  
DWSRF Project Development Specialist  
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The Old Pantry Building  
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Re: Projects that meet the requirements for Categorical Exclusion (CATEX) without the submittal of a formal request.

Dear Eric:

As per 40 CFR Part 6.204, Procedures for Implementing the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and Assessing the Environmental Effects Abroad of EPA Actions, and the Vermont State Environmental Review Process (SERP), I am recommending that this project is eligible for a categorical exclusion. The recommendation is based on a review of project prints and a discussion with the respective project engineer, which confirms the project will be confined to the existing facility with no environmental or archeological impacts outside the facility's footprint. I recommend that a formal request for a Categorical Exclusion is not necessary in this case.

**Project Location:**

Barton Water System Reservoir  
P.O. Box 519  
Barton, VT 05822  
WSID 5189

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Ian Schrauf", is written over a light-colored background.

Ian Schrauf  
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Vermont Rural Water Association