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STEVEN E. CHESTER
DIRECTOR

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Mr. Timothy R. Wolff, Village Manager
Village of Lake Isabella
1096 Queens Way
Lake Isabella, Michigan 48893

Dear Mr. Wolff:

SUBJECT: Lake Isabella Plat Restrictions, Lake Isabella, Isabella County

Thank you for your April 5, 2005, letter to Director Steven E. Chester. Director Chester has asked me to respond to your concerns expressed on behalf of the village of Lake Isabella. The concerns echo what has been discussed in previous meetings to further explore options that would allow continued development in Lake Isabella subdivision and, in particular, Golf Estates No. 2 and Lake Isabella South.

As discussed in previous meetings, the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) believes that a master plan should be developed that addresses the on-site sewage needs for all lots. Past discussions identified interest in a central sewage collection and treatment system for Lake Isabella. This remains the position of the DEQ. The restrictions originally put into place in the 1970s for Lake Isabella reflect this position.

The DEQ remains available to participate in any future planning meetings and is supportive of the development of a comprehensive work plan for Lake Isabella.

Should you require further information or assistance, please contact Mr. Richard Falardeau, Chief, Land Division and Local Health Unit, Drinking Water and Environmental Health Section, Water Bureau, at 517-241-1345, or you may contact me.

Sincerely,

Stanley F. Pruss
Deputy Director

cc: Mr. George Dunn, Village President, Village of Lake Isabella
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