July 15, 2010

Tatyana Arsh, Director
Columbus Public Utilities
910 Dublin Road
Columbus, OH 43215

Dear Director Arsh:

It is my hope that you are as pleased with the outcome of the work completed in the first half of 2010 by the Greenways Program as I am. This year there is a new energy surrounding the 'green' movement and we are glad to be at the forefront, leading the way for the community to embrace the importance of our natural resources. I would like to give my most sincere thanks to Columbus Public Utilities for making it possible for the Greenways Program to accomplish great strides for our community.

We would like to request a renewal of the City's commitment of $60,000 to fund the 2011 project year. As always, we commit to providing assistance and administrative support to the Greenways and Water Quality Working Group members and to encourage river stewardship. Supplemental proposed activities include, among other things:

- Assist in greenway and trail development throughout Central Ohio and coordinate installation of interpretive signage and mileage markers designed to increase awareness of the regional greenway trail system.
- Hosting quarterly Central Ohio Greenway and Trail Forums.
- Provide watershed educational tools, such as cleanup supplies, videos and brochures, and organize workshops and events (new this year we will be organizing a fundraising event to help communities fund signage projects).
- Finish the *City Green* tree cover analysis, digitize tree canopy and run the model to demonstrate the stormwater benefits.
- Implement the Blacklick and Rocky Fork Watershed Action Plans.

In addition, the following information is enclosed:
1. Our 2010 Greenways Mid-Year Performance Report.
2. Our 2011 detailed operating budget and revenue estimate for the Greenways Program.

If you need more information, please contact me at 614-233-4178 or jtinianow@morpc.org.

Sincerely,

Jerry Tinianow
Director Center for Energy and Environment

Enclosures
CC: Tom Russell (with enclosures) and Dax Blake (with enclosures)