May 21, 1974

Opinion No. 74-158

Mr. Jerome H. Svore
Regional Administrator
Environmental Protection Agency
1735 Baltimore, Room 249
Kansas City, Missouri 64108

Dear Mr. Svore:

At the request of Melville W. Gray, Chief Engineer and Director, Division of Environmental Health, Kansas State Board of Health, we hereby state that it is the opinion of this office that the Kansas State Board of Health and its president are the responsible agency and individual, respectively, to enter into agreements on behalf of the state of Kansas with the Environmental Protection Agency of the United States Government for the purpose of obtaining federal grants under the authority of 33 U.S.C. §1158. The Board of Health is the appropriate state water pollution control agency for the State of Kansas as this term is used in 33 U.S.C. §1158, and has the authority to make the commitment in its letter to you dated May 9, 1974, ratifying and continuing its previous agreement and undertaking, dated May 4, 1972.

Senate Bill 460 (now K.S.A. 12-3710 to 12-3721) was duly enacted by the 1973 Legislature, signed by Governor Docking, and published in the official state paper on April 25, 1973, and is now the law of the state of Kansas, repealing and replacing Chapter 240, Laws of 1972 (K.S.A. 12-3701 to 12-3709).

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel at liberty to contact this office.

Very truly yours,

VERN MILLER
Attorney General

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cc: Mr. Melville Gray
Department of Health