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**MEMORANDUM**

**SUBJECT:** Recommendation for Approval of Syssta Easy (1-Reagent) Nitrate Method  
[Revision Date, January 16, 2009] (ATP Case No. N06-0041)

**FROM:** Lemuel Walker *L.W.*  
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**TO:** USEPA Regional Administrators (all Regions)

**DATE:** January 22, 2009

We have reviewed the Syssta Easy (1-Reagent) Nitrate Method (Revision Date, January 16, 2009, *Nitrate by Discreet Analysis Syssta Easy (1-Reagent) Nitrate Method (Colorimetric, Automated, 1-Reagent)*), and the supporting validation data in ATP Case No. N06-0041. We have determined that this method meets all requirements for measurements of nitrate and nitrite singly or combined in water and wastewater. That is, the performance of this method is substantially similar to methods listed at 40 CFR Part 136 for measurement of nitrate and nitrite singly or combined.

We will recommend that this method be included in future regulatory actions in which we periodically update the methods approved at 40 CFR Part 136.3. Meanwhile, Regions may wish to exercise their authority under 40 CFR Part 136.5 to allow use of this method.

If I can be of any additional assistance on this matter or others, please contact me at [walker.lemuel@epa.gov](mailto:walker.lemuel@epa.gov).

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