I am extremely pleased to make several personnel announcements today affecting Site Remediation and Waste Management, Natural and Historic Resources, Management and Budget, Environmental Regulation, and the Division of Personnel. With one exception, today's senior management announcements continue a trend of promoting from within DEP (or its alums). This trend not only recognizes the outstanding caliber of our employees but is a costeffective way of filling our senior staff. With today's announcement, I have completed appointments to most senior level positions for the Department...

Environmental Regulation: I am excited to reintroduce to the Department Nancy Wittenberg as Assistant Commissioner for Environmental Regulation. As many of you may know, Nancy started her career at the DEP in the Division of Waste Management and also served as Director of the Division of Environmental Quality. In this capacity she was New Jersey's representative to the Northeast Ozone Transport Commission. She also has worked for the New York City Transit Authority, the Triborough Bridge & Tunnel Authority and, most recently, as Director of Environmental Affairs with the New Jersey Builders Association. earned her M.S. degree in Environmental Engineering from Duke University and her B.S. in Biology from the University of Vermont. Please welcome Nancy back to the Department's ranks as Assistant Commissioner for Environmental Regulation. She will begin in her new capacity sometime around April 24, 2006.

Lisa P. Jackson Commissioner