



RHODE ISLAND

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

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April 20, 2007

Richard G. Peterson, Jr.
Patricia B. Ellis
Charles & Bette Laurent
c/o P.O. Box 669
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Re: Application No. 07-0094 in reference to the location below:

Approximately 300 feet north of Middle Road (at 1251 Middle Road), near Utility Pole No. 130, and approximately 1400 feet northwest of its intersection with Stone Ridge Drive, Assessor's Plat 12G, Lots 436 & 437, East Greenwich, RI

Dear Mr. Peterson, Ms. Ellis, Mr. Laurent & Ms. Laurent:

Kindly be advised that the Department of Environmental Management's ("DEM") Freshwater Wetlands Program ("Program") has completed its review of your **request to verify the delineated edge of freshwater wetlands**. This review included an inspection of the above referenced property ("subject property") as described by the site plans submitted with your application and received on March 2, 2007.

Based upon the Program's observations and review, it is our determination that freshwater wetlands are present on or are in close proximity to the subject property. These freshwater wetlands are regulated by this Department and include at least the following types:

- swamp ("A"-series flags)
- perimeter wetland (that area of land within 50 feet of the edge of any bog, marsh, swamp, or pond)
- intermittent stream (unnamed)
- riverbank wetland (the area of land within 100 feet of the edge of any flowing body of water less than 10 feet wide)
- floodplain (associated with the intermittent stream)

The DEM has completed an inspection and review of the wetland edges delineated by you on-site. It is our determination that the wetland edges delineated on-site are accurate. These wetland edges have been shown on the site plan submitted with your application and are referenced as: A-18 through A-33, A-49 through A-64, and A-74 through A-80. Note that flags located off of the subject property have not been specifically verified. Nevertheless, the perimeter wetland depicted in association with these flags is considered accurate.

Please note that our inspection of the subject property has revealed the presence of other freshwater wetlands not specifically depicted by you. Specifically an intermittent stream is located within a constriction in the swamp between flags A-57 and A-53. The stream channel is close to the wetland edge, and a 100-foot riverbank wetland must be shown from the edge of the scoured bank in any future site plan submissions.

This letter does not constitute an approval or permit for any proposed project on the subject property. Pursuant to Section 2-1-21(a) of the Freshwater Wetlands Act and the Rules and Regulations Governing the Administration and Enforcement of the Freshwater Wetlands Act (Rules) a permit is required from this Program prior to the commencement of any activity which impacts or alters freshwater wetlands

In addition, you should note that freshwater wetlands are present on this property which may be regulated under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended 33 U.S.C. 1344). Accordingly, a permit may be required from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for alteration of these wetland areas.

In accordance with Rule 9.02(F) of the Rules, this verification of the delineated edge of freshwater wetlands is valid for a limited period of four (4) years from the date of issue.

Please contact Kate McPherson of this Office (telephone: 401-222-6820, ext. 7732) should you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,



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