



RHODE ISLAND

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

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August 2, 2007

FM Global  
Thomas M. Dusal, Vice President - Real Estate  
1301 Atwood Avenue  
PO Box 7500  
Johnston, RI 02919

Re: Application No. 07-0303 in reference to the location below:

Approximately 1200 feet south of Central Avenue, approximately one half mile east of the intersection of Central Avenue and Atwood Avenue (Rte 5), Assessor's Plat 24/1, Lots 22, 122, 114 & 115, Johnston, RI.

Dear Mr. Dusal:

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 July 17, 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 Program and include at least the following types:

- (3) Swamps
- Marsh
- (2) Forested Wetland
- 50-foot Perimeter Wetland
- Area Subject to Storm Flowage (ASSF)
- River (Pocasset River)
- 200-foot Riverbank Wetland
- 100-year Floodplain

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 substantially accurate. These wetland edges have been shown on the site plan submitted with your application and are referenced as wetland flags WF1-201 through WF1-295, WF2-71 through WF2-75, WF2-76 through WF2-131, WF2-132 through 145, WF3-261 through WF3-313, WF5-172 through WF5-210, and CLS2-100 through CLS2-101. Wetland edge flags of the WF1, WF2, and WF3 series delineate the edge of three swamps. A portion of the WF2 series flags (WF2-71 to WF2-75 and WF2-132 to WF2-145) delineates the edge of a forested wetland. Wetland edge flags of the WF5 series delineate the edge of a marsh. The CLS2 series flags delineate the centerline of an Area Subject to Storm Flowage (ASSF).

Corrections and/or modifications to the delineated edge are required which include the following:

- Relocate Wetland Flags WF1-245 and WF1-246 approximately 15 feet to the north.
- Relocate Wetland Flag WF1-265 approximately 15 feet to the north.
- Relocate Wetland Flags WF1-275 and WF1-276 approximately 15 feet to the west.
- Relocate Wetland Flag WF5-176 approximately 25 feet to the south.
- Relocate Wetland Flag WF5-175 approximately 15 feet to the south.

Other than these corrections, all other wetland edges requested for verification are considered accurate.

Please note, you should not infer that any verification of wetland edges carried out by this Department to date represents a determination that this is the extent of all wetlands on your property. **The Department has verified only those edges delineated and shown by you on-site and on site plans submitted with your application and as qualified in this letter.** Should you wish to verify the edge of additional wetlands, an additional application will be required. Additional wetland edges were shown, but not requested for verification. The Pocasset River, its 200-foot riverbank wetland, and its 100-year floodplain were not shown and are not verified.

**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.**

This Program assumes that the edges of freshwater wetlands, as flagged or marked on site, have been accurately surveyed and portrayed on site plans submitted in support of your application. This Program makes no guarantee or representation that such survey is accurate.

In addition, you should note that freshwater wetlands are present on this property that 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 8.03(H) 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.

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Please contact Claire Swift of this Office telephone: (401-222-6820, ext. 7418) should you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,



Martin Wencek, Permitting Supervisor  
Office of Water Resources  
Freshwater Wetland Program

MDW /CVS/cvs

xc: Lance Hill, PE, Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc.