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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

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TDD 401-222-4462

February 12, 2010

Paulette D. Hamilton, Town Administrator
Town of North Smithfield
P.O. Box 248
One Main Street
North Smithfield, RI 02876

Insignificant Alteration – Permit

RE: Application No. 10-0009 in reference to the property and proposed project located:

Approximately 40 feet south of Great Road, approximately 270 feet west of the intersection of Great Road and St. Paul Street, Highway Plat Nos. 267 and 424, North Smithfield, RI.

Dear Ms. Hamilton:

Kindly be advised that the Department of Environmental Management's ("DEM") Freshwater Wetlands Program ("Program") has completed its review of your **Request for Preliminary Determination** application. This review included a site inspection of the above referenced property ("subject property") and an evaluation of the proposed removal and replacement of a sewer line and associated concrete pilings as illustrated and detailed on site plans submitted with your application. These site plans were received by the DEM on January 25, 2010 and February 8, 2010.

Our observations of the subject property, review of the site plans and evaluation of the proposed project reveals that alterations of freshwater wetlands are proposed. However, pursuant to Rule 9.00 of the Rules and Regulations Governing the Administration and Enforcement of the Fresh Water Wetlands Act (Rules), this project may be permitted as an **insignificant alteration** to freshwater wetlands under the following terms and conditions:

Terms and Conditions for Application No. 10-0009:

1. This letter is the DEM's permit for this project under the R.I. Fresh Water Wetlands Act, Rhode Island General Laws (RIGL) Section 2-1-18 et seq.
2. This permit is specifically limited to the project, site alterations and limits of disturbance as detailed on the site plans submitted with your application and received by the DEM on January 25, 2010 (sheets 1 through 9 of 10) and February 8, 2010 (sheet 10 of 10). A copy of the site plans stamped approved by the DEM is enclosed. Changes or revisions to the project that would alter freshwater wetlands are not authorized without a permit from the DEM.
3. Where the terms and conditions of the permit conflict with the approved site plans, these terms and conditions shall be deemed to supersede the site plans.

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4. You must notify this Program in writing immediately prior to the commencement of site alterations and upon completion of the project.
5. A copy of the stamped approved site plans and a copy of this permit must be kept at the site at all times during site preparation, construction, and final stabilization. Copies of this permit and the stamped approved plans must be made available for review by any DEM representative upon request.
6. The effective date of this permit is the date this letter was issued. This permit expires four (4) years from the date of issue.
7. Any material utilized in this project must be clean and free of matter that could pollute any freshwater wetland.
8. Prior to commencement of site alterations, you shall erect or post a sign resistant to the weather and at least twelve (12) inches wide and eighteen (18) inches long, which boldly identifies the initials "DEM" and the application number of this permit. This sign must be maintained at the site in a conspicuous location until such time that the project is complete.
9. Temporary erosion and sediment controls detailed or described on the approved site plans shall be properly installed at the site prior to or commensurate with site alterations. Such controls shall be properly maintained, replaced, supplemented, or modified as necessary throughout the life of this project to minimize soil erosion and to prevent sediment from being deposited in any wetlands not subject to disturbance under this permit.
10. Upon permanent stabilization of all disturbed soils, temporary erosion and/or sediment controls consisting of hay bales and/or silt fence must be removed.
11. You are obligated to install, utilize and follow all best management practices detailed or described on the approved site plans in the construction of the project to minimize or prevent adverse impacts to any adjacent freshwater wetlands and the functions and values provided by such wetlands.
12. Using best management practices, you are required to protect all existing trees equal to or greater than twelve (12) inches diameter at breast height (12" dbh) within the approved limits of disturbance. Trimming of trees equal to or greater than 12" dbh, including the large multi-stemmed specimen tree present within the westerly Riverbank Wetland immediately adjacent to a 2-foot by 2-foot concrete block associated with the existing sewer line, shall be restricted to only those small tree limbs that must be cut to access the existing sewer line.

Pursuant to the provisions in Rule 7.09 and Rule 11.04, as applicable, any properly recorded and valid permit is automatically transferred to the new owner upon sale of the property.

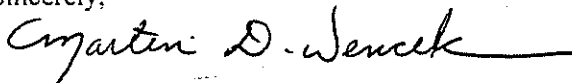
You are required to comply with the terms and conditions of this permit and to carry out this project in compliance with the Rules at all times. Failure to do so may result in an enforcement action by this Department.

In permitting the proposed alterations, the DEM assumes no responsibility for damages resulting from faulty design or construction.

This permit does not remove your obligation to obtain any local, state, or federal approvals or permits required by ordinance or law and does not relieve you from any duties owed to adjacent landowners with specific reference to any changes in drainage.

Please contact Jane Kelly of this office (telephone: 401-222-6820 x 7420) should you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,



Martin D. Wencek, Permitting Supervisor
Office of Water Resources
Freshwater Wetlands Program

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Enclosure: Approved site plans

Xc: James J. Geremia, P.E., James J. Geremia and Associates, Inc.
Linda A. Steere, Preseident, Applied Bio-Systems, Inc.