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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

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TDD 401-222-4462

February 1, 2012

Elmer Knowles
540 Rose Hill Road
South Kingstown, RI 02879

Re: Application No. 11-0232 in reference to the location below:

Approximately 400 feet west of Rose Hill Road, approximately 700 feet southwest of the intersection of Rose Hill Road and Woodstock Lane, Utility Pole No. 16, Assessor's Plat 32, Lot 13, South Kingstown, RI.

Dear Mr. Knowles:

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 December 8, 2011.

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) Forested Wetlands

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 wetland flags 100 through 103, 201 through 208, 300 through 309, and 400 through 406. These wetland edge flags delineate portions of the edges of three (3) forested wetlands.

Please note that our inspection of the subject property has revealed the presence of other freshwater wetlands elsewhere on the property not specifically delineated by you. Therefore, 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 these additional wetlands, an additional application will be required.

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.

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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.

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

Sincerely,



W. Joseph Casey, Senior Environmental Scientist
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Freshwater Wetland Program

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