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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

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TDD 401-222-4462

July 3, 2014

David Lawrence  
640 Thames Street  
Newport, RI 02840

Re: Application No. 13-0204 in reference to the location below:

Approximately 500 feet east of West Main Road, approximately 600 feet east of the intersection of West Main Road and West View Road, Utility Pole No. 239, Assessor's Plat 111, Lots 23 & 23B, Middletown, RI.

Dear Mr. Lawrence:

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 June 26, 2014.

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:

- Marsh
- 50-foot Perimeter Wetland
- 100 Riverbank Wetland (see below)

The DEM has completed an inspection and review of the wetland edge delineated by you on the subject property. It is our determination that the wetland edge delineated on the subject property is substantially accurate. This wetland edge has been shown on the site plan submitted with your application and is referenced as wetland flags A1 through A27. These wetland edge flags delineate the edge of a marsh.

One minor correction and/or modification to the delineated edge is required, which consists of the following:

- Relocate wetland flag A4 approximately 15 feet to the west.

Other than this correction, all other wetland edges illustrated by the A series flags are considered accurate.

It should also be noted that a river known as Bailey Brook is shown on the USGS topographic maps as originating within this wetland immediately to the east of the subject property. A 100-foot riverbank wetland is associated with this river. Floodplain may also be present on site. This river has not been verified under this application.



Please note that 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 any 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.**

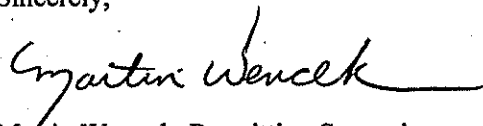
This Program assumes that the edges of freshwater wetlands, as flagged or marked on site, have been accurately surveyed and portrayed on site plans submitted in support of your application. This Program makes no guarantee or representation that such survey is accurate.

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,



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

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