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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

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April 10, 2015

Rhode Island Department of Transportation  
Attn. Peter A. Healey, P. E.,  
Environmental Resources/Highway Engineering  
Two Capitol Hill  
Providence, RI 02903

**Insignificant Alteration – Permit**

RE: Wetland Application No. 15-0017, in reference to the property and proposed project located along Newman Avenue from the Rhode Island, Massachusetts State line westerly for 0.4 miles to the intersection of Newman Avenue and Barney Street, East Providence, RI.

Dear Mr. Healey:

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 and has evaluated the proposed replacement of the Newman Avenue bridge, resurfacing an area of Newman Avenue, and installation of a storm-water control structure as illustrated and detailed on site plans submitted with your application. These site plans were received on March 20, 2015.

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. 15-0017:

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 March 20, 2015. The approved set of site plans consists of 23 total sheets and has been renumbered in red ink as sheets 1 of 23, 2 of 23, etcetera, through sheets 23 of 23. A copy of the site plans stamped approved by the DEM is enclosed. Changes or revisions to the project which 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.

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 on July 1, 2019.
7. Any material utilized in this project must be clean and free of matter which 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 silt fence must be removed.
11. You are responsible for the proper operation, maintenance and stability of any mitigative features, facilities, and systems of treatment and control which are installed or used in compliance with this permit to prevent harm to adjacent wetlands.
12. 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.
13. The operation and maintenance plan (O & M Plan) submitted in support of this application shall be strictly followed.

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.

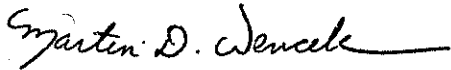
This permit does not remove your obligation to obtain any local, state, or federal approvals or permits required by ordinance or law and does not relieve you from any duties owed to adjacent landowners with specific reference to any changes in drainage.

Application No. 12-0164

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Please contact me at this office (telephone: 401-222-4700) should you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,



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

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Enclosure: Approved site plans

xc: Traci Pena, RIPDES Permitting Program  
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