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November 29, 2011

Mr. Paul Wintle  
Town of Orono Water Pollution Control Facility  
P.O. Box 130  
Orono, ME. 04473

RE: Maine Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (MEPDES) Permit #ME0100498  
Maine Waste Discharge License (WDL) Application #W002673-5L-F-R  
**Minor Revision**

Dear Mr. Wintle:

The Department is in receipt of your November 21<sup>st</sup> letter to David Breau, CSO Coordinator, requesting a change in a date in the schedule of compliance found in Special Condition K, *Conditions of Combined Sewer Overflow*, §4, *CSO Master Plan*, on page 14 of the above referenced permit. The Town of Orono has requested the Department consider changing the date of submission of an updated CSO Master Plan and abatement schedule from December 31, 2010, to December 31, 2012.

The Department is receptive to changing the submission date of the CSO Master Plan but is limited to extending the date to remain within the term of the permit. The expiration date of the above referenced permit is November 30, 2012, and therefore the CSO Master Plan will be due or before November 30, 2012. Page 14 of the permit has been revised accordingly and attached to this letter.

If you have any questions regarding the matter, please feel free to call me at 287-7693.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "G. Wood".

Gregg Wood  
Division of Water Quality Management  
Bureau of Land and Water Quality

Enc.

cc: Tanya Hovell, DEP/EMRO    David Breau, DEP/CMRO    Lori Mitchell, DEP/CMRO  
Sandy Mojica, USEPA

**SPECIAL CONDITIONS**

**K. CONDITIONS FOR COMBINED SEWER OVERFLOW (cont'd)**

2. Prohibited Discharges

- a) The discharge of dry weather flows is prohibited. All such discharges shall be reported to the Department in accordance with Standard Condition D (1) of this permit.
- b) No discharge shall occur as a result of mechanical failure, improper design or inadequate operation or maintenance.
- c) No discharges shall occur at flow rates below the maximum design capacities of the wastewater treatment facility, pumping stations or sewerage system.

3. Narrative Effluent Limitations

- a) The effluent shall not contain a visible oil sheen, settled substances, foam, or floating solids at any time that impair the characteristics and designated uses ascribed to the classification of the receiving waters.
- b) The effluent shall not contain materials in concentrations or combinations that are hazardous or toxic to aquatic life; or which would impair the usage designated by the classification of the receiving waters.
- c) The discharge shall not impart color, turbidity, toxicity, radioactivity or other properties that cause the receiving waters to be unsuitable for the designated uses and other characteristics ascribed to their class.
- d) Notwithstanding specific conditions of this permit, the effluent by itself or in combination with other discharges shall not lower the quality of any classified body of water below such classification, or lower the existing quality of any body of water if the existing quality is higher than the classification.

4. CSO Master Plan (see Sections 2 & 3 of Chapter 570 Department Rules)

The permittee shall implement CSO control projects in accordance with an approved CSO Master Plan and abatement schedule. The CSO Master Plan, entitled *Sewer System Master Plan For CSO Abatement, Town of Orono, Maine*, dated December 1994 was approved by the Department on January 23, 1997. Revised abatement schedules were submitted to the Department in letters dated June 22, 1998 and December 13, 1999, and approved by the Department on June 25, 1998 and December 13, 1999, respectively. The CSO Master Plan was updated in the document entitled, *Wastewater Infrastructure Facilities Evaluation, Town of Orono, Maine*, dated January 2005 and approved by the Department on May 16, 2005.

**On or before November 30, 2012, [PCS Code 06699]** the permittee shall submit a CSO Master Plan Update and abatement schedule to the Department for review and approval.