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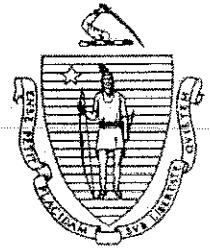
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Ladies & Gentlemen:

In accordance with Chapter 130, section 74A of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Division of Marine Fisheries (DMF) has determined that the below defined shellfish growing areas, CCB11 through CCB14 in the Town of Wellfleet no longer meet the established criteria for the harvest of shellfish as a result of notification by the Department of Public Health that illnesses have been linked to the consumption of shellfish harvested from CCB11 and CCB14. Since areas CCB11, 12, 13 and 14 are contiguous and part of one hydrographic area, all these growing areas are included in the closure. CCB10 is already a prohibited area due to bacterial contamination. This closure is effective at 1:45PM October 13, 2016.

In accordance with of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 130, sections 74A and 75, the status of the below defined areas has been changed to "CLOSED TO SHELLFISHING". Digging, harvesting or collecting and/or attempting to dig, harvest or collect shellfish and the possession of shellfish from the below defined areas are prohibited.

Removal of any shellfish (seed or market size) from the aquaculture sites for offsite culling is prohibited. Work to maintain gear or shellfish aquaculture sites will be allowed provided the grower gives prior daily notice to the local shellfish department who will maintain a daily list. Sale of seed shellfish from Wellfleet Harbor for purposes of aquaculture or propagation is prohibited except for within Wellfleet Harbor.

Under authority of 322 CMR 7.01 (7) all permits issued hereunder are hereby conditioned to prohibit the taking, selling or possession of shellfish, offsite culling, or seed sales from the below defined areas.

CLASSIFICATION: APPROVED AND CONDITIONALLY APPROVED

Status: Closed To Shellfishing with the exception of bay and sea scallop adductor muscles and carnivorous snails including conchs and whelks

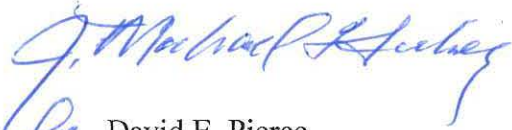
Wellfleet Harbor
CCB11 – CCB14

" The waters, flats and all tributaries of Wellfleet Harbor in the Town of Wellfleet, northerly of a line drawn from Jeremy Point to the Eastham/Wellfleet Town Marker."

This closure will remain in effect until DMF determines the shellfish is safe to harvest for human consumption.

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Sincerely,



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