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**RE: Maine Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit #ME0101061  
Maine Waste Discharge License (WDL) #W002689-6B-J-R (and two subsequent modifications)  
Termination of Permit-North Jay WWTF**

Dear Mr. Holt:

By this letter, the Department of Environmental Protection (Department) is terminating the above referenced permit last issued on May 10, 2016 (with two subsequent modifications) to the Town of Jay for their North Jay Wastewater Treatment Facility (North Jay WWTF/NJ WWTF). The permit authorized the monthly average discharge of 0.06 million gallons per day (MGD) of secondary treated sanitary wastewater to Sevenmile Stream, Class B, in Jay, Maine.

Based on an email dated November 9, 2020 from you to Department staff, as well as a confirmation email from Jim Crowley (Department Compliance Supervisor), it is our understanding you are requesting to terminate the above mentioned MEPDES permit, as the North Jay WWTF has ceased discharging as of July 29, 2020. Wastewater produced in the North Jay Village is now pumped to the wastewater collection system in Jay Village, which flows to the Livermore Falls WWTF for treatment and discharge pursuant their wastewater discharge permit.

Per your email (and confirmation from Department Compliance staff), "The former North Jay WWTF has been abandoned, tankage within the treatment unit dome structure has been drained and filled with gravel and is currently being used as a garage area for our collection system maintenance equipment. The dechlorination tank has been removed and the discharge line to the stream has been capped. The dechlorination building has been removed from the site. The chlorine tank remains on site in its original condition with the outfall pipe that flowed to the former dechlorination tank being capped. We are currently involved in the "Capstone Project" with the University of Maine at Orono engineering students to determine if it would be in the community's best interest to repurpose the former NJ WWTF infrastructure into a compost facility for the sludge produced at the LF WWTF.

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The new pump station at the former site of the NJ WWTF is intended to be in service for the next 50 years or more.”

The Department will be inactivating the facility in our database so that Discharge Monitoring Reports and billing statements are not sent to the permittee in the future. By copy of this letter, we are notifying the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency of the retirement of the permit.

Please be advised that a permit may be needed from Department for any future discharge of pollutants from this facility to the surface or ground waters of the State of Maine, either under current ownership or new ownership. Any new permit/license would be based on the characteristics of the effluent being discharged and the impacts of the discharge on the quality of the receiving water.

If you have any questions regarding the matter, please feel free to call me at 287-7823.

Sincerely,



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