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Mr. Charles E. Hewett, Ph.D
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RE: Maine Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (MEPDES) Permit #ME0001741
Maine Waste Discharge License #W000980

Dear Mr. Hewett:

The Department is in receipt of a June 27th electronic mail message requesting the above reference permit/license for filter backwash discharges from a former industrial facility discharging non-contact cooling water be retired. It is our understanding there have not been any discharges since closure and eventual transfer of the facility on June 14, 2024. We will be terminating the permit/license in our database so that Discharge Monitoring Reports (DMRs) and billing statements are not sent to you in the future.

By copy of this letter, we are notifying the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency that the MEPDES permit is being terminated.

Please be advised that a permit and or license may be needed from this Department for any future discharge of pollutants from this facility to the surface waters or ground waters of the State of Maine, either under current ownership or new ownership. Any new permit or 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.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, feel free to contact me by phone at 615-6711 or e-mail at laura.crossley@maine.gov.

Sincerely,

Laura Crossley
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