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Mr. Marco Hernandez  
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RE: Maine Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (MEPDES) Permit #ME0036943  
Maine Waste Discharge License (WDL) #W009008-6A-D-R  
**Permit Retirement**

Dear Mr. Hernandez:

By this letter, the Maine Department of Environmental Protection is retiring the above referenced combination MEPDES permit/WDL (permit hereinafter) last issued by the Department on April 20, 2018, to Fresh Atlantic USA for a five-year term. The permit approved the discharge of up to a daily maximum flow of 12,100 gallons per day (gpd) of process waste water and clean-up waste waters from a sea urchin processing facility to the Fore River, Class SC, in Portland, Maine.

Department rule, 06-096 CMR Chapter 2 states in relevant part;

**21. License Renewals, Amendments and Transfers.** Applications for renewed, amended or transferred licenses are subject to all of the provisions of this rule and the following requirements:

- A. **Renewals.** Renewal applications must be submitted prior to the expiration of the existing license. If a renewal application is not timely submitted prior to expiration of the existing license, or is timely submitted but not accepted as complete for processing in accordance with section 11(B) of this rule, the license lapses.

Department records indicate the above referenced MEPDES permit/WDL expired on April 20, 2023, and Fresh Atlantic USA has failed to submit a renewal application as of the date of this letter. Therefore, the MEPDES permit/WDL has lapsed. The Department is retiring the MEPDES permit/WDL and we will be inactivating it in our database so that Discharge Monitoring Reports and billing statements will no longer be sent to Fresh Atlantic USA. Your facility is no longer authorized to discharge any process water, clean-up water or other miscellaneous waste waters associated with the processing facility to the Fore River or any other surface waterbody. We are also notifying the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency of the permit retirement. If Fresh Atlantic USA would like to obtain a new discharge permit/license, we would be more than happy to provide Fresh Atlantic USA with the proper application forms.

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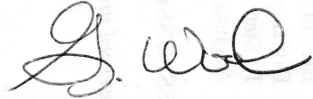
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If you have any questions regarding the matter, please feel free to call me at 287-7693.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "G. Wood". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "G" and a long, sweeping underline.

Gregg Wood  
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