



**RHODE ISLAND**  
**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT**  
OFFICE OF WATER RESOURCES  
235 Promenade Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02908

June 7, 2024

**CERTIFIED MAIL**

Ms. Laurie Horridge, Executive Director  
The Narragansett Bay Commission (NBC)  
235 Merrill Road  
Pittsfield, MA 01201

**RE: Notice of Permit Termination**  
**NBC Phase III CSO Program – Pawtucket Tunnel Construction Dewatering Site**  
**RIPDES Permit No. RI0023990**

Dear Ms. Horridge:

In accordance with the regulations as adopted pursuant to Chapter 46-12 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, as amended, the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management has terminated the above referenced Rhode Island Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (RIPDES) Permit as of the date noted in the attached termination. The attached termination and Statement of Basis includes the details of the permit termination.

The permit, which became effective on September 1, 2021, pertained to NBC's (RIPDES Permit No. RI0023990) discharge of treated construction dewatering effluent to the Seekonk River. In a May 14, 2024 termination request letter from CB3A on behalf of NBC and CBNA Barletta Phase IIIA CSO JV to DEM, documentation was provided that displayed the discharge pipes that lead to the Seekonk River had been physically capped on the construction side of the site on April 30, 2024. All construction dewatering wastewater will continue to be treated via the existing groundwater treatment system and discharged to the NBC sewer system in accordance with NBC Wastewater Discharge Permit # B4012-030-0626. Due to the following factors, the above-referenced RIPDES Permit is no longer required for your facility: the discharge of treated construction dewatering effluent to the Seekonk River had only occurred in September 2022; as of September 21, 2022 the treated dewatering water has been managed through the an NBC sewer permit as noted above; and the discharge pipes/permitted outfall conveyances have been capped on the construction side of the site as of the May 14<sup>th</sup> termination request.

If you have any questions relative to this matter, please contact me at 401-537-4255 or by email at [aaron.mello@dem.ri.gov](mailto:aaron.mello@dem.ri.gov).

Sincerely,

Aaron Mello  
Environmental Engineer II

ecc: Heidi Travers, P.E., DEM/OWR  
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Gregory Waugh, NBC

TERMINATION

AUTHORIZATION TO DISCHARGE UNDER THE  
RHODE ISLAND POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM

In compliance with the provisions of Chapter 46-12 of the Rhode Island General Laws, as amended,

**The Narragansett Bay Commission**  
1 Service Road  
Providence, RI 02905  
&  
**CBNA Barletta Phase IIIA CSO JV**  
40 Shawmut Road, Suite 200  
Canton, MA 02021

is no longer authorized to discharge from a facility located at

**Phase III CSO Program - Pawtucket Tunnel Construction Dewatering Site**  
804 School Street  
Pawtucket, Rhode Island 02860

to receiving waters named

Seekonk River

All effluent limitations, monitoring requirements and other conditions in the original permit are no longer in effect.

This termination shall become effective on the date of signature.

This terminates the permit issued on July 6, 2021.

This termination consists of 1 page.

Signed this 7<sup>th</sup> day of June 2024.



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Heidi Travers, P.E., Environmental Engineer IV  
Office of Water Resources  
Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management

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STATEMENT OF BASIS

PROPOSED TERMINATION OF A RHODE ISLAND POLLUTANT DISCHARGE  
ELIMINATION SYSTEM (RIPDES) PERMIT TO DISCHARGE TO WATERS OF THE  
STATE

RIPDES PERMIT NO. RI0023990

NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS OF PERMITTEE:

**The Narragansett Bay Commission**  
1 Service Road  
Providence, RI 02905  
&  
**CBNA Barletta Phase IIIA CSO JV**  
40 Shawmut Road, Suite 200  
Canton, MA 02021

NAME AND ADDRESS OF FACILITY WHERE DISCHARGE OCCURS:

**Phase III CSO Program - Pawtucket Tunnel Construction Dewatering Site**  
804 School Street  
Pawtucket, Rhode Island 02860

RECEIVING WATER:

**Seekonk River**

RECEIVING WATER CLASSIFICATION:

**SB1{a}**

TYPE OF FACILITY:

The facility, which was the source of a wastewater discharge, was issued a permit to discharge on July 6, 2021 (effective on September 1, 2021). The permit pertained to the discharge of treated effluent from a dewatering treatment system associated with construction of the Narragansett Bay Commission (NBC) Phase III Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) Program's Pawtucket Tunnel site. The treated construction-phase dewatering effluent had been discharged to the Seekonk River from Outfall 001 through one of two submerged multiport diffusers. The discharge pipes/permitted outfall conveyances that lead to the Seekonk River had been physically capped on the construction side of the site as of April 30, 2024, thus preventing any discharge to the Seekonk

River. The dewatering treatment system continues to treat and discharge construction dewatering wastewater to the NBC sewer system in accordance with NBC Wastewater Discharge Permit # B4012-030-0626.

**BASIS FOR DEM'S TENTATIVE DECISION TO TERMINATE:**

In a May 14, 2024 termination request letter from CB3A on behalf of NBC and CBNA Barletta Phase IIIA CSO JV to DEM, documentation was provided that displayed the discharge pipes that lead to the Seekonk River had been physically capped on the construction side of the site on April 30, 2024. The May 14<sup>th</sup> letter also noted that construction dewatering wastewater will continue to be treated via the existing groundwater treatment system and discharged to the NBC sewer system in accordance with NBC Wastewater Discharge Permit # B4012-030-0626. Due to the following factors, the above-referenced RIPDES Permit is no longer required for the NBC Phase III CSO Pawtucket Tunnel Construction Dewatering Site: the discharge of treated construction dewatering effluent to the Seekonk River had only occurred between September 15 and September 21, 2022; as of September 21, 2022 the treated dewatering water has been managed through the an NBC sewer permit as noted above; and the discharge pipes/permitted outfall conveyances have been capped on the construction side of the site as of the May 14<sup>th</sup> termination request. Therefore, since the permittee is no longer discharging, or has the potential to discharge, to a water of the State, the permit is being terminated.

**DEM CONTACT:**

Additional information concerning the permit termination may be obtained, by appointment, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays, from:

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Office of Water Resources  
Permits Section  
235 Promenade Street  
Providence, Rhode Island 02908-5767  
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07 June 2024

Date

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