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TO: Interested Persons of Record

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***RE: Notice of Public Meeting Related to Proposed Draft General Permits  
Discharge of Waste Snow to Surface Waters, MEG20000  
Discharge of Waste Snow to Ground Water MEG210000***

Dear Interested Persons:

On October 31, 2013, the Maine Department of Environmental Protection (Department) issued two new proposed draft General Permits for review and comment. Public comment on the two draft General Permits is allowed until the date of a final agency action on the draft General Permits.

These General Permits are being developed in response to Legislative Resolve Chapter 44, "Resolve, Directing the Department of Environmental Protection To Amend Its Rules Regarding Snow Dumps" (Resolves 2011 ch. 44) which directs the Department to review its rules regarding snow dumps to determine "[h]ow the rules may be amended to expedite the licensing process for municipalities that cannot be exempted from the waste discharge licensing requirement" and to ensure "the rules do not conflict with the Federal Water Pollution Control Act."

In accordance with *Rules Concerning the Processing of Applications and Other Administrative Matters*, 06-096 CMR 2(8) (last amended August 25, 2013), the Department has scheduled a public meeting for the purpose of collecting comments that will become part of the record in this pending action.

The public meeting will be held as follows:

Date: Monday, February 10, 2014  
Time: 10:00 a.m.  
Location: DEP Response Training Room  
4 Blossom Lane (AMHI Complex)  
Augusta, Maine 04330

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17 STATE HOUSE STATION  
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0017  
(207) 287-7688 FAX: (207) 287-7826

BANGOR  
106 HOGAN ROAD, SUITE 6  
BANGOR, MAINE 04401  
(207) 941-4570 FAX: (207) 941-4584

PORTLAND  
312 CANCO ROAD  
PORTLAND, MAINE 04103  
(207) 822-6300 FAX: (207) 822-6303

PRESQUE ISLE  
1235 CENTRAL DRIVE, SKYWAY PARK  
PRESQUE ISLE, MAINE 04769  
(207) 764-0477 FAX: (207) 760-3143

Such public meetings are not subject to the procedural requirements of the Maine Administrative Procedure Act or the Department's hearing rules. Persons commenting on the application are not under oath and there is no opportunity for cross-examination.

If you have any questions regarding the matter, or need a copy of the draft General Permits, dated October 31, 2013, please feel free to contact me.

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Sincerely,



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Interested persons of record:

ec: Nick Bennett, NRCM  
Ivy Frignoca, CLF  
Joseph Payne, Friends of Casco Bay  
Mary A. Colligan, NOAA, NMFS  
John Perry, MDIFW  
Sean S. Heaney, Dept. of the Navy  
William Bullard, Dept. of the Navy  
Town of Bar Harbor  
City of Bath  
Town of Boothbay Harbor  
Town of Camden  
Town of Damariscotta  
Town of Dixfield  
Town of Mexico  
City of Rockland  
Town of Rockport  
Town of Wiscasset

Kathleen Leyden, DACF  
Michelle Mason Webber, MeDMR  
Brian Pitt, USEPA  
Alex Rosenberg, USEPA  
David Pincumbe, USEPA  
Olga Vergara, USEPA  
Sharri Venno, HBMI  
Trevor White, Passamaquoddy Tribe at Indian Township  
Dale Mitchell, Passamaquoddy Tribal Government  
Dan Jusnierz, PIN  
Fred Corey, ABMI  
Mick Kuhns, MDEP  
Brian Kavanah, MDEP  
Gregg Wood, MDEP