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Dear Owner/Operator

As you may be aware, the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (RIDEM) has been working closely with the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Town of North Providence to address dioxin contamination in the Woonasquatucket River between Route 44 down through Lyman Mill Pond in North Providence. In fact, the area, formerly known as the Centredale Manor Restoration Project, was added to EPA's National Priorities List of Superfund sites in 1999.

Due to the scope and complexity of the site, millions of dollars has been spent on investigations to fully characterize the nature and extent of dioxin contamination in the river and removal actions to mitigate the impact of dioxin on health and the environment in the area. These investigations and cleanup activities continue today. One of the main concerns at the site is the dioxin-contaminated sediment in the river bottom of Allendale Pond. In 2001, RIDEM and EPA oversaw the reconstruction of the breached Allendale



Dam to prevent a catastrophic failure of the former dam could enable additional contaminated sediment to migrate downstream, resulting in an increase in the size and scope of the problem.

Although the goal of the new Allendale Dam is to effectively inhibit contaminated sediment from moving further downstream, any accidental re-suspension and downstream migration of dioxin-contaminated sediment is of particular concern. We would like your continued cooperation in ensuring that this does not occur as the result of an upstream dam release.

RIDEM requests that you contact the following persons at least two weeks prior to any dam releases that you may have scheduled upstream of Allendale Pond and notify them of the quantity and timing of your anticipated release.

- The operator of the dam immediately downstream of the dam that you own/operate. For this information, please refer to the attached contact list.
- Louis Maccarone, Project Manager for the Centredale Manor Restoration Project at RIDEM, by phone (401-222-2797, extension 7142) or by e-mail (lmaccaro@dem.state.ri.us)

By giving at least two weeks notice of scheduled releases, RIDEM and the operators of Allendale Dam will have sufficient time to take any necessary action to prepare for an increase in water volume at Allendale Pond. In addition, it will allow RIDEM and EPA to schedule any work being conducted in the river or on Allendale Dam so that it does not conflict with upstream releases. RIDEM understands that in unforeseeable, or emergency, conditions, situations may arise that makes two weeks notice unfeasible. In cases such as these, please notify RIDEM as soon as possible. To assist these communications, a telephone contact list has been included with this letter.

If you have received notice that there is a release scheduled immediately upstream from a dam you own/operate, please share the courtesy and notify the owner/operator of the dam immediately downstream of that release or any release you may conduct as a result. Once again, please refer to the attached contact list for the downstream contact person.

Please feel free to contact Louis Maccarone of the Office of Waste Management by phone at 401-222-2797, ext. 7142 or by e-mail at lmaccaro@dem.state.ri.us with any questions regarding the status of the site. I sincerely hope we can work together to coordinate dam releases with our cleanup efforts for the benefit of the ecosystem and the community.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Leo Hellested". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "L" and "H".

Leo Hellested, P.E., Chief
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Woonasquatucket Coordination Contact List 2004

Area	Contact Person	Phone Number	Address	Other Information
Waterman Lake	Ronald Depault	949-1150 (work), 934-3022, 996-4275 (cell)	633 Putnam Pike, Greenville RI 02828	President of Management Association
Slacks Pond	Mark Barnes Jay Forte	952-8434 (cell), 751-1010, 949-3674, 349-4692 338-3505 (cell), 349-0828	1 Lakeshore Drive, Johnston RI, 02919 94 Coolridge Ave. Greenville RI 02828	President of Management Association Vice President of Management Association
Stillwater Reservoir	Dennis Ryan Richard Kondian	568-8200 232-0527	1265 Round Top Road Harrisville RI 02830 128 Foster Center Road, Foster RI 02825	RI Division of Fish and Game, Round Top Area
Georgiaville Pond	Eugene Bielicki Rick Rudis	231-6229 232-1632, 467-5644 (work)	14 Meyers St., Smithfield, RI 02917 c/o JesMac, Inc., 42 Blundell St., Providence 02905	President of Management Association, rrudis@jesmac.com
Allendale Dam	Jeff Loureiro	(860) 747-6181	100 Northwest Drive, Plainville CT 06062	Project Coordinator for, and Vice President of, LEA, Inc.
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