

From: [Dierker, Carl](#)
To: [Bill White](#)
Cc: cmyers@apexcos.com; jborkland@apexcos.com; [Eric Hines \(ehines@lemessurier.com\)](mailto:Eric.Hines@lemessurier.com); [Catri, Cindy](#); [Williams, Ann](#); [Stanley, Elaine](#)
Subject: Pre-Split Blasting
Date: Friday, August 09, 2013 1:46:15 PM

Hi Bill – I realize you’ve had a busy week with the public meeting on the blasting plan Tuesday evening in New Bedford -- I hope it went smoothly. I left you a v-message earlier that day indicating that our team is trying to work out a schedule to accommodate your need for issuance of the formal modification of the Final Determination before commencement of underwater blasting operations, which we understand you want to start in mid-September. We believe it makes sense to try to incorporate all foreseeable revisions to the project into that formal modification to avoid the need for yet another modified Final Determination and therefore would like to know if and when we should be expecting to receive the additional information described in the last full paragraph on page 2 of our July 24 letter concerning any recent amendments you want to propose to the blasting plan to accommodate the “pre-split” blasting. We will need sufficient time to evaluate that new information and therefore will need to see it as soon as possible in order to be able to incorporate it into the formal modification.

Thanks,
Carl

Carl F. Dierker
Regional Counsel
U.S. EPA -- Region 1, New England
5 Post Office Square
Boston, Massachusetts 02109-3912
tel: 617-918-1091
fax: 617-918-0091
e-mail: dierker.carl@epa.gov