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Kathryn:

This e-mail concerns the shellfish survey that was conducted by the Commonwealth in order to estimate the numbers of shellfish to be impacted by the South Terminal Project in New Bedford. Section 6.4.4 (pages 131 - 135) of the Commonwealth's January 18, 2012 "subject application" for the South Terminal Project summarizes the results from their May 2-3, 2010 shellfish survey. Based upon this shellfish survey, the Commonwealth has estimated that the approximately 9,285,300 individual shellfish will be impacted by filling and dredging impacts associated with this project.

Enclosed for your review is Appendix 52, which provides background data on the May 2010 shellfish survey. Please let me know if you feel that the Commonwealth's estimate for impacted shellfish appears reasonable. In addition, please let me know what is an appropriate number of shellfish to re-seed in order to compensate for the proposed impacts. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding the information presented in this e-mail or if you need additional information to complete your review of this issue. Thanks for your review.

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