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Mr. Robert Batteese
Maine Department of Agriculture
Board of Pesticides Control
28 State House Station
Augusta, Me 04333-0028

Dear Mr. Batteese:

The purpose of this letter is to inform the Board of Pesticides Control that Maine Public Service Company plans to hydraulically spray 39 electric substations and 66 switchstands located in our service territory. (See attached list for substation locations)

The motorized hydraulic spraying on the substations and facilities will be conducted under a drift management plan that will be on file in Maine Public Service Company's place of business. This plan and associated spray operation will work under stringent parameters to minimize the possibility of any off-site pesticide drift. Our intent is to spray these sites hydraulically this year and all our other environmentally sensitive locations will be sprayed with non-motorized low volume backpack sprayers. New sites may be added next year for potential hydraulic spraying. The board will be notified every year with a new list of sites that will be hydraulically sprayed. As always, MPS will treat its transmission R-O-W corridors using non-motorized low volume backpack sprayers.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at (207) 760-2557 or gnadeau@mainepublicservice.com.

Thank you,



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cc. Tom Kostenbader, Asplundh Tree Ex. Co.