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April 1, 2008

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SUBJECT: Notification of Approval of Corrected Lilly Pond TMDL

Dear Mr. Fisk:

Thank you for Maine's submittal of the corrected Lilly Pond Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) for total phosphorus. The Lilly Pond TMDL was initially approved by EPA on December 29, 2005 based on Maine's 2004 303(d) listing due to impaired primary contact recreational use from excessive nutrient loading from nonpoint source pollution.

Early in 2008, Maine DEP found a single error in the TMDL report's stated surface area of Lilly Pond (0.012 sq. km. instead of the actual 0.12 sq. km.). This error resulted in the need to correct the total phosphorus loading capacity (TMDL) from 1.67 kg/yr to 16.7 kg/yr, as well as other calculations in the report related to future development and phosphorus reduction needed. The numeric water quality target of 15 ppb total phosphorus remains unchanged. Maine DEP provided public notice of the error and a corrected report, and an opportunity for public comment.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) hereby approves Maine's March 26, 2008 Lilly Pond TMDL received by EPA electronically. EPA has determined that this TMDL meets the requirements of §303(d) of the Clean Water Act (CWA), and of EPA's implementing regulations (40 CFR Part 130). Attached is a copy of our approval documentation.

My staff and I look forward to continued cooperation with the ME DEP in exercising our shared responsibility of implementing the requirements under Section 303(d) of the CWA.

Sincerely,

Stephen S. Perkins, Director Office of Ecosystem Protection

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