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Mr. Mark London Martha's Vineyard Commission P.O. Box 1447 Oak Bluffs, MA 02557

RE: DRI Referral for Goodale Construction Co., Inc., 164 Edgartown-Vineyard Haven Road, Oak Bluffs, MA

Dear Mr. London:

The Board of Selectmen (the "Board") unanimously voted, on April 26, 2011, to refer to the Martha's Vineyard Commission ("MVC"), as a Development of Regional Impact, a change of use or expansion of commercial activities in the property off of Edgartown-Vineyard Road, Oak Bluffs, MA (the "property"). The property, which is a sand and gravel mining operation, concrete mixing and asphalt processing plant, and concrete and asphalt recycling operation, is presumably owned by Jeremy T. Goodale and his family. The registered agent is Margaret A. Goodale at 164 Edgartown-Vineyard Haven Road, Oak Bluffs, MA 02557 (the "owners").

The Board of Selectmen received letters and other communication from abutters to the operation indicating that the business was expanding or that significant tree cutting seems to indicate that significant expansion of the pit area was contemplated. Furthermore, the tree cutting described by the abutters and acknowledged by the owners at the Board of Selectmen's meeting appears to have occurred in an area identified as priority habitat by the Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Program of the Massachusetts Division of Fish and Wildlife.

Given those circumstances, the Board elected to refer the project as a discretionary referral under Sections 1.6 and 3.1(g) of the DRI Checklist. However, the Board wishes to make clear that it is not intending that the current operations be stopped or curtailed during the Commission's review process.

Please do not hesitate to call with any questions.

Very truly yours,

Michael Dutton

cc: Ronald H. Rappaport, Esq.