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August 4, 2016

Kevin Johnson, Superintendent  
Oak Bluffs Water District  
P.O. Box 1297  
Oak Bluffs, MA 02557

Re: Oak Bluffs  
PWS Name: Oak Bluffs Water District  
PWS ID: #4221000  
Program: revised Solar Certification with Conditions,  
4 Alwardt Way

Dear Mr. Johnson:

The Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection's Drinking Water Program has completed the review of the revised plan that was submitted on July 14, 2016.

Based on the information submitted on *Site Plan in Oak Bluffs, Massachusetts Prepared for the Oak Bluffs Water District*, revised July 13, 2016, the Drinking Water Program grants approval for the solar project pursuant to its authority under M.G.L. Chapters 40 and 111 and 310 CMR 22.00 with the following conditions that were originally issued on May 31, 2016.

- There will be no installation of solar panels within the Zone I (400 feet) and no tree clearing within 300 feet of the public wells. The tree stumps, cut close to ground level, will remain in place in the Zone I as described in a letter from Bristol Engineering Advisors, Inc., dated May 13, 2016.
- Any surface water runoff must be directed away from the wells.
- The installation of solar panels must not interfere with access to distribution lines for the public water system.
- The Oak Bluffs Water District will work out a notification system to ensure that they are aware at least 48 hours in advance of any maintenance, inspections, grass cutting, etc., by contractors.
- The Oak Bluffs Water District will provide emergency contact information to all contractors.
- The use of fertilizers and herbicides, or other pesticides, is prohibited.
- Equipment and vehicles are to be refueled, maintained and cleaned off-site.

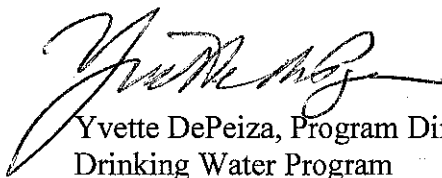
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- All conditions noted in the Certification Form signed by Kevin Johnson on behalf of the Oak Bluffs Water District on February 11, 2016 are in effect.
- If the scope of the project, its installation or operation differs substantially from the submitted and certified proposal, you must notify the Drinking Water Program in writing prior to the installation to determine if a review is necessary.

The Drinking Water Program's review of this proposed project is strictly limited to compliance with M.G.L. Chapters 40 and 111 and 310 CMR 22.00. You are advised to consult your legal counsel to determine whether approval under Article 97 of the Massachusetts Constitution, or other local or state permits or approvals, may be required for this project.

Sincerely,



Yvette DePeiza, Program Director  
Drinking Water Program

cc: Richard Rondeau, MassDEP DWP Chief, SERO  
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