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Silver Spring, Maryland 20910

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Ms. Kathleen Leyden Director Maine Coastal Program State Planning Office State House Station 38 184 State Street Augusta, ME 04333-0038

Dear Ms. Leyden:

Thank you for your September 28, 2005, request to update and clarify references to the list of activities subject to federal consistency review. You specifically requested that these program changes be incorporated as routine program changes per Section 307 of the Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA), 16 U.S.C. §1456(c)(3)(A), the Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management (OCRM)'s implementing regulations, 15 C.F.R. Part 930 Subpart D, as well as OCRM's Program Change Guidance (July 8, 1996).

Based on our review of your submission, we concur with your determination that the updates to the list of activities you have noted are routine program changes as they provide technical and editorial clarification of current license or permit activities subject to consistency review pursuant to the Maine Coastal Program. These changes do not add any new listed activities or describe new locations.

Federal Consistency will apply to the approved changes only after you publish notice of this approval pursuant to 15 C.F.R. section 923.84(b)(4). Please include in the public notice the list of updated references to the list of activities provided in this letter, and please send a copy of the notice to OCRM.

Thank you for your cooperation in this review. Please contact Bill O'Beirne at (301)713-3155 extension 160, if you have any questions.

Sincerely

John R. King

Chief

