Minutes Executive Committee Meeting Massachusetts Clean Water Trust

DATE: February 3, 2016 **START TIME:** 1:40 p.m.

PLACE: 3 Center Plaza, Suite 430 **NOTICE:** Due public notice given

MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE -

PRESENT: Sue Perez, Executive Director of the Trust

Rachel Madden, Director of Finance & Administration of the Trust Steve McCurdy, Director of Program Development of the Trust

ALSO PRESENT: Bernard Greene, Senior Legal Counsel of the Trust

Joe Delaney, Department of Environmental Protection

Nate Keenan, Deputy Director of the Trust

James MacDonald, First Deputy Treasurer and Treasurer Designee

to Trust Board

SUMMARY OF DISCUSSIONS (INCLUDING DECISIONS MADE/ACTIONS TAKEN/ VOTES):

- 1. Cape Cod Commission. The Committee discussed the request from the Cape Cod Commission for additional funding from the Trust. The original request for \$3 million has been reduced to \$750,000 \$1 million. The Commission states that this amount would cover the technical assistance needed to assist communities to prepare water quality management plans to address the nutrient degradation of their local watershed waters. There was discussion of how the Trust and DEP could develop a common approach to the Commission regarding this request. Mr. MacDonald asked the Committee to develop questions on information that is still needed to help them develop that common approach. The answers to these questions would also help the Trust in making a judgment on the level of additional financial support it would offer to the Commission.
- 2. <u>Falmouth.</u> Mr. Keenan reported on developments in Falmouth concerning the wind turbine projects. He and Ms. Perez had discussions with town officials and the town attorney on the phone regarding the wind turbine projects and the legal status of proceedings regarding Wind I, which was not financed by the Trust. Their discussion topics also included a letter sent to Falmouth by the Trust on April 2, 2013 regarding Wind II, which was financed by the Trust with American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds.
- 3. <u>Upper Blackstone</u>. Mr. McCurdy thanked the Treasurer Deborah Goldberg and Lieutenant Governor Karyn Polito for attending the event at which the projects on

the 2016 IUP were announced. The event was held at the Upper Blackstone Water Pollution Abatement District in Millbury on January 26. In addition to Treasurer Goldberg and Lt. Governor Polito, EEA Secretary Matthew Beaton, DEP Commissioner Martin Suuberg, and EPA regional administrator Curt Spalding attended.

The meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

Approved: May 18, 2016