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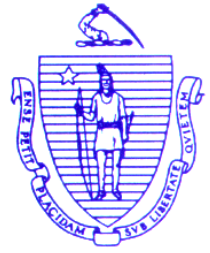
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June 20, 2019

To the Select Boards and Mayors of the following municipalities:
Gloucester, Ipswich, Newbury, Newburyport, Rockport, Rowley, Salisbury

Ladies & Gentlemen:

The Division of Marine Fisheries has determined that certain shellfish from the below-defined areas contain **Paralytic Shellfish Poison** toxin (also known as "Red Tide") from the dinoflagellate *Alexandrium sp.*

Therefore, under authority of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 130, Section 74A and 75, the status of the below-defined areas has been changed to **CLOSED TO THE TAKING OF BLUE MUSSELS, OCEAN QUAHOGS AND CARNIVOROUS SNAILS effective at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, June 20, 2019.** Digging, harvesting, or collecting, and/or attempting to dig, harvest or collect the above-listed shellfish and the possession of the above-listed shellfish, including carnivorous snails, from the below-defined areas is prohibited.

Under authority of 322 CMR 7.01(7) all permits issued thereunder are hereby conditioned to prohibit the taking, selling or possession of shellfish from the below-defined areas.

AREAS CLOSED TO THE HARVEST OF BLUE MUSSELS, OCEAN QUAHOGS AND CARNIVOROUS SNAILS

N:1 – N:6, N8, N:10– N14

The waters, flats and tributaries in shellfish growing areas N:1, N:2, N:3, N:4, N:5, N:6, N:8, N:10, N:11, N:12, N:13 and N:14 in the cities and towns of Gloucester, Ipswich, Newbury, Newburyport, Rockport, Rowley, and Salisbury.

Sincerely,

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